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The Chess Confederation of the Americas – CCA and the Brazilian Chess Federation – CBX, are pleased to invite all the Chess Federations of the American Continent, to the **XVIII American Continental Chess Championship 2025**, which will be held from May 23<sup>rd</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025, (Friday to Saturday) in the city of Foz do Iguaçu, Paraná, Brazil.

#### **VENUE**



#### Hotel Golden Park Internacional Foz & Convenções

Rua Almirante Barroso, 2006, Centro - Foz do Iguaçu/PR https://maps.app.goo.gl/SGrkUeoazoSUmwvr5

#### **PARTICIPANTS**

<u>OFFICIAL PLAYERS:</u> They have the right to accommodation and full meals at the expense of the organization (from dinner on Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, to breakfast on Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>). They will be accommodated in a double room base, they will have to be designated and communicated to the organization by the presidents of each Zone, final date, until Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

- a) The current Pan American U20 Champion (Junior);
- b) One appointee of the Continental President;
- c) Up to 3 (three) chess players from Zone 2.1;
- d) One chess player from Zone 2.2;
- e) Up to 2 (two) from each of the Zones: 2.3, 2.4 and 2.5;

**EXTRA PLAYERS:** The Absolute Continental is an Open tournament (with no minimum FIDE ELO requirement), and each National Federation may register as many extra players they wish. All players must have the endorsement of their Federation belonging to the Chess Confederation for America registered in FIDE, unless otherwise indicated by CCA.

# **SCHEDULE**

Day	Morning	Afternoon	Night
May 23 <sup>rd</sup> (Friday)	FREE	Opening – 4pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Round – 7pm
May 24 <sup>th</sup> (Saturday)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Round – 10am	FREE	3 <sup>rd</sup> Round – 7pm
May 25 <sup>th</sup> (Sunday)	FREE	FREE	4 <sup>th</sup> Round – 7pm
May 26 <sup>th</sup> (Monday)	5 <sup>th</sup> Round – 10am	FREE	6 <sup>th</sup> Round – 7pm
May 27 <sup>th</sup> (Tuesday)	Blitz 1st selective – 10am	FREE	7 <sup>th</sup> Round – 7pm
May 28 <sup>th</sup> (Wednesday)	Blitz 2 <sup>nd</sup> selective – 10am	FREE	8 <sup>th</sup> Round – 7pm
May 29 <sup>th</sup> (Thursday)	Blitz 3 <sup>rd</sup> selective – 10am	FREE	9 <sup>th</sup> Round – 7pm
May 30 <sup>th</sup> (Friday) Blitz FINAL – 10 am		FREE	10 <sup>th</sup> Round – 7pm
May 31st (Saturday)	11 <sup>th</sup> Round – 10am	Closing – 4pm	FREE

# **REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS**

Registrations are made exclusively through the National Federations by sending an email to <u>americancontinental25@gmail.com</u> until Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025. Federations must send the data of their official and extra players: full name, identification document, FIDE identification number, email and telephone number. Registration and hotel reservation will be made with the validation of the air ticket; If other registration methods are established, they will be promptly communicated.







### **OFFICIAL HOTEL - PLAYING VENUE!**



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# **PACKAGE:** Registration + Arancel CCA + Hotel with breakfast

Туре	Check-In (after 2pm)	Check-Out (until 12pm)	Nights	Total per person
SINGLE	May 23 <sup>rd</sup> (Friday)	May 31 <sup>st</sup> (Saturday)	8	USD 655
SINGLE	Extra night (per person)		1	USD 58
DOUBLE	May 23 <sup>rd</sup> (Friday)	May 31 <sup>st</sup> (Saturday)	8	USD 525
	Extra nigh	t (per person)	1	USD 42
TRIPLE	May 23 <sup>rd</sup> (Friday)	May 31 <sup>st</sup> (Saturday)	8	USD 455
	Extra night	t (per person)	1	USD 34

Players who do not stay at the official hotel must pay a penalty of USD 125.

Reservations and payment must be made <u>ONLY</u> with the event organization:

americancontinental25@gmail.com

### **REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT**

	TYPE	Until May 2 <sup>nd</sup>
1	Registration STD - without hotel	USD 100
2	ARANCEL CCA STD - without hotel	USD 100
3	Blitz selective (each one) - Registration + ARANCEL CCA	USD 40

<sup>\*</sup> After the dates provided, registrations are subject to approval by the organization with an increase of up to 100%.

# Registrations are personal and non-transferable. No credits or refunds will be made.

Registrations must be made by email: <a href="mailto:americancontinental25@gmail.com">americancontinental25@gmail.com</a> providing the following information: name, identification document, FIDE ID, email and telephone number.

Payments should be made by bank transfer or on the arrival day in cash (in this case, the confirmation of the flight is required to be sent by email together with the registration).

Account holder: Kaiser Luiz Mafra Routing number: 026073150 Swift/BIC: CMFGUS33

**Account number:** 8311222753

Bank name and address: Community Federal Savings Bank 89-16 Jamaica Ave,

Woodhaven NY, 11421 United States

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Chief Organizer: IO, IA, FT, CM Kaiser Mafra: +55 (48) 9.9835-6666 (WhatsApp)

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#### **AWARDS**

The first four (4) qualify for the "FIDE World Cup" phase of the Absolute World Championship cycle. The tournament will award titles and norms according to the <u>FIDE Handbook</u>. Awards will be given only to athletes present at the closing ceremony.

### **MONEY PRIZES: USD 20.0000**

Place	Prize	Award
1 <sup>st</sup>	USD 5.000	Trophy
2 <sup>nd</sup>	USD 4.000	Trophy
3 <sup>rd</sup>	USD 3.000	Trophy
4 <sup>th</sup>	USD 2.000	Medal
5 <sup>th</sup>	USD 1.000	Medal
6 <sup>th</sup>	USD 900	Medal
7 <sup>th</sup>	USD 800	Medal
8 <sup>th</sup>	USD 700	Medal
9 <sup>th</sup>	USD 600	Medal
10 <sup>th</sup>	USD 500	Medal
1 <sup>st</sup> Best female	USD 300	Trophy
2 <sup>nd</sup> Best female	USD 200	Trophy
3 <sup>rd</sup> Best female	USD 100	Trophy
1st Best Veteran (+65)	USD 300	Trophy
1 <sup>st</sup> Best Senior (+50)	USD 300	Trophy
1 <sup>st</sup> Best Master (+35)	USD 300	Trophy

# **TECHNICAL REGULATIONS**

Rate of play: 90 minutes with 30 seconds increment from move 1.

Number of rounds: The tournament will be played in 11 (eleven) rounds, Swiss System.

**Default time:** The delay tolerance limit will be 30 minutes from start the round.

Pieces, boards and digital clocks will be provided by the organization and will be available for all.

# **TIE-BREAK CRITEREA (in order)**

If at the end of the tournament, two or more players are tied, the tie shall be broken as follows:

- Buchholz Cut 1
- Buchholz
- Sonneborn-Berger
- Cumulative system Sum of Progressive Scores
- Direct encounter
- The greater number of wins including forfeits
- The greater number of wins with Black pieces

If a tie remains, lottery.

# **ELECTRONIC AND COMMUNICATION DEVICES**

During the game, it is forbidden to carry or use electronic and communication devices (smartwatch, tablet, cell phone). Failure to comply with this measure will be penalized with the loss of the game.







## **RESULTS AND PHOTOS**

The official website of the event is www.cbx.org.br and www.fideamerica.net where the results and photos of the event will be published. The participant or person responsible authorizes the use of the image free of charge, for the purpose of dissemination in printed or digital material for informational purposes.

## **APPEALS COMMITTEE**

The CCA and the Organizer will appoint the president and two (2) other members of the Appeals Committee, as well as two (2) reserve members, all from different national chess federations. All names will be announced no later than the start of the Technical Meeting before Round 1. None of the three (3) members of the Appeals Committee may judge a dispute involving a player from their national chess federation. A reserve member takes his place in such case. Only a player or a delegation leader can file a protest. All protests will be submitted to the Appeals Committee in writing no more than one (1) hour after the completion of the relevant game, or an alleged occurrence of a reported infraction. Each protest must be accompanied by a deposit fee of one hundred (100) US dollars.

# **HONORARY COMMITTEE**

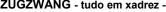
IO José Carrillo Pujol – CCA President

GM Darcy Lima – Continental Advisor for Americas

IA Máximo Igor Miranda de Macedo – CBX President

IO Kaiser Luiz Mafra – CBX Technical Vice-President







#### **FLIGHTS**









The official travel partner is ChessTrips, the perfect travel agency for chess players! ChessTrips guarantees low-cost flights and offers travel support for participants of the 2025 Absolute Continental Championship. The goal is to make your trip to Foz do Iguaçu - Paraná easier and more affordable, allowing more athletes to participate in the event.

Get in touch and secure the best rates: Instagram: instagram.com/chesstrips

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# AMERICAN CONTINENTAL BLITZ CHAMPIONSHIP 2025

The American Continental Blitz Championship 2025 will be played in 2 stages: qualifiers and final. There will be 3 (three) selective tournaments, each one qualifying 9 (nine) players to the closed final. The final will have 30 (thirty) players, 27 qualified from the selective phase and 3 wildcards from the organization.

The selective tournaments are open to any player with a FIDE ID, and must be registered according to the same procedure of the Standard tournament: <a href="mailto:americancontinental25@gmail.com">americancontinental25@gmail.com</a>. The participants can play more than one selective. If a qualified player compete and gets qualified again, the spot will be taken by the next which is not qualified and so on.

#### **SCHEDULE:**

Day	Morning	
May 27 <sup>th</sup> (Tuesday)	day) Blitz 1 <sup>st</sup> selective – 10am	
May 28 <sup>th</sup> (Wednesday)	Blitz 2 <sup>nd</sup> selective – 10am	
May 29 <sup>th</sup> (Thursday)	Blitz 3 <sup>rd</sup> selective – 10am	
May 30 <sup>th</sup> (Friday)	Blitz FINAL – 10 am	

### **TECHNICAL REGULATIONS**

Rate of play: 3 minutes with 2 seconds increment from move 1.

**Number of rounds:** Each selective tournament will be played in 7 (seven) rounds, Swiss System. The grand final will be played in 9 (nine) rounds, Swiss System.

**Default time:** The delay tolerance limit will be the time on the clock.

### **TIE-BREAK CRITEREA (in order)**

If at the end of the tournament, two or more players are tied, the tie shall be broken as follows:

- Buchholz Cut 1
- Buchholz
- Sonneborn-Berger
- Cumulative system Sum of Progressive Scores
- Direct encounter
- The greater number of wins including forfeits
- The greater number of wins with Black pieces

If a tie remains, lottery.

PRIZES: 1.000 USD in money