

The ACO World Senior Chess Championship 2018 takes place from 15th to 24th October 2018 on the greek island Crete as an open tournament. Any player who reaches the age of 50 years by 31st of December 2018 can represent his country and become World Senior Champion in his rating group!

Accommodation for all players and accompanying persons:

Venue is the award winning 5-star All Inclusive Fodele Beach Resort. The playing hall is located inside the hotel. Elevators are available. More information and impressions will follow on the next pages.

Division of groups:

The tournament is played in the following rating groups:

- Group A: 2201+
- Group B: 2001 – 2200
- Group C: 1801 – 2000
- Group D: 1601 – 1800
- Group E: 1401 – 1600
- Group F: 1201 – 1400
- Group G: 0 (unrated) – 1200

Every group plays separately meaning you only play opponents of similar playing strength in your group. For the division of groups we consider your ELO/national rating at the moment of registration. For players having both an ELO-rating and a national rating, the higher rating counts. In exceptional cases the organizer decides on written application of the participant.

Mode and time control:

9 rounds Swiss System.

Rate of play:

90 minutes for 40 moves + 15 minutes for the rest of the game with an increment of 30 sec per move starting from move 1. Default time: 30 min.

Starting fee (only for players)

50 EUR

Prizes: 5.000 EUR (based on 100 entries)

Group A

2201 – 2400

1st place: 500 EUR
2nd place: 200 EUR
3rd place: 100 EUR

Group B

2001 – 2200

1st place: 400 EUR
2nd place: 200 EUR
3rd place: 100 EUR

Group C

1801 – 2000

1st place: 400 EUR
2nd place: 200 EUR
3rd place: 100 EUR

Group D

1601 – 1800

1st place: 400 EUR
2nd place: 200 EUR
3rd place: 100 EUR

Group E

1401 – 1600

1st place: 400 EUR
2nd place: 200 EUR
3rd place: 100 EUR

Group F

1201 – 1400

1st place: 400 EUR
2nd place: 200 EUR
3rd place: 100 EUR

Group G

0 – 1200

1st place: 400 EUR
2nd place: 200 EUR
3rd place: 100 EUR

1st place of each rating group becomes ACO World Senior Champion. Places 1-3 receive trophies.

Tournament Rules and Regulations:

The ACO cannot provide any conditions for titled players. All players and accompanying persons are obliged to stay in the official hotel. All booking must be made directly through the ACO.

Weather:

The temperatures in October are mild and sunny with temperatures up to 25 degrees. October is considered to be one the most beautiful months.

Extra nights:

If you wish to arrive prior to the event or want to extend your stay in the hotel, please send us an email to senior@amateurchess.com

Transfer from the airport:

The hotel is 25 minutes away from the airport. The costs for a taxi are ca. 20 EUR.

Schedule ACO World Senior Chess Championship 2018

15th - 24th October 2018

Monday	15.10.		Day of arrival
		From 18:00 hrs	Registration
Tuesday	16.10.	09:00 hrs	Pairings
		09:30 hrs	Opening
		10:00 hrs	Round 1
		18:30 hrs	Blitz tournament
Wednesday	17.10.	10:00 hrs	Round 2
		16:00 hrs	Round 3
Thursday	18.10.	10:00 hrs	Round 4
		16:00 hrs	Grandmaster lecture
		18:00 hrs	Team blitz event

Friday	19.10.	10:00 hrs	Round 5
		16:00 hrs	Round 6
Saturday	20.10.		Free day
Sunday	21.10.	10:00 hrs	Round 7
		16:00 hrs	Grandmaster lecture
		18:30 hrs	Grandmaster simul
Monday	22.10.	10:00 hrs	Round 8
		18:30 hrs	Blitz tournament
Tuesday	23.10.	10:00 hrs	Round 9
		18:00 hrs	Prize giving ceremony
Wednesday	24.10.		Departure

Die Teilnahme am Rahmenprogramm wie Blitzturnier, Vorträgen, Simultan etc. ist freiwillig.



Price list 5-star All-Inclusive Fodele Beach Resort 9 nights All-Inclusive

All prices per person	Registration until 15th June 2018	Registration until 15th July 2018	Registration until 15th August 2018	Registration from 16th August 2018
Double room standard	699 EUR	749 EUR	799 EUR	849 EUR
Double room sea view	799 EUR	849 EUR	899 EUR	949 EUR
Single room standard	999 EUR	1049 EUR	1099 EUR	1149 EUR
Single room sea view	1099 EUR	1149 EUR	1199 EUR	1249 EUR

Further room categories such as suites, family rooms (2 adults + 1 child or 2 adults + 2 children) etc. on request: senior@amateurchess.com

The following services are included in the price

- **9 overnight stays**

in 5-star All-Inclusive Fodele Beach Resort

- **All inclusive**

Breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks, unlimited drinks (alcoholic and non-alcoholic)

- **Private hotel beach**

- **Free internet**

- **Side program**

Blitz tournament, simul etc.

For further question please contact us: senior@amateurchess.com

Notes about registration

- Due to space limitations the number of players in the tournament is limited.
- To guarantee a place the hotel recommends an registration before 15th of June.

Registration form

ACO World Senior Chess Championship 2018

Organizer: Amateur Chess Organization GmbH, Cannstatterstr.13, 71394 Kernen, Germany

Step 1: Fill out this form (one form per person, also accompanying persons)

Fill out this form and send it either by email to: kos@amateurchess.com
by fax to: 0049 7151 910221

Step 2: Confirmation

You will receive a confirmation from ACO of the tournament and for your hotel booking

Step 3: Transfer money

Transfer the **initial payment of 20% of the total amount**
free of bank charges, to following bank account:

Bank:	Postbank
SWIFT/BIC:	PBNKDEFF
IBAN:	DE65 6001 0070 0951 5937 03
Address of bank:	70148 Stuttgart, Germany
Beneficiary:	Amateur Chess Organization GmbH
Reason for transfer:	Seniors, Your name

The remaining amount has to be transferred till 17th September 2018.

To register, please tick the following box:

Yes, I agree to the below terms and conditions (on the next two pages)

Please indicate if you are a:

Player **Rating:** _____

Accompanying person

Date, Signature

Last name: _____

First name: _____

Country: _____

Date of birth: _____

Address: _____

How did you hear about us?

If so, with whom are you sharing the room?

Please choose your accommodation

(tick the box on the right)

Fodele Beach Resort (15th -24th October 2018) registration until 15th June	Price per person	Price per room	
Double room standard	699 EUR	1398 EUR	<input type="checkbox"/>
Double room sea view	799 EUR	1598 EUR	<input type="checkbox"/>
Single room standard		999 EUR	<input type="checkbox"/>
Single room sea view		1099 EUR	<input type="checkbox"/>

General Business Terms For Travel Contracts

The following terms will come into effect when agreed upon the content of this travel contract between the client and us (the tour operator). They will add the lawful clauses of §§ 651a-m BGB (Civil Law Code) as well as the information guidelines for tour operators according to §§ 4-11 BGB-InfoV (regulations for information and obligation to produce proof according to civil law code) and fill those in.

1. Conclusion of travel contract / Client obligations

1.1

By booking (registering) the client offers us binding conclusion of the travel contract. The basis of this offer are the travel tender as well as our additional information for each respective tour as far as this is available to the client.

1.2

Travel agent (such as tourist office and service provider (such as hotels, shipping company) are not entitled to make agreements, disclose information or issue warranties which change the agreed upon content of this travel contract or to offer additional services outside those agreed upon or in disagreement with this tour tender.

1.3

We are not bound by place and hotel brochures, as well as internet tenders which were not issued by us, unless they were expressly declared to be agreed upon by the client, or became the content of our duty to perform.

1.4

The booking may be made orally, in writing, via phone, via telefax or via digital means (e-mail, internet). We will immediately confirm reception of booking with electronic bookings. This confirmation of receipt does not constitute acceptance of booking agreements yet.

1.5

The client is bound by all contract duties for those travelling with him, if he has issued booking for them. He is also bound by all contract duties for himself, as long as he has expressly and separately declared his duty to do so.

1.6

The contract becomes binding once access to our declaration of acceptance has been made possible. This is not bound by any particular form. During or right after completion of contract, we will send written confirmation to the client. We are not bound by this if the booking by the client was made less than 7 days prior to the start of the tour. Special wishes and registrations are only valid if they are confirmed by the host in written form.

1.7

If the content of our declaration of acceptance deviates from the content of the booking, then this is considered a new offer by us, to which we are bound for the duration of 10 days. The contract will be based on the basis of this new offer, if the client issues acceptance through express declaration, deposit or final payment.

2. Payment

2.1

To secure client money insolvency insurance will be made.

2.2

After completing the contract, a deposit of 20% of the travel price will become due. The deposit will be redounded to the cost of the tour. The rest of the payment must be made at least 28 days prior to the beginning of the tour (declaration of reception of payment), as long as the insurance certificate has been handed over and the journey can no longer be cancelled due to the reason stated in Nr.7. Payments have to be made based on the bill number stated on the travel confirmation agreement.

2.3

If the client fails to make deposit or payment until the agreed upon payment dates, then we are entitled to step back from the travel contract after admonition and to debit the client with any associated costs according to Nr. 5.2 Sentence 2 until 5.5. Without full payment of the tour price, there is no claim for a fulfilment of the tour services.

3. Changes Of Service

3.1

Changes of essential tour services of the agreed upon content of the travel contract, which become necessary after making the conclusion of contract and are not brought about against belief or faith are only permitted if the changes are not severe and they do not inhibit the overall terms of the tour.

3.2

Eventual warranty demands remain untouched, as long as the changed services are not subject to deficiencies.

3.3

We are bound to inform the client about essential changes of services immediately after determining the reason of change.

3.4

In the case of a severe change of any essential tour services, the client is able to step back from the tour contract or to demand participation in a tour of at least the same value, if we are able to offer such a tour without additional cost to the client from a selection of our offers. The client has to make these claims immediately after our declaration of changing the tour services or cancellation of the tour.

4. Client Resignation prior to begin of tour / Cancellation costs

4.1

The client can resign from the tour at any given time. The resignation has to be made in written form at our business address of Cannstatter Straße 13, 71394 Kernen, Germany. It is recommended to make this declaration in written form.

4.2

If the client resigns prior to the beginning of the tour, or if he does not enter the tour, then we will lose claim over the price of the tour. If the resignation cannot be justified or is a case of an act of nature, we may demand appropriate compensation for all travel preparations or expenses in connection with the tour costs prior to the tour.

4.3

We have tiered compensation claims in a chronological way, according to consideration of the proximity of date of the resignation compared to the agreed upon tour start. This is done in percentual relation compared to the cost of the journey. During the calculation of the compensation possible additional usage of the travel services will be taken into account. The compensation is calculated after the date of reception of the declaration agreement. This occurs in the following way:

Until 31 days prior to tour start 25%

starting from 30 to 25 days prior to tour start 40%

starting from 24 to 18 days prior to tour start 50%

starting from 17 to 11 days prior to tour start 60%

starting from 10 to 4 days prior to tour start 80%

starting from the 3rd day prior to tour start up until the start of tour or if tour is not entered 90% of the price of the tour.

4.4

Under these circumstances, the client has to prove, that no damage or less damage than expected came about than the flat fee that was demanded by him. We remain the right to demand higher and concrete compensation as long as we can prove that the damage incurred was higher than the respective and applicable flat fee. In this case we are bound to make available the demanded compensation with consideration of the saved expenses as well as other usage of the travel services. The lawful right of the client, to find a suitable replacement according to § 651 b BGB is not touched due to these terms.

5. Change Of Reservation

5.1

Client claims after completion of contract concerning the tour date, tour destination, the accommodation and type of transportation will not go into effect. If a client chooses to change their reservation, we will demand a EUR 50.00 fee in order to process the change.

5.2

Changes of reservation by the client which are made more than 30 days prior to start of the tour may only be carried out after stepping back from the travel contract according to Nr.4.2 to 4.4 and according to the terms mentioned there. In addition the client would need to register again for these changes to take effect if indeed they are plausible to make. This does not apply for changes of reservation which only cause minor costs.

6. Undrawn Services

If the client chooses not to utilize individual services which were offered to him, especially if this is due to reasons that were produced by him (such as premature return journey) then he will not be able to file claims on partial reimbursement of the tour cost. This duty is not applicable if the services concerned are irrelevant or if lawful or regulatory provisions have been made against them.

7. Resignation due to non achievement of a minimum number of participants

The minimum number of persons for the World Senior Chess Championship 2018 on Crete (15th-24th October 2018) is 70 persons (sum of players and accompanying persons until 1st of September 2018.)

We may only resign from the travel contract due to not achieving a minimum number of participants if:

- a) we specifically defined a minimum number of participants in our travel brochure as well as the date until which the client has to forward a declaration prior to the beginning of tours.
 - b) if the travel confirmation document specifically mentions the minimum amount of participants as well as the latest date for return, and reference is made to the appropriate data inside the tour announcement.
- Resignation has to be made apparent to the client at least 5 weeks prior to the agreed upon date of the tour. If at an earlier date it becomes apparent that the minimum number of participants will not be reached, then we will immediately be forced to utilize our right to resign. If the tour is not being carried out due to this reason, the client shall receive back all the tour payments he has thus far made. Any additional claims for compensation are ruled out.

8. Cancellation based on behavioral reasons

We may cancel the travel contract in compliance with our terms, if the client continues to disturb or if he decides to act against the terms issued in this document in such a way, that our cancellation can be justified. If we decide to cancel, we remain the right to keep the amount of the tour price; we must however calculate the value of any saved expenses, as well as those advantages which were not utilized as part of any alternative usage, including the amounts made by service providers.

9. Contribution duties of the client

9.1 Announcement of deficiencies

If the tour is not being delivered according to our terms, the client may demand remedy. The client is however bound to announce any deficiencies concerning the tour immediately. If the client fails to do so it becomes impossible to lower his tour price. This does not apply when the announcement is apparently pointless or is unacceptable for any other reasons. The client is bound to make his announcement to tour guides immediately upon arriving at destination. The client will be instructed on our description of services through our tour documents. The tour guides are instructed to ensure remedy if possible. They are however not entitled to recognize any claims filed by the client.

9.2 Setting deadlines and cancellations

If a client decides to cancel his travel contract due to important, recognizable or unreasonable circumstances, he must set an appropriate deadline to receive remedy according to § 615 c BGB. This does not apply when remedy is impossible or is being denied by us or the immediate cancellation of the contract becomes appropriate due to a recognizable client interest.

9.3 Travel documents

The client is bound to inform us, if the appropriate travel documents (such as hotel vouchers) are not received within the date range specified by us.

10. Limitation of liability

10.1

Our contractual liability for damages, excluding bodily harm, is limited to triple the tour price.

- a) as long as harm to the client was not caused on purpose or due to negligence or
- b) as long as the damages incurred to the client were merely due to the service provider.

10.2

Our delictual liability for damages which are not based on purposeful destruction or negligence, is limited to triple the tour price.

This highest amount of liability always accounts for client and journey. Any additional potential claims in connection with travel luggage are based on the treaty of Montreal and remain untouched by the limitations.

10.3

We are not responsible for disturbances of service, personnel or property damage, in connection with the service, which are merely being referred (such as tours, theater visits, exhibits) if these services are not expressly made apparent in the travel ad as well as the bookings confirmation and are not declared specifically as foreign services so that the client may recognize that they were not a part of our tour services. We are liable for

- a) services which concern the transport of the client from the stated beginning of the journey to the point of destination. Intermediate transportation during the tour as well as accommodation during the tour.
- b) if and as far as any damages of the client become apparent due to hints, investigation or organizational duties.

11. Exclusion from claims

Claims due to not receiving the tour as described in the contract must be filed within a month after the contractual start date of the end of the tour. The assertion can be made only towards us through our business address at Cannstatter Straße 13, 71394 Kernen. After expiration of deadline, the client may only make claims if he was not responsible for not being able to file the claims within the necessary time frame.

12. Lapse of time

12.1

Claims by the client according to §§ 651 c-f BGB based on injury of life, the body or health or such which are based on purposeful or negligent violation of duties through us or a lawful representative lapse within two years. This also concerns claims for the replacement of any additional damages, which are based on purposeful or negligent violations of duty caused by us or a lawful representative.

12.2

All other claims according to § 651 c-f BGB expire after one year.

12.3

Lapse of time according to Nr. 12.1 and 12.2 starts on the day which follows the day of the start of the tour.

12.4

If legal cases between us and the client exist due to claims being filed based on reasonable circumstances, then the usual lapse of time is inhibited until we or the client refuse the continuation of the legal case. The lapse of time occurs at the earliest date of 3 months after the inhibition.

13. Passport, visa and health regulations

13.1

We will instruct EU members within the respective country in which the tour is being offered, about any terms concerning passport, visa and health guidelines prior to completion of contract as well as any eventual changes prior to the start of the tour. For members of other nations the respective consulate is available for information. We are assuming that no oddities are apparent with regards to the client (such as double passports, statelessness).

13.2

The client is responsible for purchasing and carrying the lawfully required travel documents, any necessary vaccinations as well as adherence to any customs and currency laws. Disadvantages which result from now obeying these terms, such as the payment of resignation costs, must be paid by the client. This is not the case, if we have failed to inform the client appropriately.

13.3

We are not responsible for timely issuance and reception of the required visa through the respective diplomatic representatives, if the client has commissioned us with the purchase, unless we have violated our duties on purpose.

14. Choice of law and jurisdiction

14.1

The lawful relationship between us and the client is solely based on German law. This also accounts for all of the legal proceedings. Therefore only the Original German Version of this General Business Terms For Travel Contracts is legally binding.

14.2

If a client files claims or legal cases concerning the liability of the tour host against us abroad, this must be done based on German laws. Especially in regards to legal consequences, and particularly in the way, the amount and the size of the claims filed by the client, German law is applicable.

14.3

The client may only sue us within our jurisdiction.

14.4

For claims filed by us against the client, his current residence is decisive. For claims against our clients or contractual partners, entrepreneurs, lawful person of the public or private sector, who have their main residence abroad, or whose residence and usual residence during the time of the lawsuit is not know, our jurisdiction will be used.

14.5

The following terms about the choice of law and jurisdiction do not apply,

- a) if and insofar as contractual or negotiable terms based on international treaties, which are based on a travel contract between the client and the tour host, anything else results in favor of the client or
- b) if and insofar as may be applied to the travel contract, negotiable terms within the Eu state the client belongs to, are more favorable than the regulations within these terms or the applicable German laws.

Notification of cancellation due to acts of nature:

Cancellation of travel contracts must be referred to regulations within the BGB, which are as follows:

„§ 651 j;

- (1) If the journey is made severely difficult or impossible due to unforeseeable circumstances, the tour host as well as the participants may cancel the contract based on these terms.
- (2) If the contract is cancelled based on paragraph 1, then regulations from § 651 e paragraph 3 sentences 1 and 2, paragraph 4 sentence 1 is applicable. Additional charges for travelling back are to be half shared by each party. In addition all additional charges are to be made by the participant.”