

**Invitation to**  
**Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Death of Tokugawa Ieyasu**  
**The 6<sup>th</sup> International Shogi Forum in Shizuoka**

**Friday, April 18, 2014**

Dear Sirs,

The 5<sup>th</sup> International Shogi Forum was a great success by virtue of the affiliates concerned. On behalf of the Japan Shogi Association, once again I would like to especially express my gratitude at first to the French Shogi Association for their cooperation. At the same time, I would like to also express my gratitude to the people concerned for their cooperation.

After two years and six months, it is my pleasure to inform you that we have decided to hold the 6<sup>th</sup> International Shogi Forum 2014 in Shizuoka City on Dec. 6 and 7, which is very famous for the beautiful Mt. Fuji and Miho-no Matsubara, one of the three key pine tree forests in Japan.

Therefore, we are happy to invite you to the 6<sup>th</sup> International Shogi Forum that will take place in the Shizuoka Convention & Arts Center, which is so called “Granship” because of its shape, and that will be held under the subtitle, “Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Death of Tokugawa Ieyasu”.

Since City of Shizuoka has supplied enough financial support this time, we can arrange the transportation and accommodations as almost before. Hereby, I formally ask your kind cooperation for the dispatch of representatives. The internationalization of shogi is still under good progress thanks to your activities. As before, I sincerely expect your support and understanding for the 6<sup>th</sup> International Shogi Forum in Shizuoka.

Thanking you in anticipation.

**Koji Tanigawa**  
**President of the Japan Shogi Association**

**Tanabe Nobuhiro**  
**Mayor of Shizuoka City**



7. Invited countries of The 6<sup>th</sup> International Shogi Tournament:

Asia	China, Hong Kong, Japan, Thailand, Taiwan, Mongolia	
North America	Canada, USA	
South America	Brazil, Chile	
Europe	Austria, Belgium, Belarus, Czech, Denmark, Spain, Finland, France, UK, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Slovakia, Switzerland, Sweden, Ukraine	
Africa	Côte d'Ivoire	
Oceania	New Zealand	
Region	EU	34 countries (expected)

8. Tournament format

All of the representatives will play two or three games. As the result of this, they will be divided into two groups which are Division A and Division B. Then, the elimination will be implemented to decide the winner, runner-up and third place in both of Divisions.

9. Entry qualification:

Representatives need to be recognized by the host shogi organization and to own the nationality of the invited country.

9. Treatment of representatives:

Please refer to the attached "Details of Accommodations, Transportation, etc."

10. Note: It is banned to alter representative and to transfer the right of representative to anyone without the permission of the Secretariat. The costs of any change made to the length of stay or means of transportation shall be borne by the person concerned.

11. Secretariat of the 6<sup>th</sup> International Shogi Forum

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## Selecting Representatives

### 1. Preliminary tournament

A preliminary tournament can be implemented by a shogi organization (host organization) formally recognized by the Japan Shogi Association.

### 2. Method of selecting representatives

You may select representative from your country either by recommendation or by a preliminary tournament.

### 3. Entry qualification for preliminary tournament

All participants must be nationals of the country where the preliminary tournament is held.

### 4. Format and entry fee

To be determined by the host organization.

### 5. Number of representatives

For details, please refer to the attached table “Number of Representatives.”

### 6. Notice

The ISF 2014 Secretariat has regretfully made the decision not to give the opportunity to participate in the 6<sup>th</sup> International Shogi Tournament to players who have already participated in all those “recent” three ISF (2005, 2008, and 2011) in a row.

### 7. Deadlines for submitting replies

(1) ISF 2014 Participation Reply Form: May 31, 2014

(2) ISF 2014 Registration Form: August 31, 2014

### 8. Together with “ISF 2014 Registration Form”, it is necessary for us to receive the following items:

(1) Photocopy of passport to certify representative’s nationality.

(2) Passport-size photograph of each representative

The Secretariat requests to send those by e-mail.

## Details of accommodations, transportation, etc.

### 《 Accommodations 》

The Japan Shogi Association will provide all representatives from abroad with 3 night's hotel accommodations along with meals (from 5 to 7 December in Shizuoka city) and 20,000 yen as the cost of an additional two night's accommodations.

Depending on the flight schedule, the Japan Shogi Association may bear the cost of an additional night's accommodations if this is considered necessary.

### 《 Transportation 》

**Note: The Secretariat requests all of the representatives to come to Hotel Associa Shizuoka of Shizuoka City in principle on their own.**

(1) Representatives from the United States, Canada, Norway, Sweden, Finland, UK, Portugal, Spain, France, Netherlands, Belgium, Switzerland, Denmark, Germany, Italy, Czech, Austria, Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Greece, EU, and New Zealand

The Forum Secretariat will provide each representative with 100,000 yen after arrival in Japan towards transportation expenses between their residence ←→ local airport ←→ Narita (Haneda) Airport. The Japan Shogi Association will bear the costs of transportation between Tokyo and Shizuoka.

(2) Representatives from Russia, Ukraine, and Belarus

The Japan Shogi Association will provide return air tickets between Moscow and Tokyo (Narita Airport) and will bear the costs of transportation between Tokyo and Shizuoka.

(3) Representatives from Brazil

The Japan Shogi Association will provide or bear the costs of return air tickets between Sao Paulo and Narita Airport (via JFK) and will bear the costs of transportation between Tokyo and Shizuoka.

(4) Representative from Chile

The Japan Shogi Association will provide or bear the costs of return air tickets between Santiago and Narita Airport (via JFK) and will bear the costs of transportation between Tokyo and Shizuoka.

(5) Representatives from China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Mongolia, and Thailand

The Japan Shogi Association plans to pay the costs of return flights (economy discount tickets) to Tokyo between the nearest airport (Shanghai, Peking, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Mongolia, Bangkok) to Tokyo (Narita Airport). It will also bear the costs of transportation between Tokyo and Shizuoka.

(6) Representative from Côte d'Ivoire

The Japan Shogi Association will provide return air tickets between Abidjan and Tokyo (Narita Airport) and will bear the costs of transportation between Tokyo and Shizuoka.

## Number of Representatives

	Region	Country	NOR	
1	Asia	China	3	CHN
2		Hong Kong	1	HKG
3		Japan	3	JPN
4		Thailand	1	THA
5		Taiwan	1	TPE
6		Mongolia	1	MGL
7	North America	Canada	1	CAN
8		USA	2	USA
9	South America	Brazil	2	BRA
10		Chile	1	CHI
11	Europe	Austria	1	AUT
12		Belgium	1	BEL
13		Belarus	1	BLR
14		Czech	1	CZE
15		Denmark	1	DEN
16		Spain	1	ESP
17		Finland	1	FIN
18		France	1	FRA
19		UK	1	GBR
20		Germany	1	GER
21		Hungary	1	HUN
22		Italy	1	ITA
23		Netherlands	1	NED
24		Norway	1	NOR
25		Poland	1	POL
26		Portugal	1	POR
27	Russia	1	RUS	
28	Slovakia	1	SVK	
29	Switzerland	1	SUI	
30	Sweden	1	SWE	
31	Ukraine	1	UKR	
32	Greece	1	GRE	
33	Africa	Côte d'Ivoire	1	CIV
34	Oceania	New Zealand	1	NZL
		EU	2	