

Invitation to the 26th European Xiangqi Championship at Yu-Garden in Hamburg on 11.+12. Sep 2010

German Xiangqi Association (DXB) (www.chinaschach.de) will undertake the 26th European Xiangqi Championship in Hamburg on 11-12 September 2010. The tournament is listed as one of the key events on the occasion of Hamburg ChinaTime Festival 2010 for the celebration of Shanghai World Expo.

Meanwhile DXB will invite Chinese Xiangqi Association (CXA) Grandmaster delegation to visit Hamburg and make simultaneous playing show game during the event.

All the friends and Xiangqi fans are invited to European Xiangqi Championship, regardless of master, beginner or look-ons.

Event venue:

Shanghai Yu-Garden, Feldbrunnenstrasse 67, D-20148 Hamburg-Germany

(www.yugarden.de) (directly behind the Voelkerkundemuseum).

Taxis and Airport Express Bus are readily available at Hamburg International Airport (HAM) outside the airport's Terminal 1 and Terminal 4. The journey from HAM into Yu-Garden in central Hamburg will take around 20 minutes (12km, 30+ EUR for taxi fare). For public transportation the newly built S-Bahn will lead directly from HAM to Central Railway Station (Hamburg Hauptbahnhof) and then transfer with subway (U1) and get off at Hallerstrasse (4 stops).

Hamburg Time Zone: 1 hour ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT + 1:00)

Regulation and Timing: 7 rounds Swiss System, WXF Rules, 60 minutes per party per game.

Tournament Schedule:

Saturday: 10.00 – 10.45h Check-in/on-site registration

10.45 - 11.00h Openings/rules explanation/drawing

11.00 - 13.00h 1. Round

13.00 - 13.30h Lunch break

13.30 - 15.30h 2. Round

15.45 - 17.45h 3. Round

18.00 - 20.00h 4. Round

20.15 - open end: Get-together dinner

(Simultaneous playing show game by Chinese GM)

Sunday:

09.00 - 11.00h 5. Round

11.15 - 13.15h 6. Round

13.15 - 13.45h Lunch break

13.45 - 15.45h 7. Round

16.00 - 16.30h Closing & awarding

Prize Fund:

3,000 EUR in total for the winners of individual (1-8), team (integrated 1-3), best scoring for Non-Asian players (1-6), best woman player and best youth player.

Entrance fee:

Each player will be charged 25 EUR for covering partial organizational cost, students and pupil 50% discount.

Accommodation: It is strongly recommended to book the hotel earlier in the peak season. Economically recommended is e.g. ETAP-Hotel Wandsbeker Zollstr. 25 – 29, 22041 HH, Tel. 040/ 20 94 75 20, EZ 49 €, DZ 60 €. Hotel reservation could be contacted by Tourismus-Zentrale Hamburg, Steinstr. 7, 20095 HH; Tel.:040/ 300 51 300; Fax: 040/ 300 51 333. or www.Hotelreservierung.de/Hamburg

Meals:

Special price with Yu-Garden Chinese Teahouse Restaurant with 3 meals package totally 40 EUR including 2 lunch-box and 1 round-table dinner with catering service.

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On-site registration is also possible directly at the playing venue prior to the 1st round.