



Grandmaster Tournament

Participants

Elo rating and rankings applicable on July, 2017



David Navara

Czech Republic, 32 yo

Elo: 2737

Date and place of birth: 27.03.1985 in Prague

World ranking: 21

National ranking: 1

In Biel GMT: 4th (2015)

Achievements: Blitz European Champion 2014, Represented the Czech Republic at eight Chess Olympiads



Pentala Harikrishna

India, 31 yo

Elo: 2737

Date and place of birth: 10.05.1986 in Vinjanam Padu

World ranking: 22

National ranking: 2

In Biel: 3rd (GMT 2014), Winner (MTO 2013)

Achievements: U20 World Champion 2004, Represented India at eight Chess Olympiads



Etienne Bacrot

France, 34 yo

Elo: 2715

Date and place of birth: 22.01.1983 in Lille

World ranking: 35

National ranking: 2

In Biel GMT: 2nd (2003), 3rd after tie-break (2013)

Achievements: U10 World Champion 1993, U12 World Champion 1995, Represented France six times at Chess Olympiads



Ruslan Ponomarev

Ukraine, 33 yo

Elo: 2699

Date and place of birth: 11.10.1983 in Horliwka

World ranking: 48

National ranking: 4

In Biel GMT: 3rd (2004)

Achievements: FIDE World Champion 2002, U18 World Champion 1997, Gold medalist at Chess Olympiads 2004 and 2010 representing Ukraine



Peter Leko

Hungary, 37 yo

Elo: 2678

Date and place of birth: 08.09.1979 in Subotica (Serbia)

World ranking: 65

National ranking: 1

In Biel: -

Achievements: U16 World Champion 1994, World Championship Challenger 2004, Silver medalist at the Chess Olympiads 2002 and 2014 representing Hungary



Alexander Morozevich

Russia, 39 yo

Elo: 2675

Date and place of birth: 18.07.1977 in Moscow

World ranking: 70

Best ever world ranking: 2 (in July 2008)

In Biel GMT: Winner in 2003, 2004 and 2006, 2nd in 2009 and 2011

Achievements: Gold medalist at the Chess Olympiads 1998, 2000 and 2002 representing Russia



Yifan Hou

China, 23 yo

Elo: 2666

Date and place of birth: 27.02.1994 in Xinghua

Women's world ranking: 1

Women's national ranking: 1

In Biel GMT: 5th (2014)

Achievements: Women's World Champion 2010 - 2016, Gold medalist at the Chess Olympiads in 2016 representing China



Rafael Vaganian

Armenia, 65 yo

Elo: 2562

Date and place of birth: 15.10.1951 in Yerevan

In Biel: Winner of the Interzonal Tournament (1985)

Achievements: Gold medalist at the Chess Olympiads in 1984 and 1986 representing the Soviet Union



Nico Georgiadis

Switzerland, 21 yo

Elo: 2496

Date and place of birth: 22.01.1996 in Bülach

National ranking: 7

In Biel: Participant Juniors Challenge 2016

Achievements: Represented Switzerland at Chess Olympiads twice



Noël Studer

Switzerland, 20 yo

Elo: 2493

Date and place of birth: 18.10.1996 in Berne

National ranking: 4

In Biel: Participant Juniors Challenge 2016

Achievements: Swiss Champion 2016, Represented Switzerland at Chess Olympiads