









ANNOUNCEMENT

1. Organization:

A.O. Agria ATHLOS, in collaboration with the Chess Club "SACH" Thessaloniki and with the support of the Region of Thessaly, organizes the "AGRIA OPEN 2025", with national and international rating.

2. Playing Venue:

5* Hotel Valis Resort (https://valishotel.gr/) in Agria, Magnesia.

3. Mode - Groups:

Swiss Tournament of 7 rounds in 2 GROUPS

OPEN A: Chess players with Fide Int. Rating more than or equal to 1800

OPEN B: Chess players with Fide Int. Rating up to 1799.

4. Tournament Schedule:

| ROUND | DATE | TIME |
|------------------|------------|-------|
| 1 | 27.08.2025 | 18:00 |
| 2 | 28.08.2025 | 10:00 |
| 3 | 28.08.2025 | 18:00 |
| 4 | 29.08.2025 | 10:00 |
| BLITZ TOURNAMENT | 29.08.2025 | 18:00 |
| 5 | 30.08.2025 | 10:00 |
| 6 | 30.08.2025 | 18:00 |
| 7 | 31.08.2025 | 10:00 |
| CLOSING CEREMONY | 31.08.2025 | 15:00 |

5. Time Control:

Ninety (90) minutes for the whole game, plus thirty (30") seconds per move (from 1st move).



6. Entry Fees:

A Group

GM, IM, WGM, WIM: Free on entry fee Players with ELO 2300+: Free on entry fee Female players with ELO 2100+: Free on entry fee

Players with ELO 1800-2299: **€50**

B Group All Participants €40

Players with ELO 1600-1799 who wish to compete in Group A can do so, by paying the entry fees for both groups (\le 50 + \le 40 = 90 \le).

Discounts

For participation of 2 members of the same family a total discount of 10% For participation of 3+ members of the same family total discount 20%

Payment Conditions:

PAYMENT VIA BANK TO THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT:

NATIONAL BANK OF GREECE

IBAN: GR9101103780000037801450927

SWIFT/BIC: ETHNGRAA

Beneficiary: Sport Club Agrias Magnisias Athlos

ANY BANK EXPENSES MUST BE COVERED BY THE CHESS PLAYER.

Payment receipts must be sent to the e-mail of the organization for verification: topionaki@gmail.com

(the name of the participant must be indicated in the reason of the deposit).

7. Registration:

To register, fill out the following registration form.

https://forms.gle/9geQ48NM9gFfgZu66

Maximum number: 140 participants.

The entry fee must be paid by Friday, 22.08.2025. Registration does not guarantee participation.

The only confirmation of participation is the payment of the entry fee.

The proof of entry fee payment must be sent to topionaki@gmail.com, with e-mail subject "Agria-Open"



8. Tie-break Criteria:

- a. Sum of opponents' points (Buchholz)
- b. Sum of opponents' points according to the results (Sonneborn-Berger)
- c. Sum of opponents' Buchholz scores

9. Tournament Director:

The Board of A.O. AGRIA ATHLOS.

10. Chief Arbiter:

Mrs. Zoe Anagnostou (IA).

11. Appeals - Appeals Committee:

Appeals shall be submitted, in written form to the Appeals Committee, no later than 10 minutes from the end of the playing session of each round. This Committee will be consisted of 3 members and 2 substitute ones, chosen among the participants or not. The Committee's members related to the players involved in the complaint will be excluded from the Committee and will be replaced by substitutes. The cost of the appeal is 50€ for A Group and 40€ for B Group and can be submitted to the tournament director or the chief arbiter.

The fee is totally refunded if the appeal becomes accepted. If not, the fee goes in favor of the organization.

The Appeals Committee will be announced before the start of the 1st Round.

12. Prizes: Total Prize Fund €2200

| PRIZE | A GROUP | B GROUP |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1st Place | 500€ + CUP | 200€ + CUP |
| 2nd Place | 350€ + MEDAL | 150€ + MEDAL |
| 3rd Place | 150€ + MEDAL | 100€ + MEDAL |
| 4th Place | 100€ | |
| 5th Place | 100€ | |
| SPECIAL CATEGORIES | | |
| 1st WOMAN | 150€ + MEDAL | 100€ + MEDAL |
| 1st VETERAN S50 | 100€ + MEDAL | 50€ + MEDAL |
| 1st THESSALIAN | 100€ + MEDAL | 50€ + MEDAL |
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Gold medals for the top U18, U16, U14, U12, U10, U08 in both groups, provided there are at least 3 participants.

The prizes cannot be shared and are attributed to the winners according to the final ranking.



13. Exceptions - Byes:

Players can request an exception from pairings up to ten (10) minutes after the end of the last game.

Exceptions with half a point are available until the 3rd round and without a point for the rest of the tournament. The exception should be asked no later than ten (10) minutes after the end of his/her last game.

Exception at 1st round can get anyone who has prepaid the entry fee.

Unjustified absence from any round will result in expulsion from the tournament.

Any player unable to play a round shall notify the arbiters within ten (10) minutes after the end of the last game of the Group.

The time schedule cannot be changed for any reason.

Players missing a round without notifying the organizers will be disqualified from the next "AGRIA OPEN".

14. Anti-cheating:

The organization reserves the right to check the players for the prevention and confrontation of electronic assistance (Anti cheating protection measures) in accordance with the current regulations of F.I.D.E.: https://handbook.fide.com/chapter/AntiCheatingRegulations

15. Side Events:

A **BLITZ tournament** will be held on **Friday**, **29.08.2025** at **18:00** (announcement to follow).

16. Information:

For further information or clarifications, please contact by e-mail at: topionaki@gmail.com

Official website of the games: https://topionaki.blogspot.com

For anything not covered by this announcement, the rules of FIDE and the decisions of the Board of A.O. Agria Athlos shall apply.



17. Accommodation – Special Offer Package

Accommodation for athletes and companions is at their own choice.

For those interested, the organizers have secured exclusive accommodation packages for the four days of the tournament (from August 27 to August 31, 2025) for participants, as follows:

- 1. At the 5-star Valis Hotel ***** https://valishotel.gr/ (Tournament venue)
 - Double room with breakfast: €125/night
 - Triple room (2 adults and 1 child up to 12 years old) with breakfast:
 €155/night
 - Quadruple room (2 adults and 2 children up to 12 years old) with breakfast:
 €180/night
- 2. **At Ballas Hotel** (200 meters from the playing venue)
 - Double room without breakfast: €50/night
 - Breakfast (optional): €5/person

To take advantage of these offers, participants must contact the hotels directly by phone (VALIS: +30 2428 097260, BALLAS: +30 2428 092926) or by email at

info@valisresort.gr

info@hotelballas.gr

and mention that they are participating in the tournament.