



FMJD Protocol Number: 16/01/2026

Teams Meeting, Friday, January 16th 2026, 13:00 P.M. Lausanne time

With the presence of **Janek Maggi** President, **Guo Yujun** Vice-President, **Xia Lu** Interpreter, Representative Chinese Draughts Association, **Carlo Bordini** International Relations, **Jan van Dijk** Secretary General, **Jean Marc Ndjofang** Chairman of Players Committee, **Lyublyana Turiy** Tournament Director, **Magda Pawłowska** Tournament Director (Y), **Aare Harak** Executive Director FMJD, **Clifton Agata** President of the Pan-American Confederation, **Oumar Thiero** President of the African Confederation, **Richard Przewozniak** Advisor of FMJD Board, **Vitalia Doumesh** Office Manager.

Executive Council meeting - Agenda

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was unanimously approved.

1) Titles:

13698 1446 title mf Cheickne Sacko
23976 1445 title mf Zhuoyuan Du
20830 1444 title mi Sebastian Wieczorek
21029 1442 title mff Tsatsral Tsogtgerel
24999 1441 title cmf Benas Mendelis
20596 1440 title mf Rokas Banevicius
30508 1439 title cmff Lkhagvasuren Khulan
16553 1438 title mf Jakob Friesen
20280 1383 title mff Aiste Pukstaite

New titles were approved.

2) Discussion of IOC decision from 11.12.25 regarding youth athletes from Russia and Belarus

The FMJD is exploring the possibility of allowing young athletes from Belarus and Russia to participate in FMJD youth competitions, in accordance with the International Olympic Committee's guidelines on athlete access to sport. However, this is a highly sensitive issue, and several practical and organizational aspects require further investigation.

The FMJD is also considering the positions of various federations. The FMJD has taken note of a statement of full support from the Chinese Draughts Association for the participation of young athletes from Russia and Belarus.

The Pan American Confederation also supports this. The interests of young players must be protected in the sport.

Carlo Bordini, International Relations Manager, reminds the FMJD that FIDE

already allows young players from Russia and Belarus to participate in FIDE championships.

FMJD President Janek Maggi has spoken with the Belarusian Federation, which considers it very important that young athletes can once again participate in youth championships.

At the same time, the FMJD received a letter from three federations – Ukraine, Latvia, and Lithuania – dated January 15th, requesting the FMJD and the EDC to consider the following:

The membership of the Russian Federation and the Belarusian Federation remains suspended; and that individual draughts players from the Russian Federation and Belarus should not participate in tournaments under the auspices of the FMJD and the EDC unless lasting peace is achieved in Ukraine.

As the FMJD has two important meetings in Morocco and the Netherlands in January and February, it has been decided to postpone the decision on this matter for two months. The FMJD will return to this point after two months.

3) African Draughts Summit 19.-20. January in Marrakech

Oumar Thiero, President of the African Confederation, has informed the FMJD that he is preparing to travel to Morocco for the meeting. Several members of the FMJD EC will also attend the meeting. The FMJD expects it to be a productive meeting. After the African Summit, the FMJD will begin planning summits, one by one, also on other continents.

4) FMJD 80th anniversary logo etc - jubilee year preparation

The FMJD has approved corporate identity and will start to use it till next year. The Anniversary part will be next year.

5) Information about the IMSA board meeting on 31 January

IMSA (International Mind Sports Association) membership is very important to the FMJD.

Several EC FMJD members plan to participate in the upcoming IMSA meeting.

Several IMSA tournaments/World Mind Sports Games projects have taken place in the past, we hope they will return.

6) Mr. A. Rudnitsky letters

The EC FMJD has reviewed several letters containing various claims from Mr. Alexander Rudnitsky.

The FMJD refers to the following binding FMJD rules:

FMJD STATUTES

CHAPTER II MEMBERSHIP

Article 6. Categories of Members

The Members of FMJD are the countries or territories represented by:

a) The Full Members whose admission has been approved by the General Assembly.

7.1 Full Members

Full Members are those National Organisations that are accepted by the General Assembly as the representing Draughts Organisation for their country or territory.

Article 44. Independence of Members

No discussion or voting by FMJD shall infringe in any way on the freedom and independence of any Member, who shall, at all time, retain complete independence and control over all matters falling within their field of activity.

FMJD ANNEXES

2.5a Continental championships

- A continental confederation is more or less independent. They have the right to organize a continental championship as they like it. Only if the continental championship is organized following the rules and regulations of the FMJD there is a right for automatic titles and for title norms. A qualification tournament for the World Championship has to be organized following the rules and regulations of the FMJD.

Furthermore, FMJD President Janek Maggi admits that he made efforts to mediate and restore peace, but that these efforts were unsuccessful. Since Mr. Rudnitsky's lawsuit is pending in a U.S. court, the court will issue a ruling.

It is important to note that the ICAONA Board nevertheless remains willing to readmit Mr. Rudnitsky as a full member, if he signs and returns the Memorandum that was sent to him on November 11, 2025.

7) Budget for surprising antidoping test 2026 (10 tests, men/women, 8.000 € in total)

The budget has been approved.

8) Updated FMJD Calendar

- World Cup events 2026;
- WCh matches;
- Latvian Federation proposal to host the Men's and Women's Blitz World Championships under certain conditions;
- WCh Youth, dates;
- Request for a signed version of the FMJD Calendar;
- WCh for people with disabilities

Lyublyana Turiy, FMJD Tournament Director, presented the preliminary FMJD Calendar to the EC FMJD.

Several tournaments were discussed.

The signed version of the Calendar will follow.

9) Future development of draughts-64 by the FMJD

EC FMJD believes it's important to have a clear strategy on this point.

We will present a proposal in March.

10) Discussion on the topic of draughts for people with disabilities within FMJD structures, in particular the position of Coordinator for Draughts for People with Disabilities.

Request to define clear financial transparency standards for events in this category (point of Damian Reszka)

The FMJD will study the details of this matter before issuing a statement.
The decision is postponed.

AOB) Articles on social media and a private website damaging the reputation of FMJD and its members.

This is contrary to the [FMJD CODE OF ETHICS](#),
see points 2.10 and 2.11 of the FMJD Code of Ethics.

Sanctions that may be imposed for violation of the provisions of this code are:

- Exclusion from participation in all FMJD tournaments or in specific types of tournaments for a period of up to 3 years;
- Fine up to 2,000 euros.

**The next EC FMJD meeting will take place on
February 13th at 1:00 PM Lausanne time.**



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