

## **Asian Chess Federation**

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The Asian Chess Federation successfully organized all Asian tournaments in the 2017 calendar. Since the Asian Continental Assembly last year, member federations on behalf of the Asian Chess Federation organized the various Asian Championships. Asian Chess Federation financially supported the following championships organized by the federations of Uzbekistan, Iran, China, Philippines, Mongolia, Sri Lanka, Kyrgyzstan, New Zealand and Thailand.

Uzbekistan Chess Federation organized the Asian Youth Championships 31 May to 10 April in Tashkent.

The Chess Federation of the Islamic Republic of Iran organized the Asian Juniors and Girls Championships 1-10 May in Shiraz.

The Chinese Chess Association organized the Asian Continental Championships 11-22 May in Chengdu and Asian Schools Championships 20-30 July in Panjin Lianoing.

The National Chess Federation of the Philippines organized the Eastern Asia Juniors and Girls Championships 26 May to 5 June in Tagaytay City.

The Mongolian Chess Federation organized the Eastern Asia Youth Championships 17-26 June in Ulaanbaatar.

The All India Chess Federation organized the Asian Cities Team Championship for the Dubai Cup 25 August to 2 September in Bhubaneshwar.

The Sri Lanka Chess Federation organized the Western Asia Youth Championships 4-12 September in Southern Province.

The Kyrgyzstan Chess Federation organized the 1<sup>st</sup> Asian Championship for Disabled 14-22 September in Bishkek.

Ongoing is the Asian Seniors Championship 9-25 October in Auckland, New Zealand.

Finally the Thailand Chess Federation will organize the Asian Amateur Championship 23-30 November in Chiang Mai.

Our aim is to spread chess development around Asia, and we are pleased to report that Asian calendar events are organized by different federations across many Zones.

The big event this year was the chess championships of the Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games organized by the Olympic Council of Asia in cooperation with the Asian Chess Federation. We lobbied successfully to increase the number of gold medals from four previously to ten this year.

Asian Chess Federation assisted in the conduct of FIDE Arbiters and Trainers Seminars in Palau, Guam, Jordan, Bahrain, Uzbekistan and Korea, promoting chess among neighbouring federations in various Zones

The Asian Chess Summit is scheduled December this year including the Asian Chess Forum, Asian Chess Symposium, Asian Chess Excellence Awards and Asian Continental Assembly after which a report shall be submitted to FIDE.

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