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Zone 1

Report of the Zonal Director

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Dear EU Officials and Delegates,
here is my report of Zone 1 activity for 2016.

In 2016 we have known the winner of the European Team Championship.
9th European Champion is the team of Russia. Congratulations !

Financial Matters

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European Team Championships

The Final of the 9th E.T.C. started on 10th June 2014 with 13 teams.

On 1st August 2017 2 games are still ongoing, 622 finished.

Russia is the winner of the EU/TC/final followed by Slovenia and Italy.

Even though Russia, Slovenia and Italy have still one game to finish, the first 3 places will not change as Slovenia has a better team result than Italy (7.3 tie breaking rule) in the event Italy wins his last game and Slovenia loses his final game.

The Final of the 10th E.T.C. started on 1st June 2017 with the following teams:

Estonia, Slovenia, Poland, England, Switzerland, Portugal, Spain, Romania, Czech republic, France, Italy, Russia and Germany.

On 1st August 2017, 27 game are finished and 597 ongoing.

TD for EU T.C. Finals is IA Thed Klauner from Luxembourg.

11 th European Team Championship - Semifinal

Start: 1st June 2017

Teams: 32

Games: 1240

FG: 74 (6 %)

RG: 1166

Exchange player: 3 times, (teams GER, FRA and BEL)

TD for EU T.C. Semi-Finals is IA Karel Glaser from Czech Republic.

European Individual Championships

Finals

The **69th European Individual Championship, Final** started on 12/15/2015.

On Aug 7, 99 games are finished and 6 games are ongoing.

TD for 69th EU I.C. Final is IA Valery Myakutin from Russia.

The **70th European Individual Championship, Final** will be played by post.

This event is scheduled to start on **15 September 2017** with 15 players.

TD for 70th EU I.C. Final is IA Joop Jansen from Netherlands.

Candidate's Tournament

In the **EU WS Championship 2015, Candidates' Tournament 01**, on Aug 19, 102 games are finished and 3 games are ongoing.

In the **EU WS Championship 2015, Candidates' Tournament 03**, on Aug 7, 104 games are finished and 1 game is ongoing. Lobanov, Evgeny Vasilievich (RUS, ID 141196) is the winner with 9 points. Batrakov, Aleksandr Pavlovich (RUS, ID 141633) took second place with 9 points.

Five EU WS Championship 2016, Candidates' Tournaments started on 3/15/2016.

In the **EU WS Championship 2016, Candidates' Tournament 01**, on Aug 7, 73 games are finished and 5 games are ongoing.

In the **EU WS Championship 2016, Candidates' Tournament 02**, on Aug 7, 75 games are finished and 3 games are ongoing. Sommerbauer, Norbert (AUT, ID 10226) is the winner with 7 points. Joppich, Ulrich (GER, ID 84965) took second place with 7 points.

In the **EU WS Championship 2016, Candidates' Tournament 03**, on Aug 7, 76 games are finished and 2 games are ongoing. Balshaw, Anthony (WLS, ID 210855) is the winner.

In the **EU WS Championship 2016, Candidates' Tournament 04**, on Aug 7, 71 games are finished and 7 games are ongoing.

Five EU WS Championship 2017, Candidates' Tournaments started on 3/15/2017.

In the **EU WS Championship 2017, Candidates' Tournament 01**, on Aug 7, 22 games are finished and 33 games are ongoing.

In the **EU WS Championship 2017, Candidates' Tournament 02**, on Aug 7, 21 games are finished and 34 games are ongoing.

In the **EU WS Championship 2017, Candidates' Tournament 03**, on Aug 7, 6 games are finished and 49 games are ongoing.

In the **EU WS Championship 2017, Candidates' Tournament 04**, on Aug 7, 20 games are finished and 35 games are ongoing.

In the **EU WS Championship 2017, Candidates' Tournament 05**, on Aug 7, 19 games are finished and 36 games are ongoing.

TD for EU I.C. Candidate's Tournament is IA Valery Myakutin from Russia
In section 1/2015 TD is IA Marco Caressa from Italy.

New European server and postal Championship

EU WS SF: 18 tournaments in 2014, 14 in 2015, 12 in 2016

EU WS PR: 34 tournaments in 2014, 27 in 2015, 27 in 2016, 16 in 2017 till now

EU WS OR: 66 tournaments in 2014, 49 in 2015, 62 in 2016 31 in 2017 till now

EU PO SF: 9 tournaments in 2014, 4 in 2015, 6 in 2016, 5 in 2017 till now

EU PO OR: 21 tournaments in 2014, 9 in 2015, 7 in 2017 till now

Old EU Promotional Tournaments

Only a postal Open is still running.

Thor Løvholt Memorial

The 2nd Thor Løvholt Memorial Team Tournament Final was started in October 2015. Eleven National Federations are taking part having qualified from earlier held preliminary groups.

At July 24, 328 out of 330 games have been completed. Belarus are currently leading the tournament with Ukraine in second place.

The current cross-table is reproduced below.

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Score	%	+/-	Team results	FG	RG	Place
Belarus	2296		2	2.5	3	4	4.5	3	3.5	4.5	3.5	5	35.5	59	11	14	60	0	1
Ukraine	2229	4		3	3	2.5	3.5	3	3.5	4	4.5	4	35	60	12	15	58	2	2
Austria	2279	3.5	3		2.5	3.5	3	3	4	4	4.5	3.5	34.5	57	9	15	60	0	3
Germany	2278	3	3	3.5		3.5	4	4	3	2.5	3.5	4	34	56	8	15	60	0	4
Turkey	2198	2	2.5	2.5	2.5		3	3.5	3.5	3	4	4	30.5	51	2	10	59	1	5
Slovenia	2185	1.5	2.5	3	2	3		2.5	3.5	4	4	3	29	48	-2	9	60	0	6
England	2281	3	2	3	2	2.5	3.5		3	3.5	2.5	3.5	28.5	48	-2	9	59	1	7
Switzerland	2248	2.5	2.5	2	3	2.5	2.5	3		3	2.5	3	26.5	44	-7	4	60	0	8
Sweden	2245	1.5	2	2	3.5	3	2	2.5	3		3	3.5	26	43	-8	7	60	0	9
Bulgaria	2191	2.5	1.5	1.5	2.5	2	2	3.5	3.5	3		3	25	41	-10	6	60	0	10
Italy	2241	1	2	2.5	2	2	3	2.5	3	2.5	3		23.5	39	-13	3	60	0	11

TO and TD for this event is IA Ian M Pheby










European Team Postal Cup

European National Teams Postal Cup was started in December 2015. Nine National Federations are taking part in tournament.

On July 27, 91 out of 144 games have been completed (63%).

Italy and France are currently leading the tournament (13 points – 61%) with Germany in the third place (12 points – 70%).

The current cross-table is reproduced below.

			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Score	%	+/-	Team results	FG	RG	Place
1	 Italy	2339		1.5	0.5	2.5	0.5	2	2.5	3	0.5	13	61	5	7	21	11	1
2	 France	2260	1.5		1.5	1	2.5	0.5	2.5	1.5	2	13	61	5	5	21	11	2
3	 Germany	2387	0.5	1.5		2	1	1	3	2	1	12	70	7	4	17	15	3
4	 Sweden	2414	1.5	1	1		2.5	1	1.5	2	0.5	11	47	-1	3	23	9	4
5	 Netherlands	2192	1.5	1.5	0	1.5		0.5	2	1	2	10	47	-1	2	21	11	5
6	 Russia	2413	1	0.5	1	1	1.5		2.5	1.5	0.5	9.5	59	3	2	16	16	6
7	 Czech Republic	2252	1.5	0.5	0	1.5	1	0.5		2.5	0.5	8	31	-9	2	25	7	7
8	 Finland	2315	0	0.5	1	2	1	0.5	1.5		1	7.5	32	-8	1	23	9	8
9	 Spain	2093	0.5	1	0	0.5	1	0.5	1.5	2		7	46	-1	1	15	17	9

TO Sergey Grodzenskiy (IA)

TD Mariusz Wojnar (IA)

European Postal Cup (for club teams)

European Postal Cup Final was started in March 2016.

Nine teams are having qualified from earlier held preliminary groups. Six teams are taking part in tournament.

On July 27, 89 out of 120 games have been completed (74%).

Germany B are currently leading the tournament (17.5 points – 67%) with Vitiazzi (Russia, 17 points – 62%) in the second place and Germany A in the third place (17 points – 68%).

The current cross-table is reproduced below.

			1	2	3	4	5	6	Score	%	+/-	Team results	FG	RG	Place
1	Germany B	2237		2	2.5	5	3	5	17.5	67	9	4	26	14	1
2	Vitiazzi	2354	1		2	4.5	5	4.5	17	62	7	6	27	13	2
3	Germany A	2363	2.5	2		5	2	5.5	17	68	9	4	25	15	3
4	Veterans	2307	1	2.5	1		4.5	4	13	39	-7	3	35	5	4
5	Allegra Compagnia Alekhine	2084	1	2	2	3.5		4	12.5	41	-5	1	30	10	5
6	White Rose Lions	2170	3	1.5	0.5	2	3		10	30	-13	0	35	5	6

TO Sergey Grodzenskiy (IA)

TD Wojciech Krzyzanovski (IA)

Chess 960 Team Cup for Europe

The Second Chess 960 European Team Cup Semifinals were started in February 2017. The current cross-tables are reproduced below.

Semifinal 1

Six teams are taking part in tournament.





On July 27, 56 out of 120 games have been completed (47%).

			1	2	3	4	5	6	Score	%	+/-	Team results	FG	RG	Place
1	Poland	2208		3	2	1	3	5	14	63	6	2	22	18	1
2	Luxembourg	2391	3		2	0.5	1	6	12.5	59	4	2	21	19	2
3	Germany	2401	2	2		1.5	1.5	5	12	66	6	2	18	22	3
4	Ukraine	2420	2	1.5	1.5		0	4.5	9.5	73	6	2	13	27	4
5	Turkey	1980	1	1	0.5	0		3	5.5	45	-1	0	12	28	5
6	England	2170	0	1	0	0.5	1		2.5	9	-21	0	26	14	6

Semifinal 2

Six teams are taking part in tournament.

On July 27, 69 out of 120 games have been completed (57.5%).

			1	2	3	4	5	6	Score	%	+/-	Team results	FG	RG	Place
1	 Slovenia	2406		4	2.5	3	7	5	21.5	69	12	5	31	9	1
2	 France	2395	4		2.5	3	3	3	15.5	59	5	1	26	14	2
3	 Russia	2416	2.5	2.5		1.5	4	3	13.5	71	8	1	19	21	3
4	 Italy	2145	1	2	0.5		4	2	9.5	52	1	1	18	22	4
5	 Spain	2058	1	0	0	1		4	6	25	-12	1	24	16	5
6	 Wales	2223	1	2	0	0	0		3	15	-14	0	20	20	6

TO Sergey Grodzenskiy (IA)

TD Andrey Pavlikov (IA)

Friendly match “One country vs Rest of Europe”

As it was agreed such a match “One country vs Rest of Europe” would be organized annually.

Match “Italy vs Rest of Europe” started on 07.03.2015 on 127 boards. Europe has won the match, final score is 145 : 109 .

Match “Czech Republic vs Rest of Europe” started on 31.12.2015 on 119 boards. Czech Republic has won the match, current score is 127 : 104 .

Match “Poland vs Rest of Europe” started on 15.12.2016 on 70 boards. Poland leads the match, current score is 50 : 45 .

This year we are going to organize a match “France vs Rest of Europe”.

The match is to be started in October 2017. TD Carlos Cranbourne (ARG).

Future events :

The Final of 71st EU IC (WS) is scheduled to start in December 2017.

Proposals

No proposals received.

Finally, I'd like to thank all the friends who actively worked in European Zone Executive Board, all Tournament Directors and webmaster.

Thank you all.

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Zonal Director for Europe

Sergey Grodzenskiy
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