## 83rd FIDE Congress

## **Events Commission Minutes**

3 September 2012, 15.00-19.00

Present:

Chairman: B. Kutin Secretary: T. Tsorbatzoglou I. Leong (FIDE General Secretary)

Councilors: O.Solakoglu (TUR), O. Boytsun (UKR),

Members: K. Chan (HKG), F. Vang (FAI), R. Haring (USA), Bai Min (CHN),

Observers: W. Brown (USA), H. Hamers (NED), K. Bonham (AUS), R. Alsusi (PLE), G. Debessu (ETH), N. Rabell-Mendez (PUR), M. Sani (NGR), A. Tkachev (RUS), Douglas (KEN), Hambugu (KEN), Maina (KEN), Tariq Ali Zarong (SUD), E. Pashir (SUD), I. Vereschagin (RUS), C. Abundo (PHI), G. Altanoch (MGL), A. Surender (SWE), P. Pisk (CZE), , A. Kostyev (RUS), D. Al Madhloom (IRQ), A. Tawfeeq (IRQ), M. Atia (IRQ), H. Metzing(GER), M. Khodarkovsky (USA), S. Reuben (ENG), C. Nyaberi (KEN).

- 1. Mr. Boris Kutin welcomed all the attendees and informed about his involvement in chess organizations since 70s. He emphasized that he is the Temporary Chairman since the approval of the General Assembly.
- 2. Mr. Theodoros Tsorbatzoglou, reported about the last year activities of the Commission. Main activities were, the writing, editing and printing of IO Manual, the launch of the IO seminars, the application and monitoring of the FIDE Bid procedure, the improvements of competitions regulations and the approval of FiDE tournament invitations. Mr. Tsorbatzoglou expressed his satisfaction for the completion of the first two-year Commission plan and new targets are set for the future.
- 3. Ignatius Leong & Theodoros Tsorbatzoglou reported about the publishing of IO manual and the positive feedback. It is noticed that many officers and delegates want to contribute for the extension and updating of the manual. Mr. Thomas Luther asked to be included (by his contribution) instructions for the disabled participants. Special thanks were given to Chinese Chess Association and Mrs Abigail Tian who hosted the meeting for the editing of IO Manual.
- 4. Commission approved proposal to FIDE General Assembly to organize odd Years FIDE Congresses during the World Youth Tournaments starting if possible from 2015. By this way more councilors can participate in the Commissions meetings.
- 5. As Calendar Administrator, Ignatius Leong made a short presentation of the updated FIDE annual planner (2014-2017). He noticed that from 2013 the calendar regulations will be applied strictly, and organizing federation must give consideration in the calendar dates. Herman Hamers spoke about the change in the World Youth dates from October to July. T.Tsorbatzoglou said that this could create some problem in National and Continental qualification championships and ask the Calendar administrator and PB to reconsider it. Ozgur Solakoglu shared the same worries. Ignatius Leong said that also he received some complaints but many federations are also supporting the change but he will re-examine it.

- 6. The commission examined the IO title applications. Ignatius Leong proposed that since the system of titles awarding changed and the new regulation published only by the IO manual the applications which include the IO norms should be accepted in this Congress. Also he informed that he waived the penalty for the late applications coming from the International Organizers' seminar held in Istanbul. Two applications without the IO norm was rejected and will be accepted after the applicants get the IO seminar norm, which is absolutely necessary after 15 January 2012. The approved titles were sent to FIDE office.
- 7. The Commission asked from the Continental Presidents of Africa, America and Asia to propose dates and venues for IO Organizers Seminars on 2012. By the end of the Congress and after approval of FIDE PB the commission will publish an extended panel of IO lecturers. All the applications for seminars and lecturers should be approved by the FIDE EVE Commission.
- 8. The deposit fee for World School Championship set on 10.000 euros starting from 2015. The deposit fee for World Youth and World Cadet will be 15.000 each from 2016.
- 9. Ignatius Leong informed the meeting about the regulations for the FIDE Annual awards. The procedure starts on 2013 and the first Award Gala dinner will be during the Tromso Olympiad on 2014.
- 10. There were some new proposals for players' transfers. EVE Commission asked from Mr. Ruth Haring to co-ordinate this debate ask for more federations' views and come with news resolutions fin the next Commission meeting.
- 11. Theodoros Tsorbatzoglou explained the operating plan of the next two years and the new Commission's targets:
  - A. The development of the sponsorship guidelines and ad program for the FIDE Events. The main point is to connect through a sponsorship program the FIDE Events. A beneficial program for both Organizers and FIDE.
  - B. The standardization of Winners' medals and Cerificates. Commission Chairman Boris Kutin already working in this project and he presented in the Commission meeting the first samples of these medals and certificates.
  - C. The sports clothing for teams and players. The Commission will try to co-operate with leading sports fashion companies in order to receive proposals and designs for the official chess competitions. Players, federations and sports fashion experts will contribute to this task.
  - D. The better operation of FIDE Events applying the new regulations.
- 12. Olena Boytsun proposed the next Commission meeting to be held in Ukraine. Commission Chairman accepted with pleasure the invitation and sent his sincere greetings to Ukrainian Chess Federation.

The FIDE EVE Commission Chairman,

**Boris Kutin** 

The FIDE EVE Commission Secretary,

Theodoros Tsorbatzoglou