II INTERNATIONAL CHESS TOURNAMENT

PEPE LEUZA IN MEMORIAM

City of Pamplona

https://fnajedrez.com/memorial-pepe-leuza/

Official tournament of the International Chess Federation. Valid for FIDE ELO and international norms.
https://portal.fide.com/panel/calendar.php?id=14970
Tournament open to all players holding a valid federation licence.

1. ORGANISATION

The organisation, under the responsibility of the Navarre Chess Federation (FNA), which with full capacity to act has set up an Organising Committee formed by:

Mariano De Pablos Fernández (President of the Navarre Chess Federation)
Sergio Coellar Mideros (Tournament Director)

2. DATES, SCHEDULE AND VENUE

The competition will take place in the Salón Roma of the Hotel NH Iruña Park, located at C/ Arcadio María Larraona, 1, 31008 Pamplona, Navarre.

Dates and schedule:

Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
06-feb	07-feb	08-feb	09-feb	10-feb	11-feb	12-feb	13-feb
	10:00 **r2**						9:30 **r9**
17:30 **r1**	17:30 **r3**	17:30 **r4**	17:30 **r5**	17:30 **r6**	17:30 **r7**	17:30 **r8**	

Closing ceremony and prize-giving: saturday, february 13th 2026 at 14:30.

3. CAPACITY

Tournament limited to 200 players, in strict order of registration. Registration will not be considered complete until the proof of payment of the registration fee has been received.

Once the limit is reached, those who request it will be placed on a waiting list, entering the list of participants should any withdrawals occur.

4. GAME SYSTEM

a. A 9-round tournament, each game with a time control of 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment per move from the first move.

b. The tournament will be played under the Swiss System, with pairings according to the Baku Acceleration Method (in force since 1 February 2026). The VEGA software will be used for this purpose.

c. The pairings, results and standings will be published publicly on the

tournament website: https://fnajedrez.com/memorial-pepe-leuza/, on Info64 and Chess-Results.

d. The initial ranking will be established according to the FIDE ELO of the latest published list. In the event of an ELO tie, players will be ordered by highest title and, failing that, in alphabetical order.

5. AUTHORISED BYES

Players may request in writing THREE (3) byes of ½ point each in the first 6 rounds, provided the request is made before the publication of the round for which it is requested. Players invited by the organisation may not use this exemption, except for justified cause (for example, illness).

6. NO-SHOWS

A player is deemed absent from a game of a given round once 30 minutes have elapsed since the arbiter signals the start of the games of that round.

7. DISQUALIFICATIONS

A player will be disqualified for the following reasons:

a. Failure to appear for a game to which they have already been paired to, unless they ask the organisation in writing to continue in the tournament, also stating the reason for their absence.
b. Failure to appear for two games, with no possibility of continuing.
c. Serious misconduct.

8. APPEALS / APPEALS COMMITTEE

A decision of the Chief Arbiter may be appealed to the Appeals Committee, in writing, within the 30 minutes following the end of the game in question, under the terms authorised by the Laws of Chess. Sanctions outside the game, decided by the Chief Arbiter, are likewise appealable within the 30 minutes following their notification. To submit an appeal, a deposit of 50€ must be lodged, which will be refunded if the appeal succeeds or, even if it does not, should the Appeals Committee consider that there were well-founded grounds for its submission.

The Appeals Committee will be formed by the Tournament Director, or whoever acts in their place, with a casting vote, plus 4 players (2 members and 2 substitutes), who must be of legal age and hold an arbiter qualification. If the committee cannot be completed, the necessary players will be appointed from those with an ELO above 1900 (according to the initial ranking).

9. SOFIA RULE

The practice of pre-arranged draws without a fight on the board harms the organisation because it reduces the interest of the spectacle, and even more so when the games are broadcast electronically.

In this tournament, draws may not be offered before move 30 (thirty) by each side.

Players may neither offer nor accept a draw until the established minimum number of moves has been completed. If a player wishes to offer a draw before the aforementioned limit, they need the arbiter's consent.

10. TIE-BREAKS

a. Buchholz – 2 (Baku 2023)
b. Buchholz – 1 (Baku 2023)
c. Progressive Score Sum
d. Sonneborn-Berger (Baku 2023)

11. REGISTRATION AND FEES

Registrations may be made until **wednesday february 3th of 2027** through the tournament website. The registration form can be accessed on this website.

https://fnajedrez.com/memorial-pepe-leuza/

REGISTRATION FEE BEFORE 03/02/2027
GENERAL 50€

GM, IM, WGM, WIM: INVITED

1. The fee may only be paid by bank transfer to the account of:

FEDERACIÓN NAVARRA DE AJEDREZ
La Caixa
IBAN
ES07 2100 3693 2222 0002 7214

2. Filling in all the information requested in the registration form.

https://forms.gle/xPe4KKsrDT1VifSs5

Registration will not be considered complete until the following are received at the e-mail address memorialpepeleuza@fnajedrez.com:

1. the proof of payment of the registration fee; and
2. the duly completed form

The fee will be refunded to players who withdraw in writing before the publication of round 1. If a player is found to be registered in other tournament(s) coinciding in dates with the II International Chess Tournament – Pepe Leuza in Memoriam, the fee will not be refunded.

In case of any problem or special situation, you may send an e-mail to memorialpepeleuza@fnajedrez.com

12. PRIZES

8,700€ IN PRIZES

The prizes listed below will be subject to the tax withholdings applicable under current Spanish law.

Winners of cash prizes must present ID/passport and bank account details for the transfer.

Please note that:

- *Cash prizes are NOT cumulative.*
- *For the ELO-band categories, the ELO set by the initial ranking will apply.*
- *To qualify for the Navarre-player category, you must be registered as a resident in a municipality of the Chartered Community of Navarre.*

TABLA DE PREMIOS		
GENERAL	1º	2000 € + TROFEO
	2º	1500 € + TROFEO
	3º	1000 € + TROFEO
	4º	700 €
	5º	600 €
	6º	500 €
	7º	400 €
	8º	300 €
	9º	200 €
	10º	200 €
CATEGORIAS ESPECIALES	MEJOR JUGADOR NAVARRO	200 € + SILLA ANTUNEZ
	MEJOR VETERANO(1967-abajo)	200 € + TROFEO
	MEJOR FEMENINA	200 € + TROFEO
	MEJOR TRAMO ELO 2199-2100	100 €
	MEJOR TRAMO ELO 2099-2000	100 €
	MEJOR TRAMO ELO 1999-1900	100 €
	MEJOR TRAMO ELO 1899-1800	100 €
	MEJOR TRAMO ELO 1799-1700	100 €
	MEJOR TRAMO ELO 1699-1600	100 €
	MEJOR TRAMO ELO 1599-abajo	100 €
	MEJOR PARTIDA	LIBRO AUTOGRAFIADO GM DE LA VILLA
	MEJOR SUB 16(nacidos 2011-12)	TROFEO+LIBRO
	MEJOR SUB 14(nacidos 2013-14)	TROFEO+LIBRO
	MEJOR SUB 12(nacidos 2015 y siguientes)	TROFEO+LIBRO
		8.700 €

13. ANTI-CHEATING MEASURES

To ensure the integrity and fairness of the tournament, the following anti-cheating measures will be implemented:

- Strict prohibition of electronic devices: it is forbidden to carry any electronic device in the playing hall. A secure custody area will be provided for players who need to deposit their devices before the game.

• Random cheating-detection checks: inspections will be carried out with metal detectors, and random checks may be conducted during and after the games.

• Use of technological detection tools: games will be analysed with specialised software to detect anomalous playing patterns.

• Additional observers and judges: specialised personnel will be on hand to detect suspicious behaviour within the playing hall.

• Strict consequences: any player caught cheating will be immediately disqualified and reported to the relevant chess authorities (FIDE, FEDA).

14. DATA TRANSFER. USE OF IMAGES AND VIDEOS

Tournament participants accept the transfer of their personal data and authorise the use of the images and videos captured during the event for the purpose of promoting, publicising and disseminating the event and future events in digital and printed media and on social networks. This authorisation includes the organisers' right to use such material without time limit and without the need for financial compensation.

Should any participant, or the legal representative of a minor, object to the use of their image, they must notify the organisation in writing before the start of the tournament in order to follow the procedures established for such cases, so that they do not prevent the publication of images in which the applicant is not identifiable or does not appear. This excludes images taken and disseminated by the media, since it is a public event.

15. HOTEL OFFER

NH Pamplona Iruña Park
Arcadio Mª Larraona, 1, 31008 Pamplona España
Reservations +34 91 600 81 46 **Tel.:** +34 94 8197119
https://www.minor-hotels.com/es/eventsweb/ii-memorial-pepe-leuza
Special rate for tournament attendees. Buffet breakfast included

Single Room	65€ + 10% VAT per night
Double Room	75€ + 10% VAT per night
Double Room + extra bed	100€ + 10% VAT per night
Half board: If you wish to add half board during your stay, the supplement is 23€ per person per night. Includes dinner (drinks not included). This amount will be added to the total accommodation price.	**Full board:** If you wish to add full board during your stay, the supplement is 45€ per person per night. Includes lunch and dinner (drinks not included). This amount will be added to the total accommodation price.

16. OTHER RELEVANT ASPECTS

a. The moves of the games must be recorded legibly on the scoresheets provided by the organisation.

b. For any question or clarification regarding the tournament, you may get in touch by e-mail at the following address: memorialpepeleuza@fnajedrez.com

c. Registration in the tournament implies acceptance of these regulations.

d. Special attention will be paid to players' hygiene. Should any participant fail to maintain minimum hygiene conditions, such that the other players are disturbed by the situation, that person will first be warned, leading in the second instance to expulsion from the tournament.

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