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FIDE Planning and Development Commission

Subject: Report of the Year 2023

We are pleased to present Asian Annual Report on the FIDE Development Fund 2023.

Attached are reports and links of each project supported by the FIDE Planning and Development Commission.

The programs implement the calendar of tournaments, seminars and workshops for Players, Arbiters, Trainers and Organizers.

We are confident that the projects will further the progress of Asian chess development.

Thank you for your support.

Truly yours,

A blue ink signature of Sami Khader, consisting of several fluid, overlapping strokes.The logo of the Asian Chess Federation, featuring a circular emblem with two chess knights facing each other, surrounded by the text "ASIAN CHESS FEDERATION".

Sami Khader

Chair - Technical Affairs & Development Commission

#	Funding (EUR)	Event
1	1092	FIDE Arbiters Workshop (Arabic) # 32
2	4550	Asian Youth CC 2023 UAE #5
3	4550	Zone 3.2 Men and Women Championships - Bangladesh #46
4	1121	FIDE Arbiters workshop 18-21 Oct) # 19
5	4550	Zone 3.3 Men and Women Championships - Indonesia #43
6	4550	Zone 3.1 Men and Women Championships - Iran #36
7	4550	Zone 3.4 Men and Women Championships - Tajikistan #30
8	4550	Asian Schools Chess Championship - Uzbekistan #09
9	1820	FIDE Arbiters Seminar (English) #41
10	1820	FIDE Arbiters Seminar (Arabic) #31
11	1820	FIDE Arbiters Seminar (English) #38
12	1092	FIDE Organizers Seminar (Arabic) # 33
13	3100	FIDE Trainers' Seminar (East Asia & Oceania) #26
14	1300	Asian Chess Workshop for Girls Under-20 (English) #21
15	3100	FIDE Trainers' Seminar for Women (English) #17
16	3000	Asian Chess Workshop for Women (English) #16
17	15000	Asian Continental Individual Chess Championship Men and Women – Kazakhstan #8
18	4550	Asian Seniors Chess Championship – Philippines #14
19	1820	Asian Disabled Junior Chess Championship #6
20	1820	Asian Disabled Championship #4
21	1300	Asian Chess Workshop for Boys Under-20 (English) #20
22	3100	FIDE Trainers' Seminar (Middle East) #35
23	8300	Asian Educational Seminar “Chess for children with ASD. Learn & teach”. FIDE Infinite Chess Project #3
24	2600	FIDE Trainers' Seminar (Arabic) #2
25	1130	FIDE Organizers' Seminar (Eng) #18
26	3000	FIDE Trainers' Seminar (Russian) #29
27	3100	FIDE Trainers' Seminar (Indian Sub-Continent) #45
28	3185	FIDE Arbiters Workshop (Russian)
29	1800	FIDE Arbiters Seminar (English/Persian)
30	2730	FIDE Arbiters Seminar (Russian)
Total Funding = 100000		

144th Online FIDE Arbiters Seminar in English



144th Internet-based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar

28 - 31 October 2023



The 144th Internet Based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar (Asian Chess Federation) was held from 28th to 30th October 2023. It was organized by the Asian Chess Federation, under the auspices of FIDE.

The Lecturer was IA/IO Abundo, Casto (UAE).

The Language of the Seminar was English.

Seventeen (17) arbiters from ten (10) national federations (BRU, FIJ, IND, MGL, NZL, PAK, PHI, SGP, SRI, and THA) participated in the Seminar, and all of them participated in the examination test, held after the end of the lectures.

FIDE Report: [144th Internet-based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar \(Asian Chess Federation\) – Report – Arbiters' Commission](#)

ACF Report: [144th Online FIDE Arbiters Seminar in English – Asian Chess](#)

Arbiters Workshop (English)



Asian Chess Federation conducted a Workshop for Online Tournaments 18-21 October 2021 on Zoom.

Twenty nine students passed from 14 countries, namely Australia, Bhutan, India, Iran, Iraq, Malaysia, Pakistan, Palestine, New Zealand, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Syria, Thailand and Vietnam

Report: [Asian Chess Federation Workshop for Online Tournaments – Asian Chess](#) Report:

Asian Continental Chess Championship for Men and Women

The Asian Continental Chess Championship for Men and Women was held 4-11 June 2023 in Almaty, Kazakhstan.

Eighty eight men participated from 17 countries, namely Afghanistan, Bangladesh, China, Indonesia, India, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Papua new Guinea, Qatar, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Chinese Taipei and Uzbekistan.



Asian Chess Federation president Sheikh Sultan bin Khalifah Al Nahyan (right) presented the gold medal to Uzbek GM, silver medal to Iranian GM Bardia Daneshvar and the bronze medal to Kazakh Alisher Suleimenov

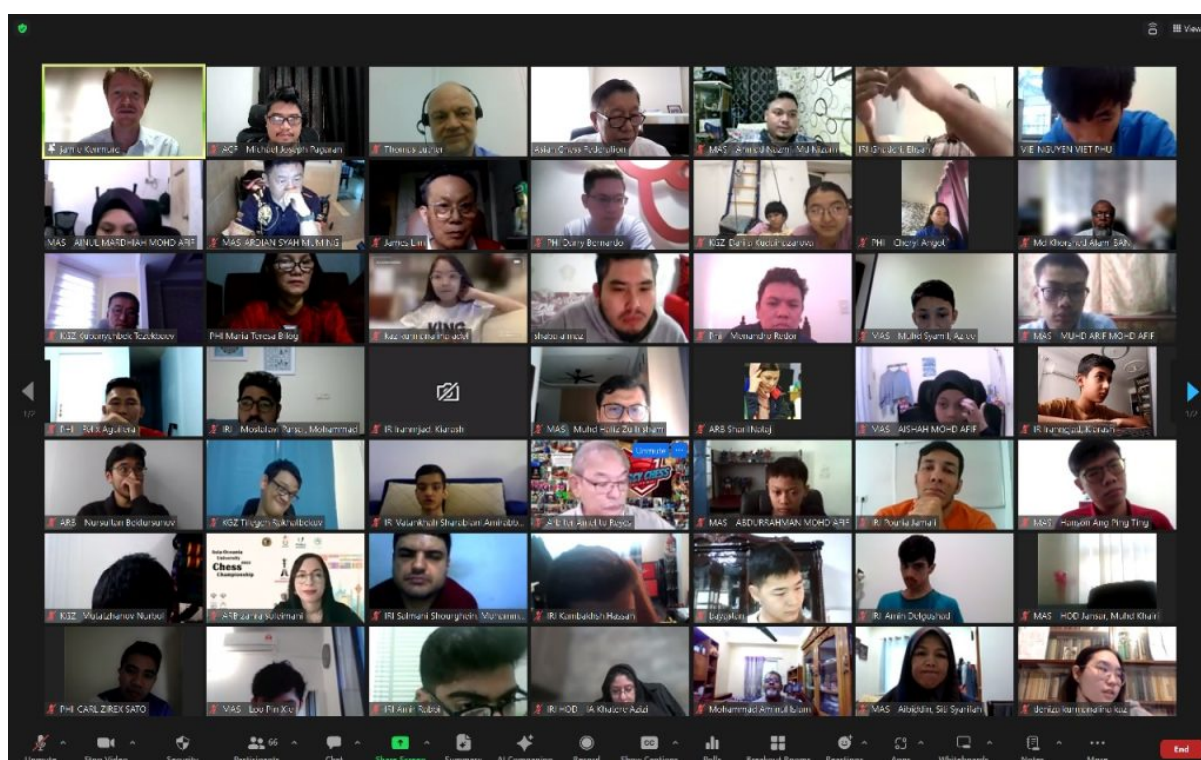
Among the women, the gold medal was awarded to Indian Divya Deshmukh, silver to Indian Mari Ann Gomez and bronze to Mongolian Batchimeg Mongontuul

Six winners, four among men and two among women have secured a spot in the FIDE World Cup 2023.

Crosstable: [Chess-Results Server Chess-results.com - Asian Continental Men Chess Championship 2023](https://chess-results.com/AsianContinentalMenChessChampionship2023/)

Report: [Sheikh Sultan Closed the Asian Continental Chess Championship – Asian Chess](#)

Asian Disabled Championships for Men, Women, Juniors and Girls



The Asian Disabled Championships for Men, Women, Juniors and Girls were held 8-9 December 2023 on Tornado. Fifty players, 20 men, 18 Juniors, six women and six girls participated from nine countries, namely Bangladesh, Bhutan, Iran, Malaysia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Philippines, Singapore and Vietnam.

Darry Bernardo of the Philippines won the Men's prevailing by tie break in an all-Filipino tie for first.

Among the women, WCM Deniza Kurmanalina of Kazakhstan topped the RR.

Among the Juniors Loo Pin Xie of Malaysia finished alone with 4.5 points out of 5 rounds for first place.

Among the girls Tomiris Kurmanalina of Kazakhstan finished alone with 4.5 points

Crosstable: [Chess-Results Server Chess-results.com - Asian Online Chess Championship for Players with Disabilities](https://chess-results.com/AsianOnlineChessChampionshipforPlayerswithDisabilities)

Report: [Philippines, Kazakhstan and Malaysia top Asian Disabled Championships – Asian Chess](#)

Asian Educational Seminar “Chess for children with ASD. Learn & teach”.



<https://fide.com/news/2810>

<https://infiniteschess.fide.com/2023/12/04/5th-fide-educational-seminar-chess-for-children-with-asd-learn-teach-announced/>

Asian Schools Chess Championship



India, Uzbekistan and Mongolia topped the medal tally in the 17th Asian Schools Chess Championship held 13-21 July 2023 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

A total of 324 participants from 17 countries took part at the Championship in the categories under 7, 9, 11, 13, 15 and 17, open and girls. The medal tally is:

Medal Tally	Gold	Silver	Bronze
India	3	1	0
Uzbekistan	2	2	8
Mongolia	2	2	0
Sri Lanka	2	0	0
Kazakhstan	1	4	1
Russia	1	0	1
Bangladesh	1	0	0
Kyrgyzstan	0	2	1
Turkmenistan	0	1	1

Crosstables: [Chess-Results Server Chess-results.com - Asian Schools Chess Championship U17 Open](https://chess-results.com/AsianSchoolsChessChampionshipU17Open)

Report: [India, Uzbekistan, Mongolia Top Asian Schools Chess Championship – Asian Chess](#)

Filipino International Masters Jose Efren Bagamasbad and Chito Garma won the 65+ and 50+ divisions, respectively.

Report: [Efren Bagamasbad, Chito Garma win Asian Seniors 65+ and 50+ Chess Championships – Asian Chess](#)

Asian Youth Chess Championship



The Asian Youth Chess Championship were held 12-22 December 2023 at the Al Ain International Convention Center in Al Ain, United Arab Emirates. Over a thousand persons came to Al Ain with a record number of 620 players from some 40 countries. Here is the medal tally in standard chess:

Standard	Gold	Silver	Bronze
India	2	3	2
China	2	1	1
Sri Lanka	1	1	
Vietnam	1		2
Indonesia	1		1
Iran	1		
Kazakhstan		2	3
New Zealand		1	
UAE			1
Syria			1

Crosstables: [Chess-Results Server Chess-results.com - Asian Youth Chess Championships 2023](https://chess-results.com/AsianYouthChessChampionships2023/)

Standard Report: [India, China, Sri Lanka Top Asian Youth Chess Championship – Asian Chess](#)

Blitz Report: [Vietnam Tops Asian Youth Blitz Chess Championship – Asian Chess](#)

Rapid Report: [India Tops Asian Youth Rapid Chess Championship – Asian Chess](#)

9 - 12 September 2023



The Lecturer was IA/IO Abundo, Casto (UAE).

Nineteen (19) arbiters from six (6) national federations (AUS, IND, MAS, SGP, SRI, and THA) participated in the Seminar, and all of them participated in the examination test, held after the end of the lectures.

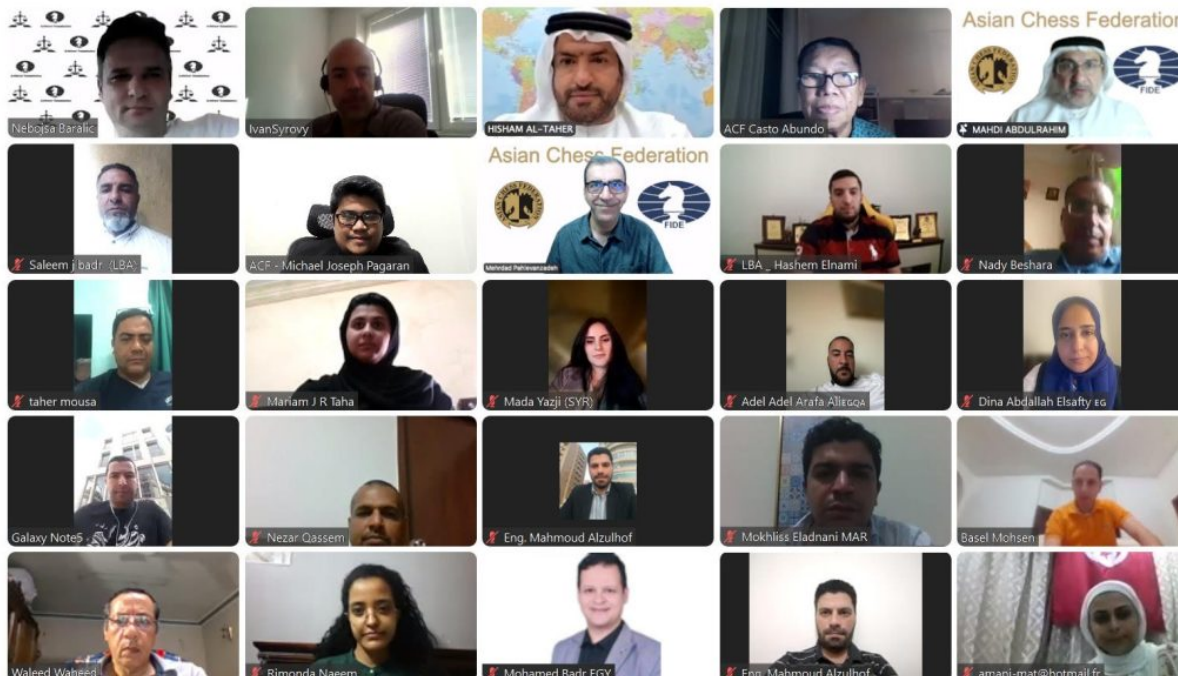
FIDE Report: [139th Internet-based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar \(Asian Chess Federation\) – Report – Arbiters' Commission](#)

ACF Report: [139th Online FIDE Arbiters' Seminar – Asian Chess](#)

FIDE Arbiters Seminar in Arabic



135th Internet Based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar 22 - 26 June 2023



A FIDE Arbiters Seminar in Arabic was organized by the Asian Chess Federation, and under the auspices of FIDE Arbiters Commission 22-26 June 2023 via Zoom.

Twenty (22) participants from ten (10) different federations participated, including nine (9) female. The participants were from Algeria, Egypt, United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Tunisia, Morocco, Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Syria and Lebanon.

FIDE Report: <https://arbiters.fide.com/news/8398>

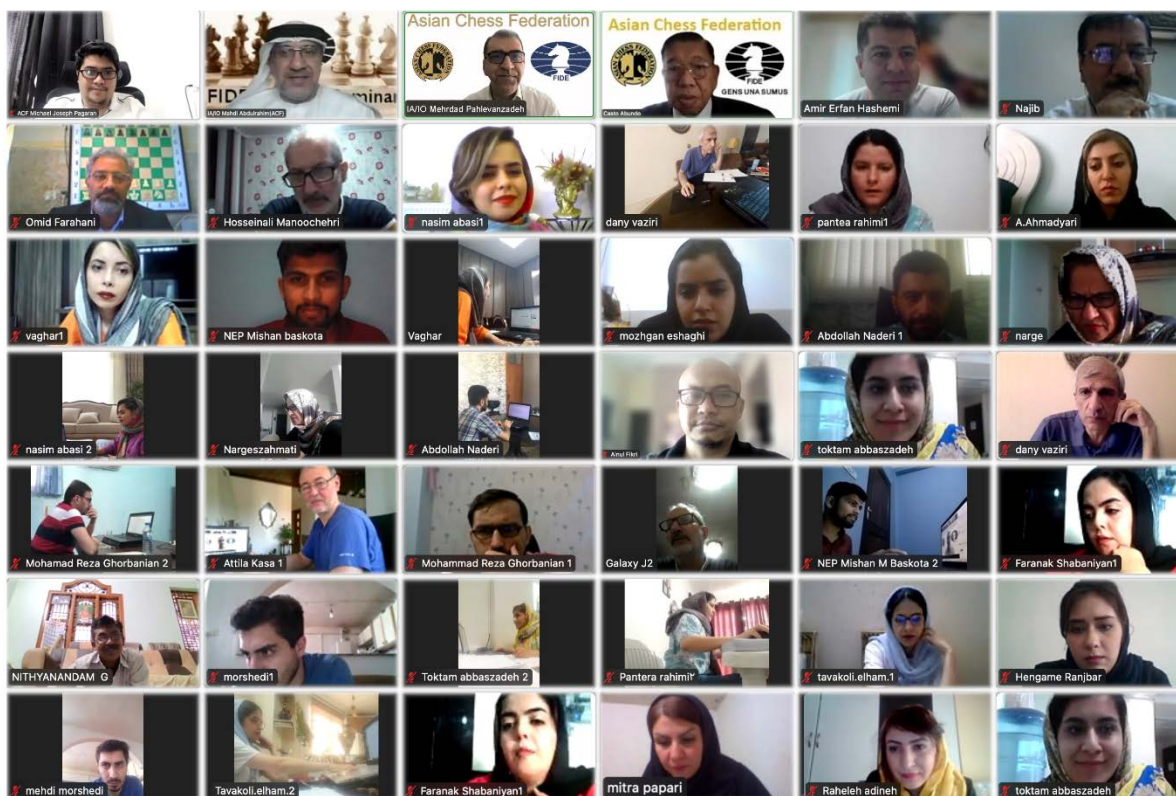
ACF Report: [135th Internet Based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar 22-26th June 2023 in Arabic – Asian Chess](#)

FIDE Arbiters Seminar (English/Persian)



134th Internet Based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar

May 25, 2023 – May 28, 2023



The 134th Internet Based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar was held from 25th to 28th May 2023. The Lecturer was IA Pahlevanzadeh, Mehrdad (IRI), FIDE Lecturer.

The Language of the Seminar was English.

Twenty-five (25) arbiters from five (5) federations (Hungary, India, Iran, Malaysia and Nepal) participated in the Seminar.

FIDE Report: [134th Internet-based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar \(Asian Chess Federation\) – Report – Arbiters' Commission](#)

ACF Report: [134th Internet Based FIDE Arbiters Seminar in English and Persian – Asian Chess](#)

FIDE Arbiters Seminar (Russian)



The FIDE Arbiters' Seminar was organized from 14th to 16th April 2023 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, by the Uzbekistan Chess Federation and Zone 3.4 FIDE President under the auspices of FIDE and Asian Chess Federation. The Seminar gathered 16 participants from Zone 3.4 FIDE countries — Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan.

The venue of the Seminar was the International Chess Academy in Tashkent.

Participants: [FIDE Arbiters' Seminar in Tashkent 2023 \(UZB\) – Report – Arbiters' Commission](#)

Report: [FIDE Arbiters Seminar in Russian Held in Uzbekistan – Asian Chess](#)

Arbiters Workshop (Russian)



The workshop was held in Korumdu village, Issyk-Kul region, Kyrgyzstan from 10th to 11th of August 2023 as a part of International children`s tournament "U.Cholponbaev Memorial ".

The Lecturer was IA/IO Turdialiev, Husan (UZB) and Assistant Lecturer was IA Krjukov, Mikhail (RUS).

The language of the Workshop was Russian. 20 arbiters from Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan took part in the Workshop.

FIDE Arbiters Workshop in Arabic

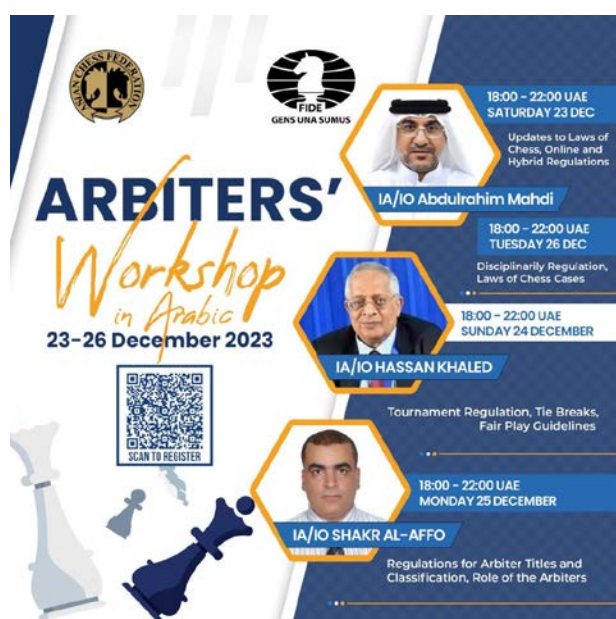


A FIDE Arbiters Workshop in Arabic was held online 23-26 December 2023.

A total of 31 students participated from 12 countries, namely Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Lebanon, Marocco, Oman, Somalia, United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

Lecturers were Asian Chess Federation Arbiters' Commission Chairman IA/IO Abdulrahim Mahdi, also counsellor of FIDE Arbiters' Commission, IA/IO Hassan Khaled of Egypt and IA/IO Shaker Al Afoo of Bahrain.

Report: [Arbiters' Workshop in Arabic Held 23-26 Dec 2023 – Asian Chess](#)



FIDE International Organizers Seminar



FIDE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZERS' SEMINAR

7 - 10 October 2023



The FIDE International Organizers Seminar was held 7-10 October via Zoom.

The Lecturers of the Seminar were IO Ozgur Solakoglu, Honorary Chairman of the FIDE Events Commission, IO Abdulrahim Mahdi, Chairman of the ACF Arbiters Commission, IO Mehrdad Pahlevanzadeh, ACF Events Director and FIDE Technical Commission Councillor, and ACF Executive Director Casto Abundo.

Nineteen (19) persons participated from seventeen (17) countries: Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, India, Iran, Japan, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Macau, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, New Zealand, Pakistan, Singapore, Tajikistan, United Arab Emirates and United States of America.

Participants: [IO-Seminar-Zoom_ACF_report.pdf \(fide.com\)](#)

Report: [FIDE Online International Organizers Seminar Held 7-10 October 2023 – Asian Chess](#)

International Organizers Seminar in Arabic



Online FIDE International Organizers Seminar

17 - 21 July 2023



FIDE IO Online Seminar was held from 17th to 21st July 2023 via Zoom.

The Lecturer of the Seminar was the FIDE Lecturer IO/IA Mahdi Abdulrahim (UAE) FIDE Chairman of the ACF Arbiters Commission. The Language of the Seminar was in Arabic.

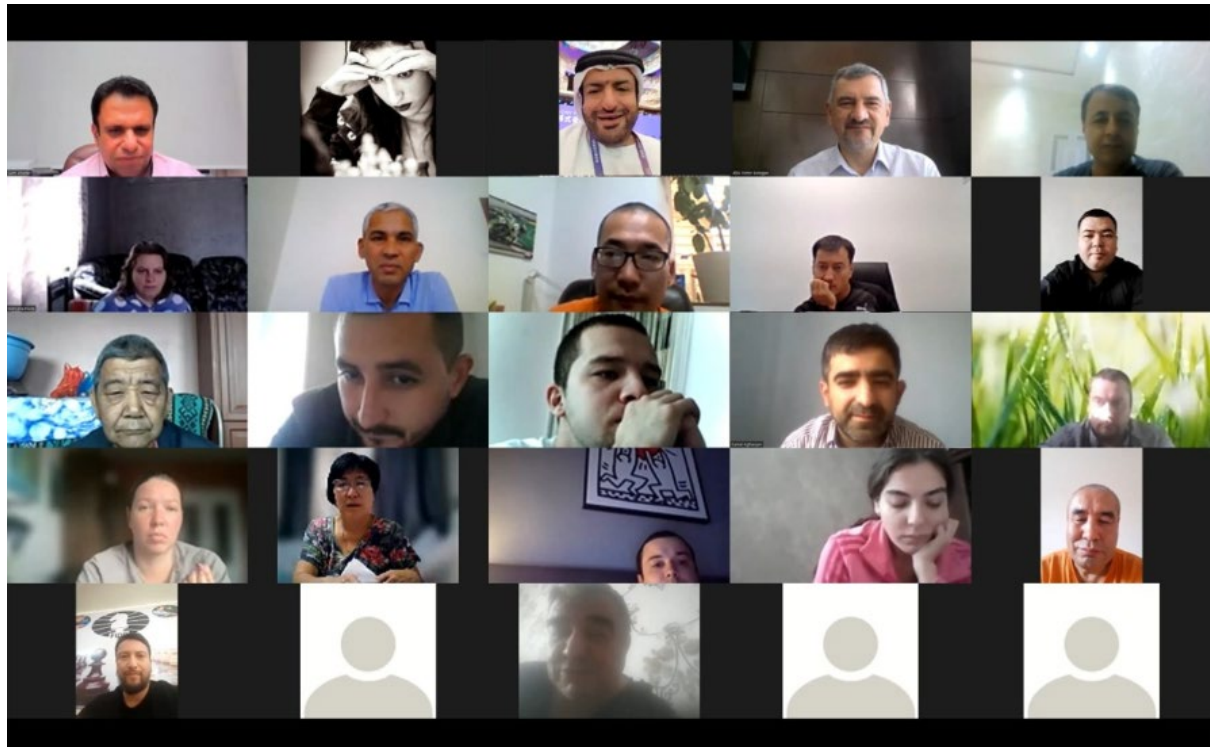
Twenty-One (21) participants registered from Nine (9) federations, namely Algeria, Kuwait, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Lebanon, Palestine, Syria and the United Arab Emirates.

FIDE Report: [FIDE-IO-Online-Seminar-Report-July-2023.pdf](#)

ACF Report: [FIDE International Organizers Seminar Held in Arabic – Asian Chess](#)

FIDE TRAINERS' SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS FOR ACF

FIDE TRAINERS' ONLINE SEMINAR – 06-08 October (Russian)

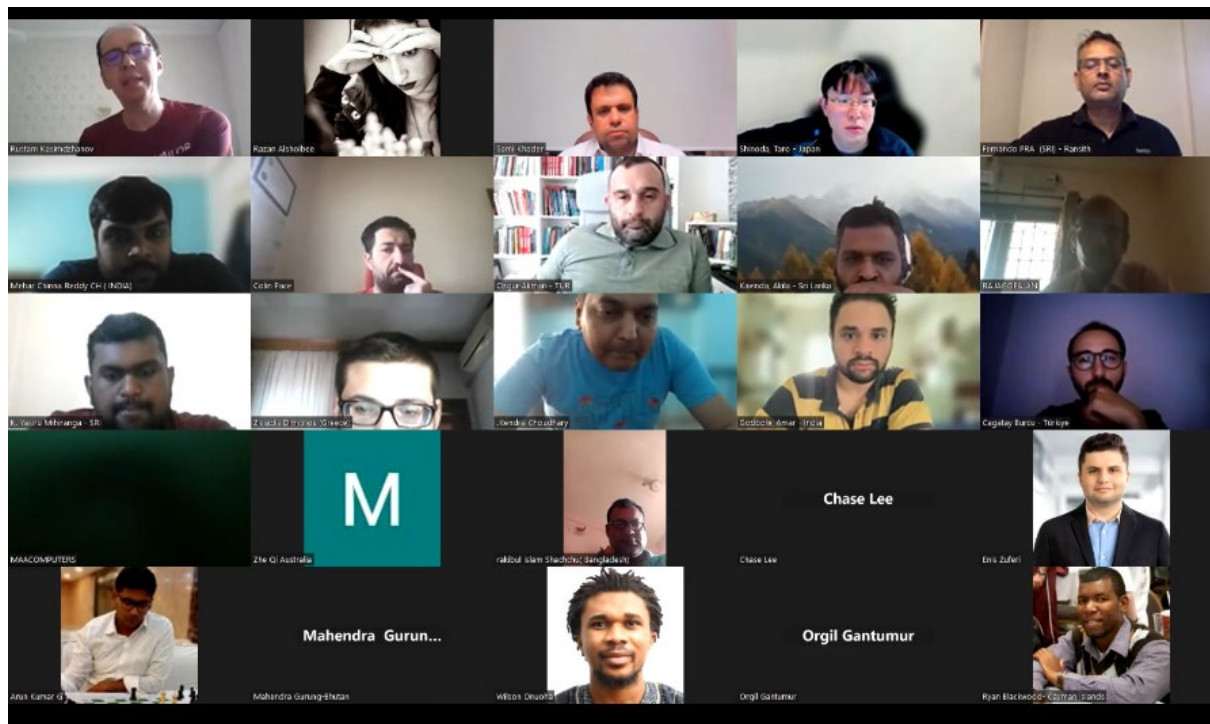


Twenty six (26) trainers from eight (8) national federations participated in the seminar.

The project has been supported by the FIDE Development Fund.

<https://trainers.fide.com/2023/10/22/results-of-the-fide-trainers-online-seminar-06-08-october-russian/>

FIDE TRAINERS' ONLINE SEMINAR – 13-15 OCTOBER 2023 (English) (Indian Sub-Continent)



Thirty one (31) trainers from twenty (20) national federations participated in the seminar.

The project has been supported by the FIDE Development Fund.

<https://trainers.fide.com/2023/11/17/results-of-the-fide-trainers-online-seminar-13-15-october-2023-english/>

FIDE TRAINERS' SEMINAR (NI/DI) – 02-04 NOVEMBER 2023 (Arabic)

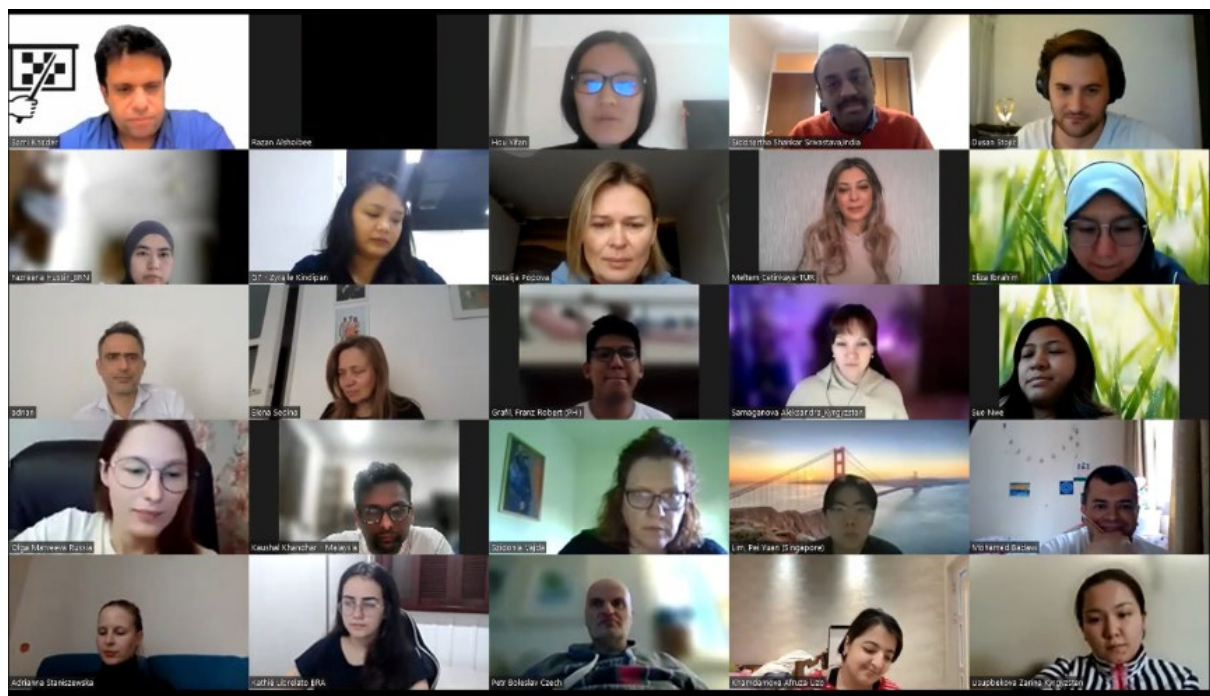
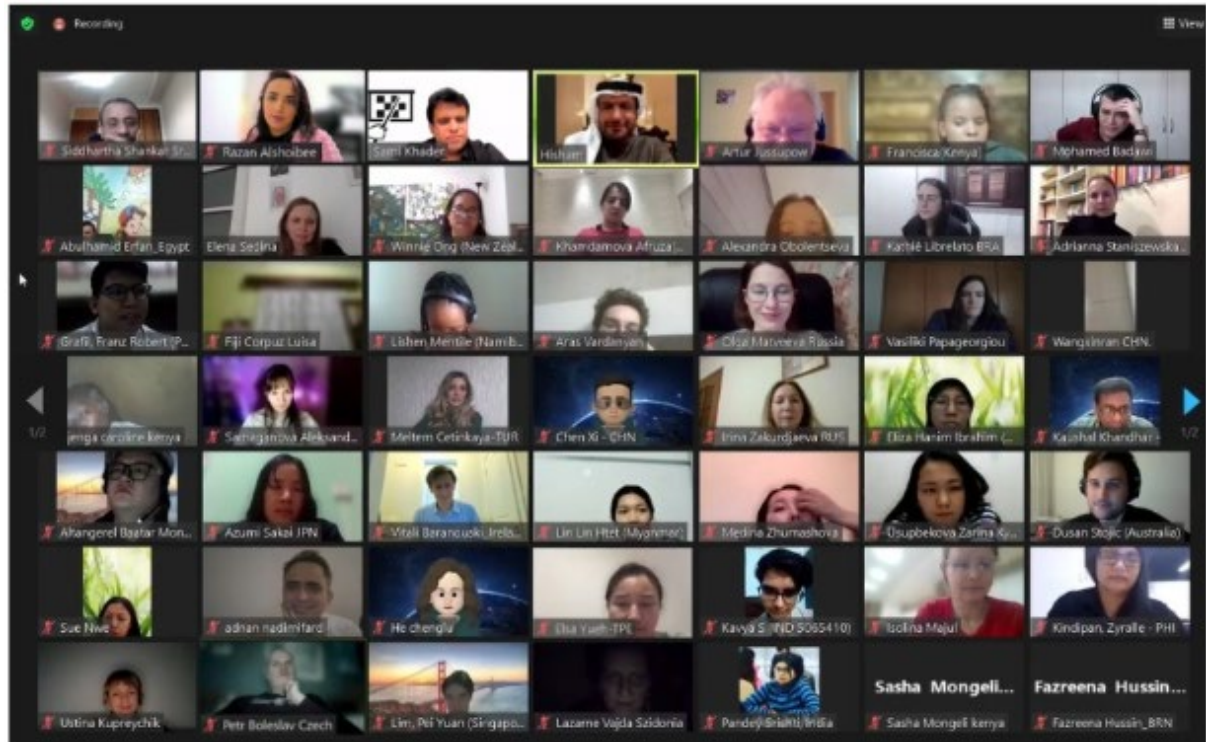


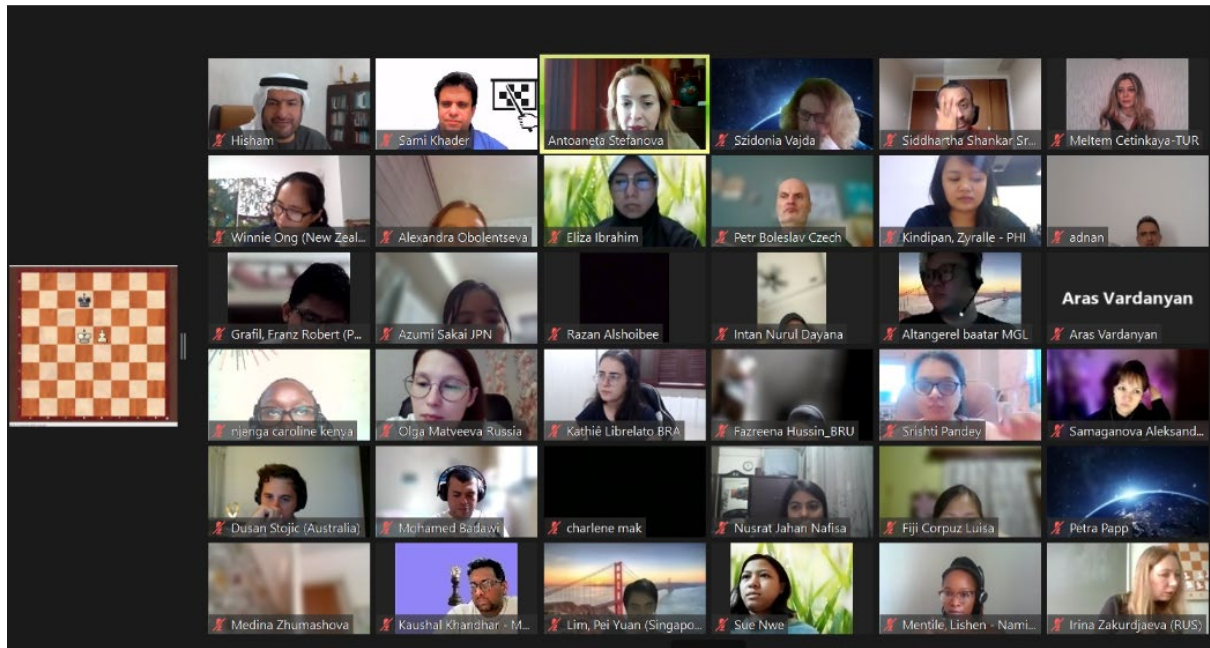
Seventeen (17) trainers from four (4) national federations participated in the seminar.

The project has been supported by the FIDE Development Fund.

<https://trainers.fide.com/2023/11/14/results-of-the-fide-trainers-seminar-ni-di-02-04-november-2023-arabic/>

FIDE TRAINERS' ONLINE SEMINAR – 02-04 FEBRUARY 2024 (ENGLISH) (for WOMEN)



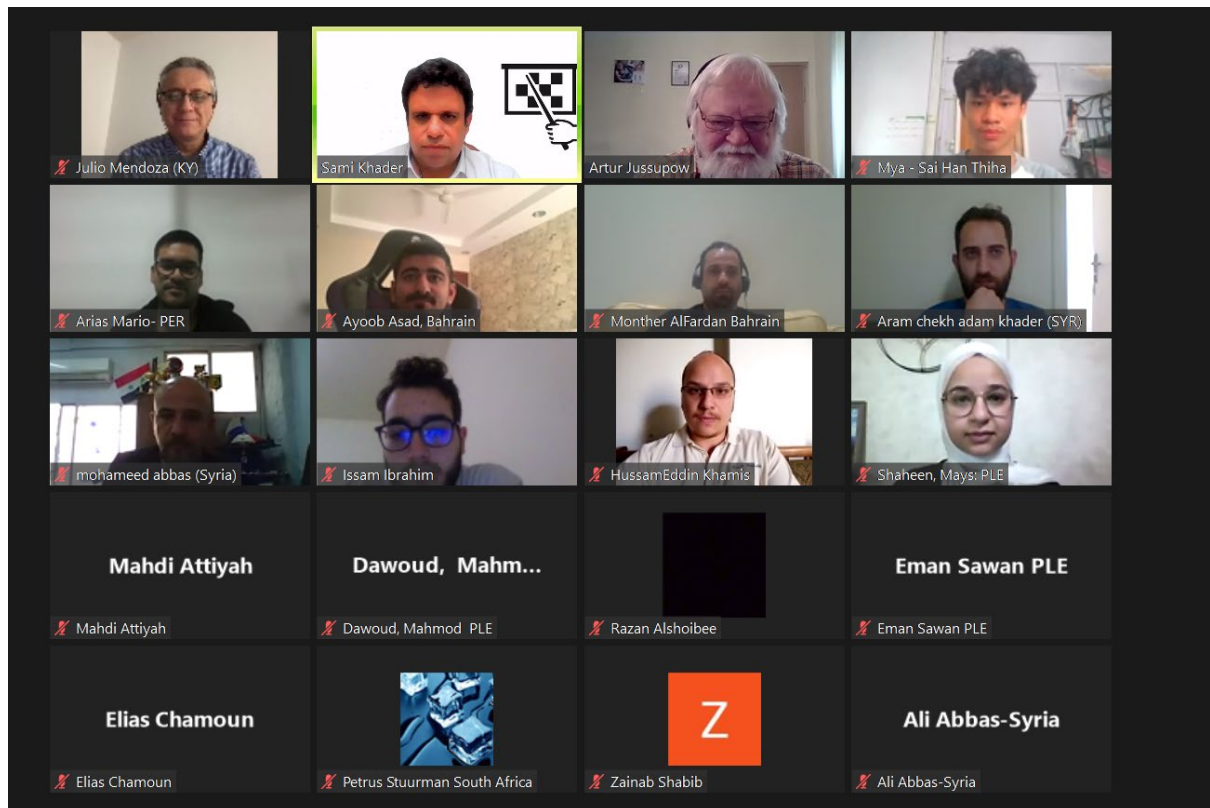


Sixty six (66) trainers from thirty seven (37) national federations participated in the seminar.

The project has been supported by the FIDE Development Fund.

<https://trainers.fide.com/2024/04/01/results-of-the-fide-trainers-online-seminar-02-04-february-2024-english/>

FIDE TRAINERS' ONLINE SEMINAR - 19-21 April 2024 (English) (Middle East)

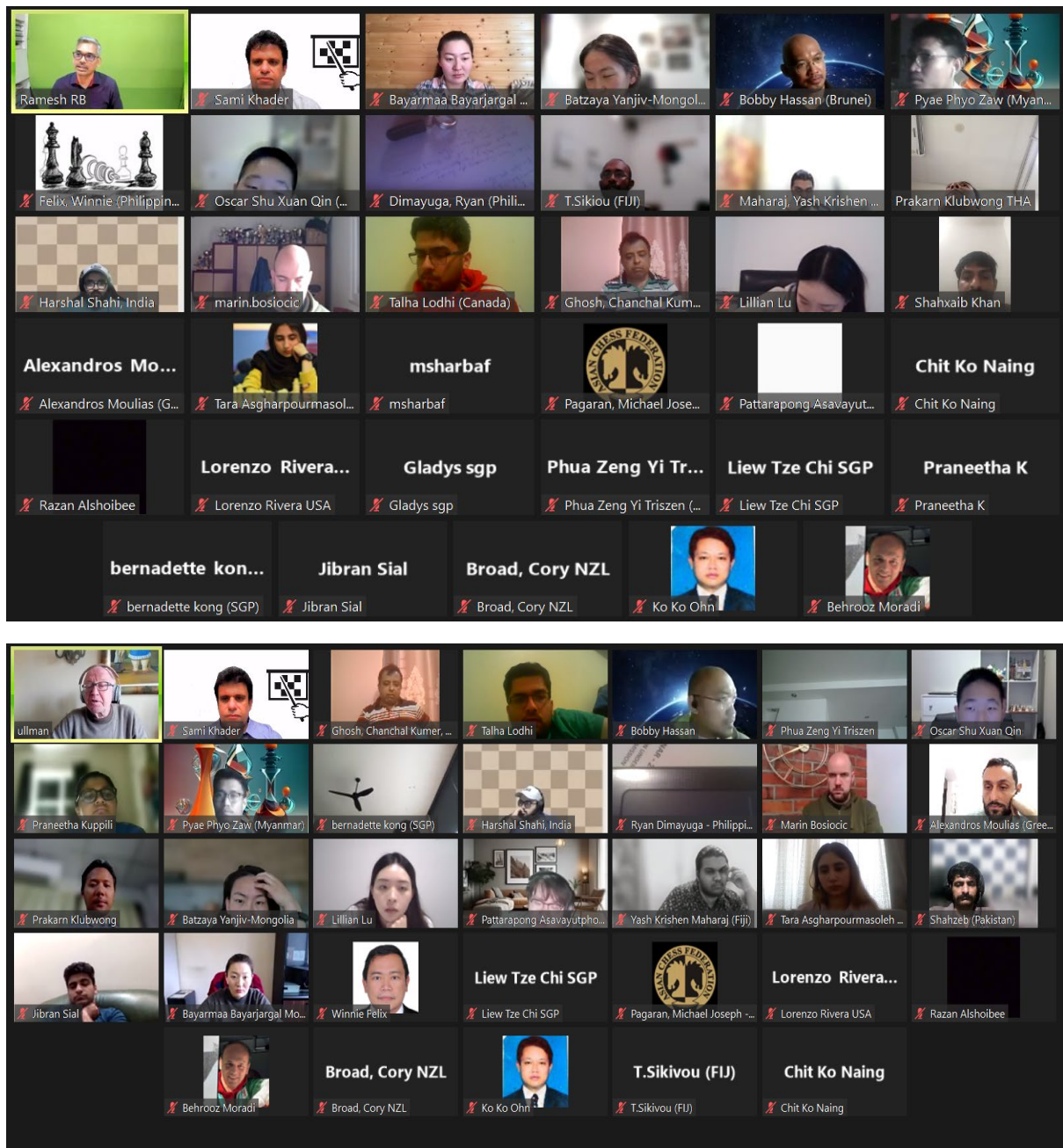


Twenty (20) trainers from ten (10) national federations participated in the seminar.

The project has been supported by the FIDE Development Fund.

<https://www.fide.com/news/2955>

FIDE TRAINERS' ONLINE SEMINAR - 26-28 April 2024 (English) (East Asia & Oceania)

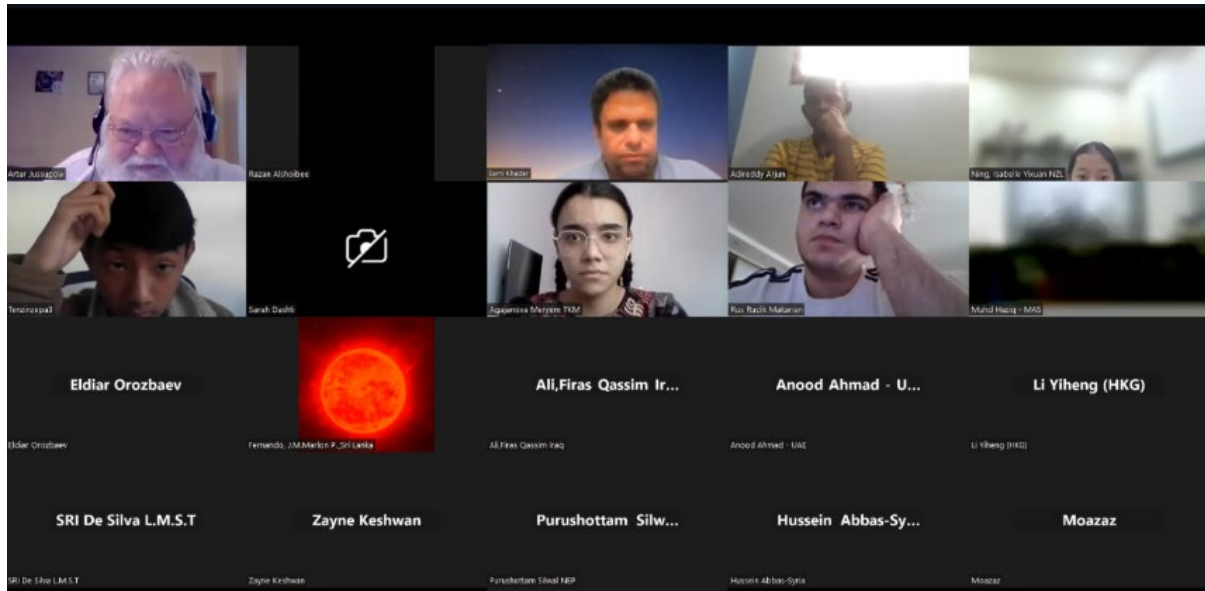


Thirty two (32) trainers from seventeen (17) national federations participated in the seminar.

The project has been supported by the FIDE Development Fund.

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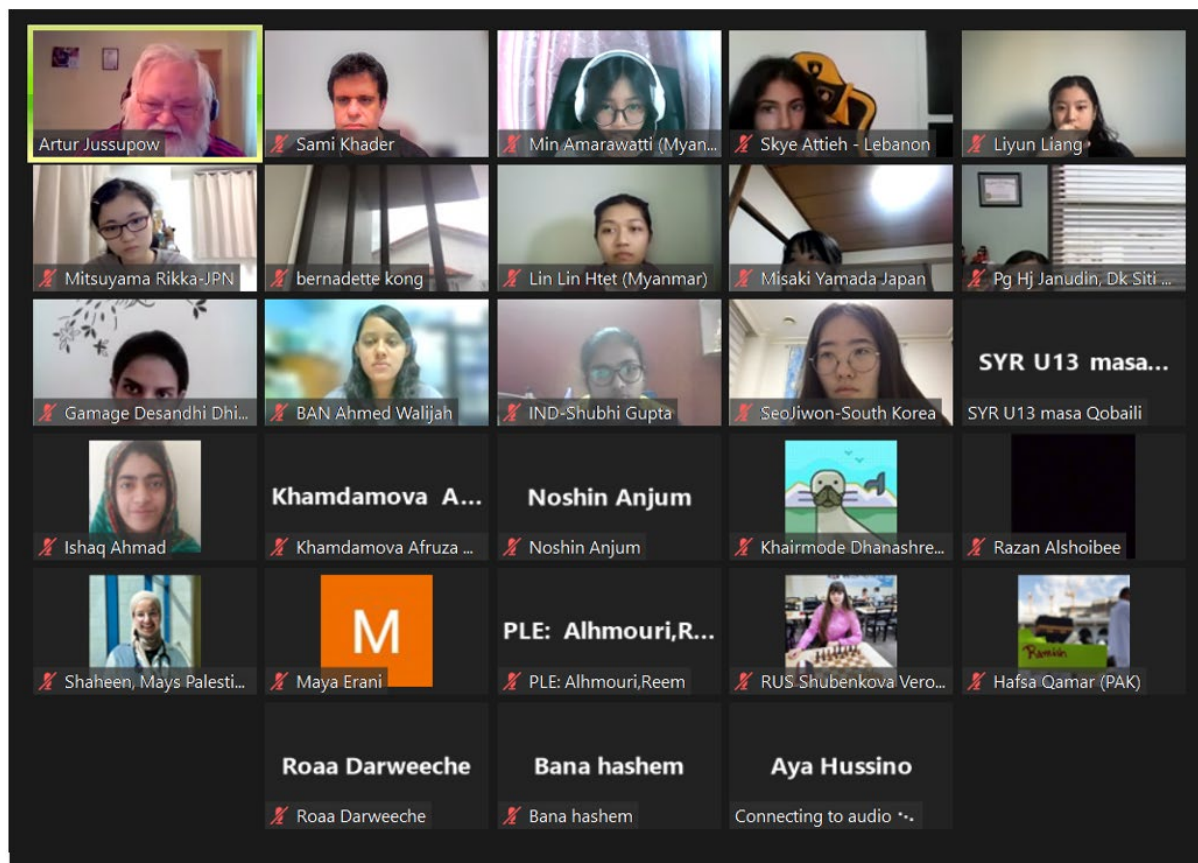
ASIAN ONLINE CHESS WORKSHOP (Open) Under-20 (English)-10 November 2023 – 12 November 2023



Twenty six (26) players from twenty two (22) national federations participated in the workshop.
The project has been supported by the FIDE Development Fund.

<https://trainers.fide.com/2023/10/31/asian-online-chess-workshop-english-the-art-of-defence-open-under-20/>

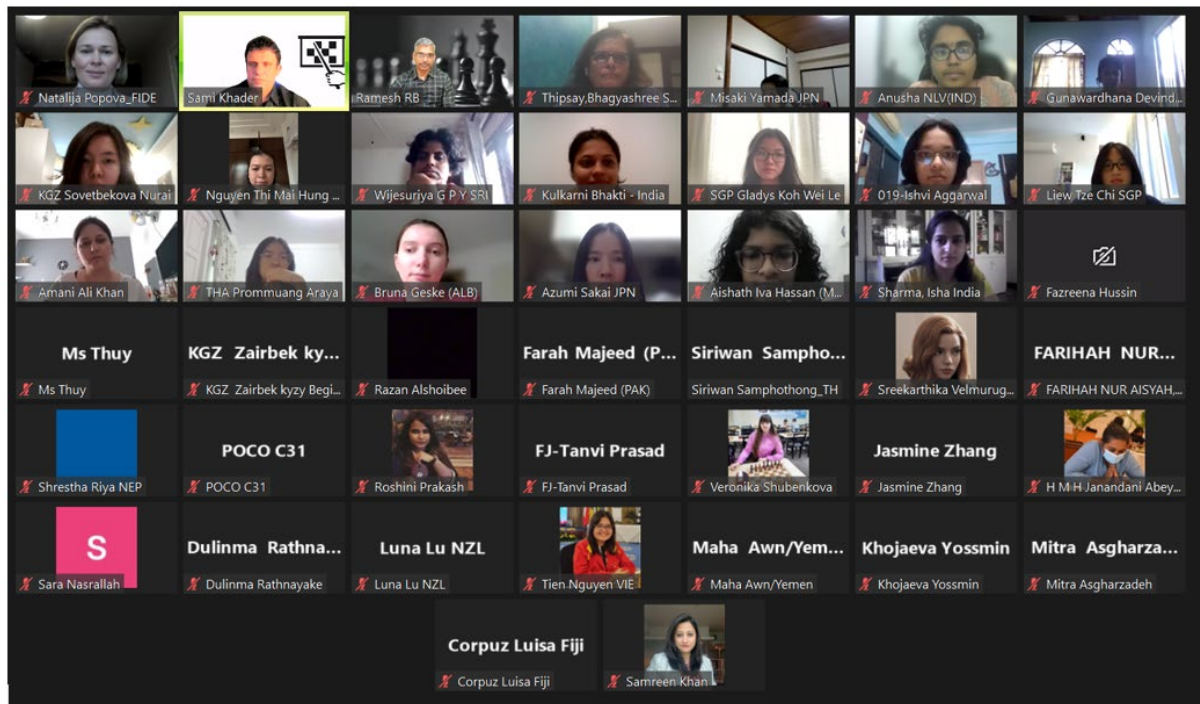
ASIAN ONLINE CHESS WORKSHOP (Girls) Under-20 (ENGLISH)-08 December 2023 – 10 December 2023



Thirty four (34) players from nineteen (19) national federations participated in the workshop.
The project has been supported by the FIDE Development Fund.

<https://trainers.fide.com/2023/11/27/asian-online-chess-workshop-girls-under-20-english/>

ASIAN ONLINE CHESS WORKSHOP FOR WOMEN (ENGLISH)-29 December 2023 – 12 January 2024



Fifty five (55) players from twenty nine (29) national federations participated in the workshop.

The project has been supported by the FIDE Development Fund.

<https://trainers.fide.com/2023/12/24/asian-online-chess-workshop-for-women-english-29-december-2023-12-january-2024/>

Zone 3.1 Men's and Women's Zonals



GM Pouria Darini and WFM Mitra Asgharzadeh won the Men's and Women's Zone 3.1 Zonal Championships, respectively, held 22-31 May 2023 in Tehran, Iran. The event was organized by the Chess Federation of the Islamic Republic of Iran under the auspices of FIDE and the Asian Chess Federation.

In photo above, Asian Chess Federation General Secretary Hisham Al Taher (left) awards the champion's trophy to GM Darini assisted by Zone 3.1 President Abdul Ameer Madhloom Dhafer (center foreground) and Iran Chess Federation president Hassan Taemini Lichaei (right). In podium are, from left, runner-up IM Arash Tahbaz, champion GM Pouria Darini and third placer CM Sobhan Zahmati.

Forty one men and 22 women participated from six countries, namely Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar and Syria.

Crosstable: <https://chess-results.com/tnr768894.aspx?lan=1&art=1&rd=9&turdet=YES&flag=30>

Report: [Pouria Darini, Mitra Asgharzadeh are Zone 3.1 Men's and Women's Zonal Champions – Asian Chess](#)

Zone 3.2 Men's and Women's Zonals



Bangladesh IM Mohammad Fahad Rahman won the honor of becoming the undefeated champion in the open section of the Bangabandhu Asian Zone-3.2 Chess Championships held 1-11 May 2023 in Dhaka, Bangladesh.



In the women's category, Bangladesh's WCM Jannatul Ferdous (above) won the honor of being the undefeated champion. Women's Candidate Master Jannat won the title

56 players from 6 countries participated in the open category and 22 players from 6 countries participated in the women's category. The winners of the two groups were awarded a total cash prize of US\$6,000.

Crosstables: <https://chess-results.com/tnr760633.aspx?lan=1&art=0&flag=30>

Report: [Mohammad Fahad Rahman and Jannatul Ferdous Win Zone 3.2 Men's and Women's Zonals – Asian Chess](#)

Zone 3.3 Men's and Women's Zonals



GM Bilguun Sumiya of Mongolia and WGM Vo Thi Kim Phung of Vietnam won the Zone 3.3 Men's and Women's Zonal Chess Championships, respectively, held 5-13 May 2023 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

The event was organized by the Indonesian Chess Federation under the auspices of FIDE and the Asian Chess Federation.

Crosstable: <https://chess-results.com/tnr759832.aspx?lan=1&art=1&rd=9&flag=30>

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Zone 3.4 Men's and Women's Zonals



Zone 3.4 Men Championship 2023									
Final Ranking after 9 Rounds									
Rk.	SNo		Name	FED	Rtg	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
Gold	1	GM	Yakubboev, Nodirbek	UZB	2630	6.5	2461	45.5	50
Silver	7	IM	Suleymenov, Alisher	KAZ	2471	6.5	2458	44.5	49
Bronze	9	IM	Atabayev, Saparmyrat	TKM	2443	6.5	2455	43.5	47.5

Zone 3.4 Women's Championship 2023									
Final Ranking after 9 Rounds									
Rk.	SNo		Name	FED	Rtg	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
Gold	9	WIM	Serikbay, Assel	KAZ	2144	6.5	2136	41	44
Silver	1	WIM	Kamalidenova, Meruert	KAZ	2350	6	2180	44	48
Bronze	4	WIM	Balabayeva, Xeniya	KAZ	2186	6	2168	43	46

The Zone 3.4 Zonals for Men and Women were held 26 May to 3 June 2023 in Dushanbe, Tajikistan, organized by the Tajikistan Chess Federation.

GM Nodirbek Yakubboev of Uzbekistan and IM Alisher Suleymenov of Kazakhstan won the top two places by tie break.

WIM Assel Seikbay (left) vs WIM Meruert Kamalidenova, both of Kazakhstan. Seikbay finished first alone with 6.5 points.

Crosstable Men: [Chess-Results Server Chess-results.com - Zone 3.4 Men Championship 2023](https://chess-results.com/zn34men2023/)

Crosstable Woen: [Chess-Results Server Chess-results.com - Zone 3.4 wom Championship 2023](https://chess-results.com/zn34wom2023/)