

Proposal to establish a FIDE Advisory Board

1. ADVISORY BOARD RATIONALE

The FIDE advisory board complements and strengthens the FIDE Presidential board and all other official organs of FIDE. The FIDE Presidential Board, and the FIDE advisory board sit as separate but parallel bodies. Because it has no governance authority or statutory responsibilities, an advisory board may meet less frequently, be consulted on an *ad hoc* basis as required, or focus on a narrower set of issues than the Presidential Board must necessarily confront.

The advisors can play an increasingly significant role in assisting FIDE through the initial period of statutory and regulatory change required for a more responsive FIDE and incorporating good governance principles. Advisors who understand different geographies and come from different intellectual and professional disciplines can provide insight into key economic and geopolitical challenges. They can help the FIDE Presidential board think outside the box and act also as a sounding board.

2. ADVISORY BOARD STRUCTURE

The advisory board will meet three times a year. Once, in the first Presidential Board of each calendar year, and the second time during the FIDE Congress in the second half of each year. The Chairman of and Members of the Advisory Board are appointed by the Presidential Board during the FIDE Congress or immediately after depending on circumstances.

3. ADVISORY BOARD PURPOSE

The FIDE advisory board provides the FIDE Presidential Board, Executive Board, General Assembly and FIDE management with insights and ideas which can only come with distance from the day-to-day operations;

Their purpose is the provision of:

- Engagement & communication
- Ambassadors for the mission
- Advocacy for public policy on development of chess
- Advising on programs and events

The ultimate aim of having an advisory board is value creation.

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