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100 years French Chess Federation The significance of France for the development of chess in other European countries

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I. Introduction

On 19 March 1921, the French Chess Federation was founded. The Conference wishes to contribute to the celebration of its 100 th birthday by exploring the significance of France as a chess nation for the development of chess in other European countries. To this effect, renown chess historians from France, Germany, England, Spain, Poland and the Czech Republic are invited to present their research on the topic.

II. Time and Venue

In view of the COVID 19 Pandemic, the Conference itself will be held online via ZOOM on Saturday, 20 March 2020. Speakers will give their speeches before their screen at home, supported by a Power- Point Presentation of around 20 minutes (in French or in English). All participants can follow the conference at the screen at home, by dialing into the specific Zoom-Link. Each presentation will be followed by a session with Questions and Answers with the participants.

III. Program

Saturday 20 March 2021

1. 9.00 Ouverture par Jean-Olivier Leconte et bienvenue par le President ad interim de la Fédération française (Yves Marek)
2. 9.10 Welcome by the President of the German French Association (Ulrich Krause)
3. 9.20 Greetings by a representative of the European Chess Union
4. 9.30 The Chapais Manuscript: Origin, Author and Significance for Chess Theory (Herbert Bastian)
5. 10.15 Deschapelles – Mythes et Réalités (Jean-Olivier Leconte présente la recherche de Pierre Baudrier, Herbert Bastian et lui-même)
6. 11.00 Kieseritzky, Harrwitz, Rosenthal – les premiers professionnels étrangers en France (Frank Hoffmeister)
7. 11.45 Sleeping amidst their visions: Polish chessplayers - students, emigrants, refugees and professionals in France in the second half of the XIX century (Tomasz Lissowski)
8. 12.30 L'organisation des échecs en France avant la création de la Fédération nationale en 1921 (Jean- Olivier Leconte)
9. 13.15 Pause de Midi/Lunch Break
10. 14.00 Chess Connections between Spain and France (José A. Garzón)
11. 14.45 The Role of Philidor and his successors for British Chess (Richard Eales)
12. 15.30 Alexander Petroff - The northern Philidor (Vlastimil Fiala)
13. 16.15 Coffee break
14. 16:30 Alekhine en France (Dennis Teyssou)
15. 17:15 Les premières 25 années de la Fédération française (1921-1946) (Georges Bertola)

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16. 18:00 Conclusions académiques (Jean-Olivier Leconte, Herbert Bastian, Frank Hoffmeister)
17. 18:15 Mot final (Représentant de la FIDE)

IV. Output

The written contributions should be published in a dedicated collection. If a piece is written in French, it will contain and German and English summary. If a piece is written in English, it will contain a French and German summary.

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