

# ICCF Congress 2016 Bremen, Germany

# **Report of the Finance Director**

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Dear friends and delegates

Happily I am able to join you all again!

#### 1. ICCF Financial Accounts 2015

Delegates are requested to note the audited Financial Accounts for 2015 contained within the document "ICCF Accounts 2015" distributed separately. Delegates are also requested to note the deficit for the year of 27,421.68 EUR resulting in a reduction to the Capital Account to 247,766.92 EUR. Delegates are respectfully requested to approve these Accounts.

Delegates are also requested to note also that the deficit recorded during 2015 is higher by some 17,992 EUR than that anticipated in the Financial Plan for 2015, (9,430 EUR). Income received during 2015 rose by 6,419.62 EUR (some 8%) over the previous year and Expenditure over the same period fell by 4,143.81 EUR (3.51%). (A deficit of 37,985.11 EUR, some 23,855 EUR more than anticipated, was recorded during 2014).

Delegates should also note some important details arising from these Accounts:

1. As stated, Income rose by 6,419.62 (8%) over the previous year as Entry Fees for Individual events rose by 9,265.29 EUR (20.3%). Olympiad 21 was deferred to 2016 but the most recent cycle of the Champions League was commenced. Fees received in respect of events organised by Member Federations and Zones however fell by 3,770.50 EUR (18%). Bank interest fell by 4,057.57 EUR but a "one-off" contribution of 5,000 EUR towards costs of Server Development by Zone 1 was received. Despite the increase from the previous year overall Income was 10,548 EUR less than that anticipated in the Financial Plan.

2. As stated, Expenditure was 4,143.81 less than in the previous year but 7,444 EUR more than anticipated in the Financial Plan.

#### 2. ICCF Tournament Fees

Delegates will recollect that selective reductions to Tournament entry fees were approved at last year's Congress and implemented from 1 January 2016. These followed more substantial and wide-ranging reductions approved at the 2013 Congress in Krakow.

In view of these reductions I consider it to be prudent to wait until next year when the effects of the reductions implemented from 1 January 2016 may be evaluated.

#### 3. "Free Entries" at Discretion of Zone Directors

I am pleased to report a significant increase in these entries whereby Zone Directors are each annually allocated 20 discretionary entries "free of charge" in order to seek to encourage increased activities within their Zones. Whilst only 3 such entries were submitted during 2014, a total of 30 entries were submitted during 2015 (Zone 1 - 5, Zone 2 - 15, Zone 3 - 6 and Zone 4 - 4).

In view of this very considerable increase delegates may wish that this scheme be permitted to continue.

#### 4. ICCF Fees per Annual Statement of Accounts

As a condition of ICCF membership all Member Federations are obliged to arrange prompt payment of the membership fees and tournament charges imposed as per the Annual Statement of Accounts. I am pleased to report to Congress that, with 2 exceptions, all fees due for 2014 were paid timeously and that to date (2 July) only 3 Federations have yet make payment in respect of fees for 2015.

I regret to advise however that, despite receiving several reminders, the Federation for Tunisia has yet to make any payment in respect of fees for 2014 and 2015. In accordance with Article 17 of the ICCF Statutes the ICCF General Secretary now wish to recommend to Delegates that the membership of the Tunisian Federation now be suspended (Voting rights and tournament entry entitlements will be withdrawn and restored only if and when outstanding fees are paid. Tunisian players may continue to submit entries using the Direct Entry System.) Should these fees remain unpaid by the time of the 2017 Congress then the Tunisian Federation may be expelled.

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	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	
	Postal Entries							
World Ch.Final		1						
World Ch. Cand.								
World Ch. SF.		13						
World Ch. Prelim.								
World - Master	57	45	29	30	38	25	24	
World - Higher	28	13	18	20	27	29	16	
World - Open	58	36	36	48	35	37	28	
Olympiads			24					
World Cup			99					
Thematics	46	50	43	30	41	30	27	
MN Events	13	14						
	202	172	249	128	141	121	95	

### Appendix A – <u>Summary of Postal Entries</u>

## Appendix B – Summary of Server Entries

	2012		2013			2014			2015			
	NF	DE	Total									
World Ch. Final			0			0			0			0
World Ch. Cand.	48	0	48	49	3	52	37	7	44	34	11	45
World Ch. SF.	136	7	143	138	5	143	98	19	117	101	20	121
World Ch. Prelim.	199	26	225	175	12	187	165	30	195	113	43	156
Ladies Olympiad										12	0	12
Ladies WCh. SF.							30	0	30			0
World - Master	435	149	584	406	167	573	372	172	544	350	202	552
World - Higher	242	129	371	249	157	406	169	160	329	189	177	366
World - Open	309	329	638	347	458	805	231	314	545	228	343	571
World - Aspirers				11	24	35	129	46	175	36	138	174
Olympiads	46		46			0			0			0
World Cup			0	719	282	1001	0	0	0	620	308	928
Thematics	109	70	179	112	70	182	92	70	162	149	85	234
Master Norm	123	60	183	141	68	209	117	66	183	96	60	156
GM Norm	34	18	52	23	29	52	27	39	66	30	22	52
Ch. League	179	46	225			0			0	115	47	162
Vets. WC	378	90	468	446	96	542	331	84	415	456	149	605
Junior WC	0	0	0			0			0			0
WS Open	423	215	638			0	586	383	969			0
Chess 960 WC							61	39	100	51	46	97
Chess 960	6	14	20	53	34	87	29	21	50	21	29	50
	2,667	1,153	3,820	2,869	1,405	4,274	2,474	1,450	3,924	2,601	1,680	4,281

Total Entries Received - ICCF & Zone Events										
	ICCF	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	TOTAL				
2013	4,418	173	13	219	66	4,889				
2014	4,045	347	0	299	70	4,761				
2015	4,281	317	124	243	58	5,023				

### Appendix C – Entries to Individual Events (Server & Postal)