

THE INTERNATIONAL GO FEDERATION

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Invitation to

The 36th World Amateur Go Championship in Bangkok

Outline

1. Tournament name: The 36th World Amateur Go Championship in Bangkok

2. Main Sponsor: CP ALL PUBLIC COMPANY LIMITED

3. Co-organizers: The International Go Federation (IGF)

The Go Association of Thailand (GAT)

4. Support: The Korea Baduk Association (KBA)

5. Cooperation: The Tourism Authority of Thailand

The Sports Authority of Thailand

6. Venue : Montien Riverside Hotel, Bangkok (http://www.montien.com/riverside/)

7. Event Dates: Friday, June 5 to Friday, June 12, 2015

8. Competitors: 74 players from 74 countries and territories

1) Asia: 17 countries and territories

China, Chinese Taipei, China Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Macao, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, North Korea, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam

2) Near and Middle East: 2 countries

Israel, Turkey

3) Europe : 35 countries

Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine, United Kingdom

4) Africa: 3 countries

Madagascar, Morocco, South Africa

5) North & Central America: 7 countries

Canada, Costa Rica, Cuba, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, The US

6) South America: 8 countries

Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

7) Oceania: 2 countries

Australia, New Zealand

9. Tournament Conditions

- 1) 8-round Swiss system
- 2) All games to be played on even, with Black giving a 6 ½-point komi.
- 3) Time allowance of 60 minutes per player, followed by byo-yomi of 30 seconds × 3 times.

Tournament clocks will be used for all games.

- 4) Tournament rules are *The World Amateur Go Championship Rules*. Any problems that arise will be settled by the referees.
- 5) The referees will be Professional Go players from the Korea Baduk Association.

10. Awards

- 1) The winner will be given the title of '36th World Amateur Go Champion'
- 2) Winners of the top 10 places will receive awards certificates

Note:

1st Place: CP ALL Public Company Limited's Cup

2nd Place: Siam Commercial Bank Public Company Limited's Cup

3rd Place: Red Bull Cup

4th-10th Places: Plaques and Certificates

3) Other Special Prizes: Fighting Spirit Awards for 2 players

Supplementary Notes

1. Nationality

Each player must have the nationality of the country he or she represents.

- 2. Travel expenses and accommodation expenses during stay in Bangkok The sponsors will be responsible for the following expenses for the 74 players.
 - Transportation to and from Bangkok International Airport
 - Accommodation: Seven nights' accommodations from June 5 to June 12, 2015 (Check-out on June 12, 12:00)
 - Meals: Meals from <u>dinner on June 5</u> to <u>breakfast on June 12</u>
 - * Players who for reasons of their own convenience arrive earlier than June 5 and/or stay longer than June 12 will themselves be responsible for all extra expenses incurred. The sponsors will take no responsibility for any extra expenses.
- 3. Guest Officials
 - A few Guest Officials will be invited from different Go organizations.

- Guest Officials will supervise and assist the players from designated zones and countries

4. Registration

Players and guest officials are requested to return the following documents to the Tournament Office by Monday, 6 April, 2015.

- (i) Completed Entry Form (using the attached document)
- (ii) Face photo (JPG, high quality color digital photos, $5 \text{ cm} \times 5 \text{cm}$)
- (iii) Copy of passport (the page or pages clearly showing nationality)

 •In the case of multiple nationalities, please send copies of the passport for the country which you are representing.

5. Schedule:

Friday, June 5: Arrival at Suvarnabhumi (Bangkok) Airport or

Donmueang International Airport (Low Cost Airlines)

Transfer to Montien Riverside Hotel

Check in/Registration

Saturday, June 6: A.M. IGF Directors Meeting

Side Events – Triple Go Friendship Games

Teaching Games by Professionals (Thai Players)

P.M. IGF Annual General Meeting

Opening Ceremony

Sunday, June 7 - 10: WAGC tournament

Wednesday, June 10: Doping test

Closing and Awards Ceremony

Thursday, June 11: Sightseeing

Friday, June12: Departure

6. Accommodation

Montien Riverside Hotel

372 Rama 3 Road, Bangkhlo, Bangkok 10120, Thailand.

Tel: (+662) 292-2999, (+662) 292-2888

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7. Events

All players and Guest Officials are obligated to participate in all Official Events such as the IGF General Meeting, the Opening and Closing Ceremonies and Side Events.

8. Doping Test

Three of the first prize-winners and a random player will be subjected to Doping Tests.

* For details of the IGF Anti-Doping Regulations, please check the following link: (http://intergofed.org/members/anti-doping.html)

9. Companions of Players and Guest Officials

If a companion is staying with a player or Guest Official from June 5 to June 12, 2015, the package cost is **US\$ 700** per person, which you should have ready to pay in cash when you register on site. The package includes sharing accommodations, transportation to and from Bangkok International Airport, all meals from June 5 dinner through June 12 breakfast, participation in the reception banquets, and excursion.

10. Important points

- 1) Players or Guest Officials who committed any of the following infringements will not be allowed to participate in the tournament.
 - (i) Entry Form not received at the Tournament Office by the deadline of Monday, April 6, 2015.
 - (ii) False entries on the Entry Form.
 - (iii) Neglecting to send photos or photocopies of passport.
 - (iv) Failure to check in at the designated hotel by June 5, 2015
- 2) If you need an official invitation and/or a guarantee from the Registration Office to leave your country, please check what documents are necessary at your nearest Thai embassy and note this in the appropriate column on the Entry Form.

Please note that in principle we could indicate in the Official Invitation the dates of arrival in and departure from Thailand that you request; however, we will only be responsible for your expenses for the period June 5 - 12 as noted earlier in this paper.

- 3) Please refrain from wearing clothing such as short pants, jeans, T-shirts, sunglasses, sandals or similar items at all WAGC Events.
- 4) Any questions should be directed in English to the Registration Office by e-mail or phone call.

11. Registration Office

Please send your Registration Form by E-mail to:

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