

FIDE ELECTIONS 2026

ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Candidates,

FIDE is pleased to announce that the FIDE Congress will be held in Samarkand, Uzbekistan between **20 September 2026** and **27 September 2026**. The Meeting of the General Assembly will take place on **26-27 September 2026**, when the elections will be completed. You are welcome to save the dates in your calendar.

The Elections will take place for the following positions and in accordance with the following timelines in which applications can be submitted:

- the positions of President and Deputy President (on a joint ticket)– no later than **26 July 2026, 6.00 PM, CET time inclusive**
- the position of elected Vice President – no later than **26 August 2026, 6.00 PM, CET time inclusive**
- the position of Zonal President – no later than **26 August 2026, 6.00 PM, CET time inclusive**

FIDE invites all interested persons to submit Candidate Application Forms (attached hereto) to office@fide.com. Please note that electronic signatures or even scanned signatures on a pdf document can be considered valid if there are no doubts about the origin and the attribution of the document.

FIDE also informs that the Candidate Application Forms must be endorsed by letters of support from Member Federations (recommended form attached hereto) under the following rules:

- each candidacy for the Presidential ticket must be endorsed by nominations from at least five (5) Member Federations, among them at least one (1) from each of the four (4) FIDE Continents, but by no more than eight (8) Member Federations in total;
- each candidacy for the position of elected Vice President must be endorsed by nominations from at least three (3) Member Federations;

Please consider that each Member Federation is entitled to endorse only one (1) Presidential ticket, as well as one (1) candidacy for one of the positions listed above.

Please note that the electoral campaigning and promotion of candidatures are allowed only to the extent permitted under the Electoral Rules and during the electoral period. The electoral period starts three (3) months before elections. Promotion means any act or action that may enhance the level of awareness of a particular candidature. It includes advertising, campaigns or any organised or planned action for the election of a candidate. Electoral campaigning shall be understood as any activity undertaken by candidates or those acting or working for them with the aim of canvassing votes.

Please be reminded that the "short statement" provided in Section 2.1 of the CANDIDATE APPLICATION FORM, together with the Candidate's full name, will be published.

If you have any questions, please email them to FIDE Office at office@fide.com.

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RECOMMENDED FORM OF NOMINATION FROM THE MEMBER FEDERATION

I, _____
(title in the Federation)

on behalf of the _____
(name of Federation)

hereby nominate _____
(specify the first and last name)

as a candidate for _____
(specify position)

I am informed that each Member Federation is entitled to endorse only one candidate for each elected position. I understand that no endorsement can be withdrawn once approved and communicated.

Signature

Full name

Date

RECOMMENDED FORM OF NOMINATION FROM THE MEMBER FEDERATION

I, _____ on behalf of the
(title in the Federation)

(name of Federation)

hereby nominate the following presidential ticket:

_____ as a candidate for the FIDE President
(specify the first and last name)

_____ as a candidate for the FIDE Deputy President
(specify the first and last name)

I am informed that each Member Federation is entitled to endorse only one candidate for each elected position. I understand that no endorsement can be withdrawn once approved and communicated.

Signature

Full name

Date