World Chess

2020 World Chess Candidates Tournament: Bidding

World Chess, the official organizer of the World Chess Championship Cycle, in cooperation with the World Chess Federation is pleased to open the bidding procedure for the co-hosting partner of FIDE Candidates Tournament 2020.

1. Bids should be presented not later than on 15 December 2018, 13:00 GMT by email office@worldchess.com.

2. Obligations of the co-hosting partner shall include:

    a. Prize fund in the amount of not less than 420,000 euros (net and free of any local taxes), plus FIDE fee in the amount of 20% of the prize fund;

    b. Accommodation and travel expenses for players and their teams in accordance with applicable FIDE rules and regulations, as well as FIDE representations and organizing team.

    c. Accommodation and travel expenses for 4 representatives of World Chess for the whole duration of the Event.

    d. Marketing expenses of not less than 50,000 euros for advertising in the host city;

    e. The following costs related to staging of the Event: venue of the Event, hosting of the Opening and Closing ceremony. Minimum budget for the opening/closing shall be not less than 150,000 Euros.

3. Rights and privileges of the co-hosting partner shall include:

    a. Right to appoint up to two National Sponsors for the Event (the National sponsor shall not be in conflict with FIDE World Chess Championship Cycle 2020 sponsors).

    b. Right to appoint local sponsors in the following categories:

        * City Partner;
        * Car/Auto;
        * Manufacturing/Furniture;
        * Catering;
        * Hotels;
        * Travel;

* Transport;
* VIP Program Partner /Alcohol.

c. Co-hosting partner shall be entitled to all proceeds from ticket sales to general public (150 VIP tickets for whole duration of the event shall be set aside for the World Chess's sponsors and partners).

4. World Chess will be responsible for all the obligations in relation to staging of the Event that are not expressly outlined in section 2 and shall retain all the rights in relation to the Event not expressly stated in section 3.

5. World Chess will consider the following criteria when making the final decision:

a. Visa regime;
b. Media presence and interest;
c. Accessibility by transport;
d. Hosting city brand strength;
e. Necessary infrastructure (Hotels, Internet, etc.);
f. Interests of the sponsors.

6. Inspection at the proposed venues will be made between 1st and 31 January 2019. Each bidder will bear all travel and hotel expenses for three inspectors of World Chess and FIDE.

7. World Chess reserves the right to request additional information from the bidders.

8. The successful bidder will be requested to provide a bank or governmental guarantee, which has to cover the failure to meet co-hosting partner's obligations outlined in section 2.

9. If a satisfactory proposal is received before the deadline, World Chess reserves the right to accept the proposal, hence partners are encouraged to submit their bids as soon as possible.

10. Each of the bidder shall pay a bid commission in the amount of 1,000 Euro when submitting the bid. The payment will be returned to unsuccessful candidates, once the winner is established.