

VBO x SOLVE-X Doubles Blitz Chess Tournament

Date: Saturday, January 17, 2026

Organizer: Železničarski šahovski klub Maribor Poligram

Venue: Nakupovalno središče Europark, Pobreška 18, 2000 Maribor

Participation rights: All teams that register on time are eligible to participate.

Tournament Schedule – January 17, 2026:

- **Registration confirmation:** 09:00–09:45
 - **Opening ceremony & Round 1:** 10:00
 - The following rounds will start immediately after the previous ones are completed.
 - **Award ceremony:** 10 minutes after the end of Round 9.
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Tournament System and Time Control:

- 9 rounds, Team Swiss system
- Time control: 3 minutes + 2 seconds per move

Tie-break criteria:

1. Match points
 2. Game points
 3. Direct encounter(s) based on match points
 4. FIDE Sonneborn-Berger coefficient
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Entry Fee and Registration:

The team consists of two players (regardless of gender).

Teams must register by **January 14, 2026** to the organizer,

Tadej Sakelšek (email: tadejsakelsek@gmail.com, phone: +386 40 748 916).

Teams may be formed freely — regardless of club affiliation, gender, or age.

Entry fee: €20 per team

The registration must include:

- Team name
- Full name and birth year of both players

Prizes:

Total prize fund: **€1,000** (all prizes paid in **DESETAK gift vouchers**).

Each participant can receive only one prize.

DESETAK vouchers can be redeemed in the following shopping centers:

- Europark Maribor
- Aleja Ljubljana
- Center Vič Interspar Ljubljana
- CityPark Ljubljana
- CityCenter Celje

More information: <https://www.desetak.si/>

General Classification	Prize
1. mesto	300
2. mesto	200
3. mesto	100
4. mesto	80
5. mesto	60

Category Prizes	Prize
Best Women's Team	60
Best Veterans' Team	60
Best Junior Team (U20)	60
Best Cadet Team (U15)	40
Best Children's Team (U10)	40

Additional Information:

The tournament will **not** be FIDE-rated.

Anything not defined in this announcement will be governed by the tournament regulations.

The rules of the **Slovenian Chess Federation (ŠZS)** and **FIDE** apply.