

FIDE representation Office in the Russian Federation report

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During the period following the FIDE Congress in Istanbul the activities of the FIDE representation office RF was dedicated to the following main aspects.

At the end of last year, the office actively participated in preparation of a final report of Chess in Schools project sponsored by Rosneft. This report was highly appreciated as the most elaborated report among all Rosneft partners.

The office was responsible for setting up and functioning of the FIDE stand at the SportAccord Convention this May in St. Petersburg. Many delegates as the representatives of various international sport federations marked the design of our stand and its active work. In the Convention Demozone there has been a chess presentation with the participation of GMs N. Vitjugov and M. Matlakov, moderated by WGM I. Sudakova and Mr. G. Borg. Modern technologies of chess game were demonstrated to the spectators. This presentation had been prepared with the participation of the St. Petersburg Chess Federation.

The office staff together with FIDE CEO Mr. Borg have been coordinating and preparing practically all the stages of the FIDE Grand Prix for men and women as well as Womens' World Championships (November 2012), World Rapid and Blitz Championship (June in Khanty-Mansisk), Women's World Team Championships (March in Astana).

The office tries to render necessary assistance for the FIDE officials and FIDE principals during their stay in Russia and during meetings of the FIDE congresses and Presidential Board. They always assist in preparation of documents and presentations for official meetings and visits of the FIDE President. The work of our office is supervised on a permanent basis by Messrs. Makropoulos and Freeman.

The office was instrumental in receiving the first tranche of USD 5,000 to reimburse the outstanding amount from the Rostov Chess Federation in respect of FIDE Women's Grand Prix organization.

Following the new guidelines of the Russian Ministry of Jurisdiction the books of our office were audited in September 2013 and received the positive evaluation.

The offices have been moved to the smaller premises to minimize rent costs. Therefore we request the Executive Board ratification for a new address of our office as follows: 125047, Moscow, 1<sup>st</sup> Tverskaja Jamskaja 23.