

# #Development FA and IO Seminars in Trieste

#Development FA and IO Seminars took place from 1st-7th September in Trieste, Italy. Seminars were specially dedicated to female participants.

The European FIDE Arbiters Seminar and the International Arbiters Workshop concluded on the 4th of September in Trieste, Italy. FA Seminar was attended by 17 female participants from 8 different federations and was concluded with the exams to acquire the FIDE Arbiter norm.

The Lecturers of the FA Seminar were Franca Dapiran (ITA) and Panagiotis Nikolopoulos (GRE), and the Assistant Lecturers were Marco Biagioli (ITA) and Mario Held (ITA). The seminar was supported by the FIDE Development fund.

The Arbiters Workshop, that took place on the 3rd and 4th of September, was a meeting of many experienced Arbiters, that lead by Panagiotis Nikolopoulos and Tomasz Delega. The Workshop consisted of a short reference on the recent changes of the tournament regulations and focused on case studies. Through this discussion the Lecturers wished to express their strong belief that objectivity and common sense should always be used in order to resolve potential issues during tournaments.



The exams for the Arbiters Workshop took place on the 4th of September, separately from the exams for the FIDE Arbiters seminar, which took place in the morning of the 5th of September.

The International Organisers Seminar was opened with a joined class with the European FIDE Arbiters Seminar on the 4th of September, at Hotel Milano. The Lecturers of the joined class, Panagiotis Nikolopoulos (GRE), Tomasz Delega (POL) and the Assistant Lecturer Marco Biagioli (ITA) spoke about the FIDE Rating Regulations, as well as the Anticheating Regulations, while sharing with the participants many examples that they have personally encountered during various tournaments.



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ECU, with the cooperation of the Italian Arbiters' Commission on behalf of Italian Chess Federation and the FIDE Development Commission, organised a multiple-field training event specially dedicated to female participants, from 1st-7th September in Trieste. For all female participants, full board accommodation and FIDE exam fee was fully covered.



International Organizer Seminar was attended by 25 participants, 23 of which are female, from 13 federations. ECU Vice President and FIDE Chairperson of the Commission for Women's Chess Eva Repkova welcomed the participants to the Development IO Seminar dedicated to female participants. Lecturer of the IO Seminar, Tomasz Delega, have special thanks to Mr Marco Biagioli for organising the two seminars under excellent conditions.

IO Mr. Tomasz Delega, spoke about the step-by-step procedure that an organiser should follow, the guidelines mentioned in the FIDE Handbook, as well as additional tournament guidelines that can be found on the FIDE and ECU website. Tomasz Delega shared plenty of personal examples and engaged the participants into sharing their own experiences.

ECU Vice President and FIDE Chairperson of the Commission for Women's Chess, Mrs. Eva Repkova, gave to the participants important insights about organising tournaments with a large number of participants, referring to her recent organisation of European Youth Chess Championship 2019 in Bratislava. Mrs. Eva Repkova also brought the message of FIDE Executive Director, Victor Bologan, who wished a fruitful seminar to the participants.

Franca Dapiran explained the Tie-Break criteria and discussed with the participants technical details concerning the playing hall and the staff of the tournament.

Marco Biagioli informed the participants about the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) within ECU.

Participants gave special thanks to Marco Biagioli for his initiative to organise the IO seminar under excellent conditions in the beautiful hospitable city of Trieste and thanked Tomasz Delega for conducting a detailed, informative and interactive seminar.

### Last part of the IO Seminar in Trieste

For the last part of the Seminar, Tomasz Delega and Ismini Tzegka prepared a Workshop activity that gave the chance to the participants to work in groups on organising a tournament. The groups had the chance to get hands-on a case study, to cooperate and exchange ideas, while preparing the bid, the budget, the people management sheet, problem solving strategies, marketing ideas.