



The President of IOI: participants of the International Olympiad in Informatics are the best scientists of the future.

At the International Olympiad in Informatics brought together the best scientists of the future. The same opinion in interview with the correspondent shared Krassimir Manev, the President of the International Olympiad in Informatics, Professor of the Department of Informatics of New Bulgarian University.

On the eve of the ceremony of awarding the winners of the Olympiad, President of IOI said that the tasks were enough difficult for the participants in this year.

"Average Student of University can't solve these tasks. Professional informatics, who have finished University with an intermediate level of IQ, cannot solve such problems. We specially give to our guys such tasks that they had a higher level. Consider, that the participants since the school age have higher level than the level of professional information scientists" said Prof. K. Manev.

Touching content of tasks, the President of the Olympiad in informatics noted that they were created by professional informatics, scientists. And every year they watch that the tasks were primarily interesting for the participants and develop their logic and sharpness.

"It is impossible to solve the same tasks in one way: there must be counts, geometry, special sorting, different types and difficulties as well. This is a difficult stage of the work. Two committees are working on that, they are ex gold medalists, they are professionals. It happens that the Committee thought the tasks are difficult, and one of the contestants came and solved it in a jiffy, and the jury had no word. This Olympiad is the best thing that could be invented by mankind in the area of Informatics. And the best scientists of the future are here," said K. Manev.

"Now we can see that Informatics will become a great future. Wherever you look, you need Internet. And can you imagine how we lived before without the Internet? Informatics is a powerful tool, it can be compared with nuclear energy. If we used incorrectly, it can be like a knife with two blades. We have to use with science very carefully, we need to take good sides from it, and eliminate a bad side"- he added.

At the closing ceremony the winners will be awarded **27** gold, **55** silver, **79** bronze medals. According to the rules of the Olympiad half of the participants should get a medal. Also, for the absolute winner, we will give a cup.

Next year we plan to hold 28th International Olympiad in informatics in Kazan, Russian Federation.



Absolute winner of a gold medal, a student from South Korea Jeehak Yoon told how preparing for the International Olympiad in Informatics.

According to the results of two days of competition, the participant scored 600 points out of 600 possible.

"The year before the Olympiad I attended educational centers, where we solved various tasks. I've been preparing. This is my second gold medal of the Olympiad on such. I want to note that the tasks were interesting, although it was difficult for me to solve them", - said J. Yoon.



Notes from a trip to Turgen Gorge

Participants of the 27th IOI, toured the Turgen gorge in the Ile-Alatau National park (90 km from Almaty).

Upon arrival the foreign delegates of the Olympiad were cheerfully greeted in accordance with the ancient Kazakh custom - shashu (people threw shashu - candies, sweets - on honorable guests).



An exciting program was prepared for the special guests. The IOI's participants were showed an old Kazakh custom called Tusa kesu (cutting a string which tied a baby's legs).



There have been installed several yurts and Kazakh traditional swings called - Altybakan. The honorable guests were shown a concert with the participation of dance groups and artists of Kazakhstan.

Turgen gorge has hot springs, a trout farm, waterfalls and lots of woods. It is rich in coniferous and mixed forests, alpine and sub-alpine meadows, lakes and springs, medicinal herbs and berries. Today it is one of the most visited tourist destinations in Almaty region. The Turgen Gorge is famous for its seven waterfalls.



Participants have shared us with his impressions:

Andrius Ovsianas (Lithuania)

- What can you tell about Kazakh Tradition and Culture, Nature and also about wrestling and meals?

- The weather was really hot, so tradition seems to be kind nasty weather and it's fun.

We saw the baby just having first its steps, cut the rope between his legs. The wrestling was really cool. Seems you need to like especially Kazakh wrestling and sport in general. I have learned some methods in Kazakh wrestling. I tasted horse milk. That was worse, but liked it. And also I've tasted horse meat that was delicious.

Ariel Santiago Nowik (Argentina)

It is something different for me. I think it is cool and interesting. I want to try the Kazakh National meal called "Beshbarmak". Student from another country said its

delicious. It's interesting there by the way. I also have ridden "AltyBakan" there were funny.

Jeehak Yoon (Absolute winner IOI2015, Korea)

- Good afternoon, Jeehak! How are you?

Thank you, good.

-Did you expect to win?

- I Do not expected too much. I didn't know that I have won the Olympiad.

- How did you prepare for the competition?

- I have trained doing online tasks just only tasks! That my teachers have given me.

- Who do you thank for this victory?



- I am grateful to my parents who are always by my side. They always support me and worry about me.
- When you have an interest in science?
- For the first time I started from the second year of secondary school. That's when I became interested in computer science.
- Have you participated before in the IOI?
 - Yes, last year.
 - How do you see your future?
 - I haven't thought about it.
 - Thanks for the interview! Good luck in the future!..



Participant of the IOI 2015 **Márton Erdős from Hungary** admits he is amazed by solicitous attitude of Kazakhstanis to their traditions.

"We've been here for a couple of days and already had a chance to familiarize with local culture. I'm truly amazed by solicitous attitude to traditions in Kazakhstan. You've managed to preserve everything up until now," Márton told correspondent.

Asked about the organization of the Olympiad in Almaty, he said that the event is a feast for students from all corners of the world. "We've become friends quickly. We talk a lot not only about Informatics, but also about other things. I would like to say a huge thank you to the organizers as they created wonderful conditions for representatives of various cultures and religions," Márton added.



Food and feelings

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I am hungry - Men ashpyn
I am glad - Men kuanyshymyn
Where is food? - Tamaq qaida?
Bread - Nan
Tea - Shai

Juice - Shyryn
Sweet! - Tatti!
Milk - Sut
This is great! - Mynau tamasha!
Give me some tea - Shai kuiyp ber!

Participants IOI 2015 danced the Kazakh national dance "Kara Zhorga"

