



## "CHESS IN SCHOOL"

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### **Introduction:**

- Sport of chess in Albania has been very popular and widespread. Unfortunately, after 90 years there has been a vacuum in its development, starting from sports clubs, with gaps in team chains organization, starting from the smaller ages.

Changes in the law of sport, on 2005, by which sports federations turned in non-profit organizations, from public entities that were in the past, as well as some shortcomings in organizing sport in general in our country, where the sport at sports clubs are selected by municipalities that the majority of attention and financial support funds have gone toward sports like soccer; deficiencies of sponsorship law; and for more sports federations, were found in the conditions of absence of staff (with only one person responsible for organizing and directing the affairs and activities);

Consequently brought the situation that we qualify the above, where the sport of chess was developed only thanks to the passion of some special people and trainers.

On these circumstances, our federation has tried since 2011 to restore attention to the sport of chess.

The presence of Fide leaders and meetings with them during the world women match in Tirana brought chess in schools idea to our attention.

Thus followed the signing of agreement with Fide for the initial chess in schools project.

The merger of sports ministry with that of education, last year the conditions for the cooperation regarding chess in schools implementation, became more possible.

We also grasped for our purpose a project of the Ministry of Education for schools as community centers, which started the 10 pilot schools! (our project with Fide for 10 chess labs!!)

#### **The purpose of the project:**

Chess in school learning by providing instructions, lessons and knowledge's for school students, according to the selection and willingness, in form of extracurricular activities in Computer skill cabinets, through on-line registration on fide packages students' membership: <http://sm.fide.com/> [Http://psm.fide.com/](http://psm.fide.com/); as well as developing willingness in the form of entertainment practices and sports competitions organizing.

## **Division into periods of activity**

### **First phase: January 2015 - June 2015**

#### **PROMOTION**

- a) Through directly meetings with representative directors of educational centers and offices in different cities
  - b) Common meetings of representatives of the Albanian Chess Federation with Heads of local sports institutions and education managers in cities.
  - c) organization of mass activities in different cities with the participation of students
- Simultaneous with chess masters instead
  - Local Schools Championships
  - National Schools Championship

### **Second Phase: April - June 2015**

#### **AGREEMENT**

- a) Develop of draft agreement by the parties to its signing.
- b) The signing of the act-agreement.

Third phase: September 2015 onwards

#### **PROJECT Implementattion**

**a)** Notice (under the agreement) of all educational institutions on the pre-university system, the possibility of voluntary membership to all interested students in packages of "Chess in school student fide membership, SM and PSM '.

First package "SM" (simple membership) is free and offers: access in web -site and the use of chess in school program.

Second package "PSM" (premium membership), which membership fee is € 10 and offers: use on-line of the library and chess teaching methods, membership in FIDE and FSHSH, ID card and the possibility of on-line Elo

These packages have an option, search in many languages and receiving information in the default language, enabling besides taking chess lessons the enrichment of knowledge in foreign languages and the teaching of Computer skill (ICT).

**b)** Determination of the schools which will start implementation of the project (FSHSh and Ministry). At the initial stage the project will be extended to the cities of Tirana, Durrës, Elbasan, Berat, Lushnjë, Shkodra, Kucova, Vlora, Saranda.

- d) Selection of school teachers, who will manage the extracurricular activities for teaching chess knowledge. (School officials)
- e) Compilation and organization of programs and training courses for teachers (instructors) of schools and edition book for chess teachers and students in school. (FSHSH, Chess Academy).

Teachers who can manage students in extracurricular activities for teaching chess knowledge are:

1- Computer skill teachers of on-line programs

2- Other teachers who have the knowledge and desire to be involved.

- f) Provision of 10 first selected schools for creating chess cabinets with the basis material. (FSHSH-FIDE)
- g) Provision of school students with membership card (Fide ID) and access to its library.
- h) Create the network run by FSHSH, Chess Academy, which will have access to all students to join.

## **Project Evaluation**

FIDE in cooperation with the FSHSH:

Will control and test phase of the project for the teaching of chess on pre-university education institution through on-line assessment of pupils membership packages: Chess Fide school student in membership, Sm and Psm.

### **General:**

#### **FIDE / ECU**

Exact will provide the necessary material for the implementation of the project in 10 schools, which will be selected in the initial stage. Referring to the project scope and the number of new memberships, providing material support will continue for other schools.

Will put on the official web sites the progressive information about project progress, and will provide, in cooperation with the National Federation, the design of training programs, textbooks and teaching methods of chess teaching for pre-university educational institutions; equip students schools with membership card, ID and access Fide its on line library.

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