

## **Regulations of the "Freedom Asian Chess Initiatives" project**

### **1. General Statements**

These regulations (hereinafter referred to as the Regulations) govern the terms and procedure for implementing the project "Freedom Asian Chess Initiatives" (hereinafter referred to as the Project). This Project is being implemented by the Kazakhstan Chess Federation (hereinafter referred to as Kazchess), in partnership with the International Chess Federation (hereinafter referred to as FIDE) and the Asian Chess Federation (hereinafter referred to as ACF). The Project Sponsor is Freedom Holding Corp. (hereinafter referred to as the Sponsor).

The main goal of the Project is to assist chess federations in developing chess in Asian countries.

### **2. The following definitions are used in the Regulations**

**Applicants** - federations that have applied to participate in the Project.

**Project Participants** - federations whose participation has been approved by the Kazchess.

**Working Group** - a working body consisting of representatives of Kazchess, FIDE and ACF responsible for planning and coordinating the work of the Project.

### **3. Objectives and expected results of the Project**

- Increasing the level of chess development in the Asian region.
- Strengthening international cooperation in the field of chess.
- Increasing the number of FIDE rated players, FIDE titles in Asian region.

### **4. Main areas of support**

- Conducting training sessions for national teams (children, men, women);
- Training of trainers and arbiters;
- Promoting the development of chess in schools.
- Promoting tournaments.
- Other events aimed at developing chess in the region.

### **5. Criteria for selecting Project participants**

- Current level of chess development (ELO index).
- Number of FIDE titles in the country.
- Involvement of the local federation in the launch and implementation of the project.
- Availability of infrastructure or potential for its development.
- Number of FIDE rated tournaments within the country.
- Level of economic development of the country.
- Experience of participating in similar projects
- Applicant's human resources

### **6. Procedure for assessing the applications**

To participate in the Project federations should submit their applications via *google form*. The Working Group assesses all eligible applications based on the criteria specified in these Regulations and submit a list of candidates for President. The final list of project participants is formed and approved by the decision of the President of Kazchess annually.

## **7. Project implementation stages**

- Call for applications
- Assessment of applications by the working group
- Submission of the list of candidates to the President of the Kazchess
- Approval of the list of Project participants by the President of the Kazchess
- Signing of a memorandum/agreement on cooperation between Kazchess and Project participants
- Start of work on the Project

## **8. Financing**

The financing for the Project is determined on an annual basis by the Sponsor in coordination with Kazchess. The total budget allocated for the Project and specific funding for each participant is set by Kazchess based on the available financial resources for the current year. Allocated funds cover the costs associated with training sessions, trainer fees, event logistics, and may include other project-related expenses. Project participants cover accommodation and meals for provided trainers. Any changes to the annual budget or special financial requests from federations must be approved by Kazchess in consultation with the Working Group.

## **9. Final provisions**

- **Compliance with Regulations:** Submitting the applications and participation in the Project signifies agreement of applicants and participants to adhere to all terms outlined in these Regulations.
- **Amendments and Changes:** The Working Group and Kazchess President hold the authority to make changes and additions to these Regulations. Any amendments will be formally documented and communicated to all relevant parties.
- **Enforcement:** These Regulations come into effect upon their official approval by KazChess. All provisions remain valid until modified by the Working Group and approved by KazChess.