



THE 8th HDBANK CUP INTERNATIONAL OPEN CHESS TOURNAMENT 2018

REGULATIONS

Viet Nam Chess Federation has the honor of inviting your Federation to participate in the 8th HDBank Cup International Open Chess tournament 2018 held from 9th to March 16th, 2018 in Ha Noi, Viet Nam.

1. Schedule:

March 9 th	12:00	Arrival
	19:00	Technical meeting
March 10 th	08:30	Opening Ceremony
	10:00	Round 1
	16:00	Round 2
March 11 th	09:30	Round 3
March 12 th	09:30	Round 4
	15:30	Round 5
March 13 th	09:30	Round 6
March 14 th	09:30	Round 7
	15:30	Round 8
March 15 th	09:30	Round 9
	16:00	Awarding Ceremony
March 16 th	before 12:00	Departures

2. Format:

- 2.1. This is an individual tournament, opening to all players with FIDE ID number.
- 2.2. Swiss System of 9 rounds. Pairings will be made with Swiss-manager program.
- 2.3. The time control is 90 minutes for entire game with an increment of 30 seconds for each move.
- 2.4. There are two groups of play: Master category and Challenger category (ratings based on March 1st, 2018 FIDE rating list).
 - 2.4.1. **Master Category:** For players rated above 2100 and women rated above 2000.
 - 2.4.2. **Challenger Category:** For players rated below 2100 or unrated.

3. Prize fund:

- 3.1. Fifty-five thousand US Dollars (US\$55,000). Prizes shall be awarded:

3.1.1. Master Category: 1st \$15,000; 2nd \$6,500; 3rd \$4,500; 4th \$2,500; 5th \$1,600; 6th \$1100; 7th \$1000; 8th \$900; 9th \$800; 10th \$700; 11th \$600; 12th \$500; 13th to 16th \$300; 17th to 20th \$250; 21st to 26th \$200. Best women: 1st \$5,000; 2nd \$2,500; 3rd \$1,500; 4th \$700; 5th \$500; 6th \$300; Best U16 \$200. Best Seniors >60 \$200.

3.1.2. Challenger Category: 1st \$1,200; 2nd \$800; 3rd \$600; 4th \$500; 5th \$350; 6th \$250. Best women: 1st \$500; 2nd \$300; 3rd \$200. Best U12 \$150. Best Seniors >60 \$150.

Each player with prizes receives only his highest one .

- 3.2. Cash prizes shall be shared equally among tied players.

- 3.3. For trophies (Top 3 Standings), ties will be decided by Tiebreak: Direct Encounter, Buchholz, Greater number of Wins, Greater number of Wins with the Black pieces, Sudden death games.



4. Entry fee:

For all players based on March 1st, 2018 FIDE Ratings list, the entry fee is as follows:

4.1. Registration is free for GM, IM, WGM and players with a FIDE Rating of 2500 and above.

4.2. For Master category, the entry fee is as follows:

Above 2399	\$50
2350 to 2399	\$75
2300 to 2349	\$100
2250 to 2299	\$125
2100 to 2250	\$150
2000 to 2099	\$200

4.3. For Challenger category: \$50 for players rated from 1900 to 2100 and \$75 for others.

5. Venue:

5.1. Venue: Army Hotel, 1A Nguyen Tri Phuong street, Ba Dinh, Ha Noi , Viet Nam.

5.2. The Grandmasters who have ratings above 2700 and Women Grandmasters who have ratings above 2500 will be offered a free return air ticket and hotel room with 3 meals during the tournament.

5.3. The Grandmasters who have ratings above 2550 and Women Grandmasters who have ratings above 2350 will be provided accommodation with 3 meals on a twin room sharing basis during the tournament.

5.4. Other participants will be responsible for their own accommodation. Those who book hotel via Organizing Committee, will be enjoying special offer with the cost as follows:

Twin room: US\$ 45 per person per night with breakfast only;

Twin room: US\$ 65 per person per night with 3 meals;

Single room: US\$ 60 per person per night with breakfast only;

Single room: US\$ 80 per person per night with 3 meals.

6. Travel:

Players and accompanying person staying in official hotel will be picked up from Noi Bai airport (HAN), Ha Noi and taken to the official Hotel by Organising committee.

7. Entry deadline:

The registration form is enclosed but no later than 1st February, 2018.

Players, who send entry later than the deadline above, will be charged double entry fee.

8. Visa:

Participants who need visas shall apply for visas at the Viet Nam Embassy in your respective country. If you have any problems, please do not hesitate to contact us by the following address:

Contact: **Viet Nam Chess Federation**

Add: **36 Tran Phu street, Ba Dinh, Ha Noi, Viet Nam**

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REGISTRATION FORM

Family Name:	Given Name:	
FIDE ID:	FIDE Rating:	Title:
Country:	Passport No.:	Gender: M/F
Address:		
Telephone:	Fax:	
E-mail:		
If hotel sharing, please indicate with whom:		
Arrival Date & Time:	Flight number:	
Departure Date & Time:	Flight number:	

Please return this entry form to the following address:

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