

# Prague International Chess Festival 2025

## K CERO INVEST Real estate & Financial rapid tournament



Organizer: 1. Nový Bor Chess Club  
Date: Saturday, March 1, 2025  
Venue: Hotel Don Giovanni Prague, Prague

The idea of hosting a chess day for fans from the finance and real estate sectors came to us in the summer of 2023, when we visited the K CERO owner Roman Cerulík in Banská Štiavnica, Slovakia. Thanks to our dedication and thorough preparation, we successfully organized the inaugural Finance & Real Estate Rapid Tournament on March 1, 2024. The four-star Hotel Don Giovanni in Prague welcomed more than twenty participants, eager to fight in seven rounds and channel their professional expertise from the dynamic financial and real estate markets onto the chessboard. After intense rounds of competition, the tournament's first individual winner was Slovak player who currently lives in Prague, Martin Ondruš from VIG Re Reinsurance Services. In the team category, the top spot went to Komerční banka a.s.

We are delighted to invite you once again to join us on the first Saturday of March 2025 at the Hotel Don Giovanni in Prague. Gather your company's best players to compete for top spots in both the individual and team competitions.

This year, we have prepared an exciting seven-round rapid tournament, prestigious awards, an exclusive invitation from the Festival Director Petr Boleslav and the K CERO owner to the VIP zone reception with Masters and Challengers players, and a lecture by Dana Reizniece, Managing Director of FIDE and former Latvian Minister of Finance, titled "Chess and Finance." Additionally, you can look forward to many other engaging events throughout the day.



**Schedule:**

SAT. 1. 3.:	08:30 – 08:55	presentation
	09:00	1. round
	09:45	2. round
	10:30	3. round
	11:15	4. round
	12:00	5. round
	12:45	6. round
	13:00	7. round
	14:00	invitation to the award ceremony and VIP zone
	15:00	winner of the Finance & Real estate rapid tournament will open the 4th round of the Masters tournament with the first move
	15:30 - 16:00	lecture of <b>Dana Reizniece</b> , Managing Director of FIDE, vicepresident of ECU and former Minister of Finance, Latvia

Anyone working in finance, real estate, or is related to these fields (owners, employees in real estate, banking, financial advisory, investing, investment funds, lawyers etc.) **can attend the tournament**, be it a registered chess player or not.





- Fee: 1.500,- CZK (free for PICF partner employees)  
(fee includes: starting fee, snacks and drinks during the tournament, entrance to the VIP zone with reception and buffet, lecture „Chess and Finance“)
- System: Swiss-system with 7 rounds  
Games do not count to the ELO rating  
A team consists of players from one institution, company or organisation. Three best results count to the final rankings.
- Pace of the game: 2 x 15 min + 5 s / move  
Final ranking: 1. points; 2. Buchholz Cut 1; 3. Buchholz  
4. Sonneborn-Berger
- Individual awards
1. place: PICF trophy, leather jacket K CERO  
opening the 4th round of the Masters tournament with the first move, a spot in the Hand&Brain tournament with the Masters players
2. place: PICF trophy, voucher of dinner for two in Puglia Bistrot, leather jacket K CERO
3. place: PICF trophy, voucher of dinner for two in Puglia Bistrot, leather jacket K CERO
- Team awards:
1. place: PICF trophy  
voucher of accommodation in Czech Inn hotels
- Applications: Send via an e-mail to [td@praguechessfestival.com](mailto:td@praguechessfestival.com) until 3. 2. 2025

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Director of the Festival

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