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IPhO Lithuania 2020

Dear Colleagues, 2019 December 10th

It is our honour to invite a delegation of your country to participate in 51st International Physics Olympiad which will be held in Vilnius, Lithuania on July 18-26, 2020.

PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

Official invitations to participate in IPhO 2020 have been sent to 92 countries, which participated in IPhO in 2017-2019:

Argentina
Armenia
Australia
Austria
Azerbaijan
Bangladesh
Belarus
Belgium
Bolivia
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Brazil
Bulgaria
Cambodia
Canada
China
Cyprus
Colombia
Costa Rica
Croatia
Cuba
Czech Republic
Denmark
Ecuador
Egypt
El Salvador
Estonia
Finland
France
Georgia
Germany
Ghana
Greece
Hong Kong
Hungary
Iceland
India
Indonesia
Iran
Israel
Italy
Japan
Kazakhstan
Kyrgyzstan
Korea
Kosovo
Latvia
Liechtenstein
Lithuania
Luxemburg
Macau
Malaysia
Mexico
Myanmar
Moldova
Mongolia
Montenegro
Nepal
Netherlands
Nigeria
North Macedonia
Norway
Pakistan
Peru
Philippines
Poland
Portugal
Puerto Rico
Qatar
Romania
Russia
Saudi Arabia
Serbia
Singapore
Syria
Slovakia
Slovenia
South Africa
Spain
Sri Lanka
Suriname
Sweden
Switzerland
Taiwan
Tajikistan
Thailand
Turkey
Ukraine
United Arab Emirates
United Kingdom
United States of America
Uzbekistan
Vietnam

We are waiting for confirmation of these countries that they are going to participate in IPhO 2020 in Vilnius, Lithuania until January 20th. Please send confirmation of your country participation to info@ipho2020.lt

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DELEGATIONS

Each participating country shall send a delegation, normally consisting of five students and two delegation leaders at most. In addition to the delegations, teams may be accompanied by observers and visitors.

ORGANISERS

IPhO 2020 is organised by three institutions: Ministry of Education, Science and Sport of the Republic of Lithuania, Lithuanian Centre of Non-formal Youth Education and Vilnius University.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

	Students	Leaders and Observers
17th July	Early Arrivals	
18th July	Arrival and Registration	
	Opening Ceremony	
19th July	Tourist Activities	Discussion and Translation of Experimental Exams
20th July	Experimental Exam	Tourist Activities
	Dinner	
21st July	Tourist Activities	Discussion and Translation of Theoretical Exams
22nd July	Theoretical Exam	Tourist Activities
	Dinner	
23rd July	Science day	Tourist Activities
24th July	Tourist Activities	Moderation
25th July	Free time	International Board Meeting
	Closing Ceremony	
26th July	Departure	

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LOCAL HOSPITALITY

IPhO 2020 organisers will provide and cover the cost of meals, accommodation, excursions and ground transportation from July 18th to July 26th. Early check-in option will be provided for those who travel long distance in order to attend the Opening Ceremony on July 18th. As a guideline, early check-in is offered for those countries who travel more than 3000 km. Check-in will open on July 17 at 3 p.m. for early delegations, accommodation for other countries will be booked from July 18th at 3 p.m. until July 26th at 11 a.m.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

Two days are set for arrival to Vilnius. There are numerous flights to and from Vilnius. Transportation to the hotels will be provided from Vilnius International Airport (VNO), Vilnius Train Station and Vilnius Bus station on July 17th and 18th. It is recommended to arrive in Vilnius before 4 p. m. on July 18th to be on time for the Opening Ceremony.

Departure is set on July 26th. On this day, organisers will provide transportation to Vilnius International Airport, Vilnius Train Station and Vilnius Bus station.

VISAS

Lithuania is part of Schengen area. If a delegation member requires a Schengen visa he/she should contact the Lithuanian Consulate of his/her country of residence. In countries where Lithuania does not have a diplomatic mission or consular post there is often another EU member state that represents Lithuania and where an application can be submitted.

You can find all the information regarding Schengen visa on website of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania - http://www.keliauk.urm.lt/en/

If you need a visa invitation letter, please register your team with data of each participant as soon as possible. Take note that Schengen Visa procedures can have long wait times.

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REGISTRATION AND IMPORTANT DATES

Confirmation of country participation until	January 20th
Beginning of delegation registration on www.ipho2020.lt	February 1st
Last day for submission of delegation size	April 1st
Last day for submission of details about all delegation members	May 15th
Payments of participation fee by bank transfer must be completed until	June 15th
Deadline for online registration of all flight details	June 30th

PARTICIPATION FEES

IPhO 2020 organisers have set these fees for participants of IPhO 2020 (fees are indicated per person):
Student – 500 Eur
Leader – 500 Eur
Observer – 1800 Eur
Visitor – 2000 Eur
Single room – 750 Eur for all days of participation
Late (or delegation size change) fee – 100 Eur

Late fee will be charged for those delegations that will change their delegation size after April 1st. It can be reduced or waived only when changes are made until May 1st and the reason of changes is explained with an official letter from National institution that sends the team to IPhO.

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PAYMENT METHOD

Participation fee preferably should be paid by bank transfer. All bank transfers must be completed until June 15th. It will be also possible to pay this fee by cash during the Olympiad if a written note is sent before June 15th.

Please note that all banking charges and commissions are to be borne by the participating delegations (please use OUR payment instructions to cover all the transfer fees).

Details of IPhO 2020 bank account:
Beneficiary: Lithuanian Centre of Non-formal Youth Education
Bank Name: AB SEB bankas
Account Number (IBAN): LT56 7044 0600 0831 8974
SWIFT code/BIC: CBVILT2XXXX
Address: Gedimino pr. 12 Vilnius, Lietuva
Please indicate "IPhO2020 + name of country" in your payment

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