

January 31st, 2019

VI. Danube Cup - Paul Darmogray Memorial (GER)

Dear Chess Friends,

The German federation, having won the 5th Danube Cup, is glad to cordially invite for the sixth edition of this prestigious team event. We invite the federations of countries the Danube river is passing through (Austria, Bulgaria, Croatia, Germany, Hungary, Romania, Slovakia and Ukraine) as well as the federations of countries neighboring at least two of the above (Czech Republic, Poland, Slovenia, Switzerland) as well as France, where Paul Darmogray was born, and Russia, who have won the 4th edition.

We aim for teams with 6 players each. As tournament organizer, Germany reserves the right to nominate a second team if needed (depending on the number of registrations). If not all of the above federations can participate, we may decide to extend the invitation to others in order to reach at approximately 11-15 teams.

We ask each federation to let us know **by Feb 15** whether they will nominate a team. Actual nomination is requested **by March 31st**. The start date will **be April 30, 2019**.

The following **target ratings** (list **2019/2**) are foreseen at the respective boards:

- Board 1: Kat. 9 - 2451+
- Board 2: Kat. 8 - 2426+
- Board 3: Kat. 7 - 2401+
- Board 4: Kat. 6 - 2376+
- Board 5: Kat. 5 - 2351+
- Board 6: Kat. 4 - 2326+

ICCF standard time control of 10 moves in 50 days with duplication after 20 days is used. 45 days of leave per year are available to each player. As usual, the placement is determined by board points ("Score"), team results counting as tie breaker.

An entry fee of **40 Euro per team** is asked free of charge. It should be transferred at the time the team is nominated, indicating as the purpose of transfer "Danube VI" and your country: Payee: Deutscher Fernschachbund e.V.; Bank name: Commerzbank Uelzen; IBAN: DE46 2584 0048 0564 6500 00; BIC: COBADEFF . For Russia and Ukraine, who are not in SEPA, other ways of payment can be found if needed.

The event is organized by IM Manfred Scheiba (GER). TD will be SIM Uwe Staroske (GER), Backup TD is IM Corky Schakel (USA).

We are looking forward to organizing a strong team tournament and hope that your federation will be able to participate!

Please don't hesitate to contact us with any question you may have.

With best regards,

Stephan Busemann, ICCF Delegate of Germany
Manfred Scheiba, TO