Invitation to the 20° WORLD SENIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP from 26.10 TILL 06.11.2010

A competition held by FIDE and the Italian Chess Federation. Organizer: Arcoworldchess Pernici Rigo Cristina

The organizer invites all senior Ladies and Gentlemen throughout the world to participate at the 20 ° Open FIDE World Senior Chess Championship, which is to be held in Arco – Trentino.

All male players must have reached their 60th Birthday by 1.1.2010 and all female players must have reached their 50th Birthday by 1.1.2010.

Do not miss this opportunity to play with former world champions, legendary Grandmasters, and many known friends in such a world Championship. The organizer is proud to present this offer.

Games online for the first 50 chessboards

The registration period ends on September 30, 2010

Even with our modest funds, we will endeavour to turn this World Senior Championship into a high – ranking social as well as sports event.

The competition is going to take place in the in the Casinò of Arco.

The players will certainly be interested in the programme, which will be lively and supplemented by a number of additional events.

As usual you will find here the hotels available, rules and application form. You will also find a small map for an easier arrival.

FIDE, Fsi, Cristina Pernici Rigo and the town of Arco wish you a nice trip and an unforgettable stay in Trentino.

Tournament Direction: International Arbiter Cristina Pernici Rigo.

Announcement / Regulation

The Championship shall be played in 11 rounds of the Swiss System The time control shall be 90 minutes for the first 40 moves followed by 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an addition of 30 seconds per move starting from move 1. (FIDE rules 2006)

Computer assisted draw confirmed by FIDE and FSI.

Art.6.6 Law of Chess 2009: any player who arrives at the chessboard more than 0 min. after the start of the session shall lose the game.

Participation: player who is registered by his/her federation.

Prior to the beginning of the first round an appeals committee shall be elected by the players consisting of three members and two reserve.

Arbiters team: Chief arbiter will be the International Arbiter Mr. Christian Krause (Ger) assisted by a staff of multilingual arbiter team A.I. Cristina Pernici Rigo (Ita), A.I. Reinhold Unterreitmeier (Ger), A.I. Laurent Freyd (Fra), A.I. Sergio Pagano (Ita) A.F. Giuseppe Buonocore (Ita) A.N. Gerhard Bertagnolli (Ita)

If a protest is submitted against a decision of the arbiters, it must be submitted in writing to the Chief arbiter within two hours after the end of the playing session

Winner and Senior World Championship 2010 will be the person at the end of the tournament, who has scored the highest number of point. If two or more players are tied the following tiebreak's shall be used:

- 1. Result of direct encounters between tied players (applies only if all tied players have played each other).
- 2. The sum of progressive scores. The highest total wins. If still tied, deduct the first round score, and if necessary the second round score and so on.

- 3. If still tied, the number of games played with black by each player in the tie. (the highest number wins)
- 4. If still tied, the average rating of the 7 top rated opponents of each player. (the highest number wins)

The title of "Grandmaster" will be conferred to the winner of the 20° FIDE World Senior Chess Championship 2010 who will receive the **Gold medal**. The second place will receive a **Silver medal**, the third place is awarded a **Bronze medal**.

The same rules for the medals award are applied to the participating women players, who play separately within their own tournament