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OLBIA *European CAPITAL city*

OLBIA amateur Chess Association

Chess Italian Federation

With the sponsorship of

OLBIA town hall

OLBIA-TEMPIO county council

Sardinian autonomous region

From May 24th to June 4th 2008

Organize

MITROPA CUP 2008

**EUROPEAN team tournament addressed to 10 nations:
Austria, Croatia, France, Germany, Czech Republic, Slovak
republic, Slovenia, Swiss, Hungary, Italy.**

First edition was held in Austria in 1976, then in different countries in the following years. In 2006 the Czech republic organized the event, in 2007 Hungary and, after 11 years, in 2008 MITROPA CUP is back to ITALY, SARDINIA, OLBIA.



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Game schedule

Saturday May 24th

9.00 – arrival, registration and hotel settling;
19.00- press conference stampa with town hall and chess authorities;
21.00- welcome reception to all participants with traditional wines, cakes and Sardinian dances.

Sunday May 25:

14.00- opening ceremony;
15.00 - 1° round starts

Monday May 26:

15.00- 2° round starts

Tuesday May 27:

15.00- 3° round starts

Wednesday May 28:

15.00- 4° round starts

Thursday May 29:

15.00- 5° round starts

Friday May 30:

rest

Saturday May 31:

15.00- 6° round starts

Sunday June 1:

15.00- 7° round starts

Monday June 2:

15.00- 8° round starts

Martedì 3 Giugno:

15.00- 9° round starts
20.00- Mitropa prize awarding and buffet.

Wednesday June 4th:

departure.



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PLAYING VENUE



Olbia naval archaeological museum is the best location in town for the 100 participants, referees and visitors. Surrounded and preserved by the sea, it spans over 3 floors and provides a unique view on both the harbour and town centre. The nearby square and recently completed gardens add to its visibility, achieving a reception in tune with the international level of the event.

each room in the museum will be ADSL equipped , so to grant the tournament Internet diffusion, while, four megascreens on the first floor allow the main games to be watched at once.

Opening ceremony and final prize awarding will take place in the conference room.

Easy to reach, the museum is not far from the main street , where players and guests will be hosted. In hotels.

TOURNAMENT DEVELOPMENT

The initiative will span over 12 days, 9 of which devoted to playing, one to rest or shopping/ sightseeing), one to arrival and settling down, one to departure.

- time control is **90 minutes for 40 moves, followed by 30 minutes to finish the game, with an increment of 30 seconds per move, starting from move one.**

Registration - expenses

€ 200,00 registration fee (to be draft on the following bank account within April 18th) goes to the Italian chess federation:

BANK: Banca Nazionale del Lavoro

IBAN: **IT07 J010 0501 6000 0000 0140 003**

SWIFT code BIC: **BNLIITRR**

BANK ADDRESS: P.zza San Fedele, Milano

ACCOUNT HOLDER: Federazione Scacchistica Italiana

Registration form must also be sent, within April 18th, either to:

FEDERAZIONE SCACCHISTICA ITALIANA

Via Cusani 10 – 20121 Milano (Italy)

e-mail: fsi@federscacchi.it fax: +39 02 864165

or:

A.D. Olbia Scacchi

Via Ghiberti N°1 Olbia (OT) (Italy)

e-mail: mitropacupolbia2008@hotmail.it

fax: +39 0789 66770



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Prizes

The first three teams to qualify will receive a trophy each, and gold, Silver, bronze medal each component.

Accommodation

Top hotels will host teams, captains and referees fullboard. Each country (8 players and their captain) will be based in a triple room (for the female team) and three double ones for the male team and their captain, 6 persons all together.

Single room supplement: € 100.00

Associated hotels are:

-Hotel centrale**** Corso Umberto I°, 85. 07026 Olbia (OT) 0789 23017



-Hotel terranova*** Via Garibaldi, 3 -07026 Olbia-Tel.+39-0789.22395-Fax 0789.27255

-Hotel Cavour*** Via Cavour, 22. tel.0789/204033-Fax 0789/201096.

Find shuttle service from airport or harbour to the playing venue, throught www.olbiascacchi.it

Getting to Olbia

Its favourable geographical position places Olbia within easy reach both by plane and ship. If you choose the first, on the airport website (www.geasar.it) you will find low cost companies connecting Olbia to many international airports or Meridiana company, connecting to Rome and Milan.

Both ferries and fast ships grant frequent cruises (different duration) to mainland: Genova, Civitavecchia, Livorno, Piombino.

Olbia has even a railway (town centre) and coach station, so to explore archaeological sites, natural beauties, traditional enogastronomic events and sightsee around the island.

Deluxe hotel chains or small refined ones, bed & breakfast or farmhouses, camping sites by the beach or rural accommodation perfectly equipped for your wellbeing, resorts plunged in the smells of the Mediterranean maquis: everything is at hand, either in Olbia centre or in its outskirts (max 12 km. away), either you ask for sea, countryside or hills, including:

- **Pinu mountain**, a veritable natural reserve with wild animals, water springs and rocks shaped by the wind;
- **Tavolara** (a rocky island 500 m. high) and Ceraso promontory: together they form the marine protected area, with dolphins and sea endemisms.

Being the coast rich in inlets, everyday, depending on the wind, you can choose different bays to sunbathe; sand is white and water crystal clear.