

KAVALA CHESS CLUB

REFERENCE CERTIFICATE FOR GRANDMASTER DEJAN ANTIC

To whoever is interested

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The Chess Club of Kavala has a long chess tradition and history for the past thirty years. It has brought to the City of Kavala several successes. The chess team of Kavala was four times, during this period, Champion of Greece and also several times holder of the Greek Cup, in team competition. Chess has also added to the image of the city because of the Open tournament held in summer every year since 1991. This tournament attracts a lot of strong chess players from all over the world. So, chess is very popular and plays an important role in the development and the culture of the city of Kavala.

For the last 4 years Grandmaster Dejan Antic has successfully been the first trainer of Kavala Chess Club. His students vary from eleven to forty years old.

The major successes during these years were following:

Tsakiris Haralambos was the World amateur chess champion for 2012 and also Antonios Pavildis is currently a strong IM and will be shortly the first GM in the history of Kavala's chess. There have been also many other successes in junior competitions during this period. It is also important that all these students have learned to concentrate, to set up goals and to persist in order to reach them. It is not by coincidence that they are also very successful in school and many of them are now studying in Universities in Greece.

During this period we have come to know well Mr Antic as a person. He is characterised by a true love for the game, deep devotion to it and very good methodology to the study of chess. He is also very open as a character and has very good relationship to the students and with people in general. Adding up to his vast experience as a chess coach, we can certainly state he was one of the best trainers that the club had the honour to employ. We wish to him every future success in his life as a chess coach.



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