



Youngest World Chess Champion

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Recently, **D Gukesh** won the **International Chess Federation (FIDE) Candidates Chess Tournament 2024** in Toronto, Canada.

- He became the **youngest-ever challenger** to the **world title** and secured his place in chess history.
- Currently, **India has got 7 players in the top 20 junior rankings and a third of the top 30 juniors globally.**
- The **current world champion is Ding Liren**, who defeated his opponent Ian Nepomniachtchi in the **2023 World Chess Championship.**
 - **Magnus Carlsen**, the previous world champion, had declined to defend his title.
- **International Chess Federation (FIDE)**, has held the **Candidates Tournament** since 1950.
 - This prestigious event determines who gets to challenge the reigning World Chess Champion.
 - It used to be held **every three years** until 1992, but since 2013, it follows a two-year cycle.
- **FIDE** is the governing body of the sport of chess, and it regulates all international chess competitions.
 - It's constituted as a **non-governmental institution. It organizes the World Chess Championship.**

Read more: [FIDE Grand Swiss Open 2023](#)

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