FIDE Commission for Chess for the Disabled

Strategic Planning and Budget for the coming years

The FIDE Commission for Chess for the Disabled (DIS) has several objectives:

1.It insures fair play and good regulations for disabled players participating in FIDE events.
2.It is organizing events for disabled players.
3.It is creating media coverage for portraying chess as an inclusive sport.

In the past years two new FIDE events have been created. The FIDE World Chess Championship for Disabled started in 2013 and will have the 3rd edition in October 2017 in Dresden/Germany.

Even newer is the FIDE World Junior Chess Championship for Disabled. The 1st edition took place June 2017 in Orlando/USA.

Also several other events for disabled players were organized. All these events had good media coverage.

The long term plan is to bring chess to the Paralympic Games. This plan is challenging and there is no guarantee for success.

An option to start this initiative would be to bring chess to a continental Para Games event. Please note: There are Asian Para Games, Parapan American Games, African Para Games and European Youth Para Games.

A long term plan needs a budget. It is hard to predict costs and most likely FIDE can not cover everything. The need of private donations is vital for the support of this cause. However at this point an annual budget of 25.000€ for the Commission for Chess for the Disabled is needed.

Thomas Luther DIS Chairperson in June 2017