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EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2015 ANNOUNCEMENT OF WEBSERVER SEMIFINALS

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Dear chessfriends,

Following the decision taken in Crakow during the ICCF Congress 2013, the Semifinals of the European WS Championship 2015 will start on 20th September 2015 and played on the ICCF Server. The winner and runner-up of a Semifinal section are entitled to one start in the Candidate's Tournament.

Multiple entries are allowed.

The following players have the right to participate in the European Championship WS Semifinals :

- (a) a player rated 2300 to 2499 at the time of application.
- (b) a player who finished 1st or 2nd in a European Championship Preliminary is entitled to one start in a European Championship Semi-Final, regardless of rating
- (c) the participants of previous or running Candidates who have scored at least 45% of the possible points, if they have not earned a higher qualification.
- (d) the participants of previous or running Semi-Finals who have scored at least 55% of the possible points, if they have not earned a higher qualification.
- (e) winners and runner-ups of European WS Master Class started during the years 2011-2013.

All Sections will be of equal numbers with multiples of one of 11, 13, 15 or 17 participants in all Sections. In order to ensure such an arrangement those entrants with the lowest ratings under condition (a) above will be deemed to be additional to requirements and will be denied entry. However those entrants denied entry under this condition will be guaranteed places in the next Semi-finals.

The ICCF European Championship is reserved to those players from European countries..

Players may enter in the usual way through their **National Federations** or, where eligible, via the **ICCF Direct Entry system**. Players from countries not members of ICCF may submit entries only via the **ICCF Direct Entry system**.

Entries via National Federations should contain player's name, E-mail address, ICCF ID, and should be forwarded by Email to the Tournament Organizer, **Leonardo Madonia**, email: l.madonia@iccf-europa.com **not later than 10 September 2015**

It is also mandatory that the qualification right should be specified for each entry!

The ICCF Executive Board asks that all ICCF Delegates ensure that this important information is made available in all national CC magazines and websites. It is the responsibility of Delegates to ensure that all players are made aware of these arrangements!

Amici sumus!

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