



42nd International Physics Olympiad

IPhO 2011 - Organizing Committee

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First Circular

10 November 2010

Dear Colleagues,

Thailand is honored to be the host of the 42nd International Physics Olympiad, organized in celebration on the auspicious occasion of His Majesty the King's 7th Cycle Birthday Anniversary. It will be held during 10 – 18 July 2011 at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, the Capital of Thailand. The Promotion of Academic Olympiads and Development of Science Education Foundation under the Patronage of Her Royal Highness Princess Galyani Vadhana Krom Luang Naradhiwas Rajanagarindra or POSN Foundation, the Ministry of Education, Chulalongkorn University, the Center of Excellence in Physics, the Thai Physics Society, and the Institute for the Promotion of Teaching Science and Technology will jointly organize this event.

Invitation

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of the 42nd International Physics Olympiad, it is my pleasure and honor to invite and welcome your country to send the delegation to Thailand to participate in this esteemed and long-standing international event. International Physics Olympiad is the most prestigious international physics competition for individual secondary school students with the aims of raising awareness among young people of physics as one of the bases of scientific research, promoting future international collaborations, and encouraging friendships within the scientific community.

Requirements for Team Participants

According to the IPhO statutes, each team will comprise up to five students and two leaders. The contestants shall be students of general or technical secondary schools, i.e. schools which cannot be considered technical colleges. Students who have finished their school graduating examinations in the year of the competition can be members of the team as long as they have not commenced their university studies. The age of the students should not exceed twenty years, as of 30 June, 2011. The team leaders should be physics teachers or specialists who can speak English.

Fees and Expenses

All participating countries are encouraged to contribute a voluntary fee of US\$3,500. This will cover meals, accommodation and official social events during the designated period of the Olympiad. Observers and visitors are most welcome, but they must pay the registration fees of US\$1,200 for each observer and US\$1,100 for each visitor. Observers are allowed to attend all Olympiad meetings, including the meetings of the International Board, but without rights of voting and discussion.

Accommodation and Transportation from/to the Airport

Arrangements will be made for participants to stay at hotels in Bangkok. Transportation from Suvarnabhumi International Airport to hotels in Bangkok and vice versa will be arranged by the 42nd IPhO Organizing Committee at no additional cost.

IPhO 2011 Web-page

The circulars and all information regarding the 42nd IPhO can be found on our website at <http://www.IPhO2011.org> which will be updated regularly.

You may contact us at our e-mail: info@ipho2011.org.

Confirmation of Participation

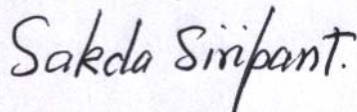
The Organizing Committee is pleased to welcome all countries participated in one of the last three IPhOs to take part in IPhO 2011. The success of this event depends on the participation and involvement of your country. As the first step, please complete the following form: CONFIRMATION FORM OF PARTICIPATION IPhO 2011. We need this information so that an official letter of invitation to participate in IPhO 2011 can be sent to your Minister of Education or the equivalent official in your country. In addition, this information is necessary for communication with the contact person in your country.

Please find attached the document "CONFIRMATION FORM OF PARTICIPATION IPhO 2011". The form should be filled in and sent as an e-mail attachment to the IPhO 2011 Secretariat (info@ipho2011.org) no later than: **20 January 2011**.

Should you have any inquiry concerning your participation, please feel free to contact us. We will be glad to answer your questions.

We look forward very much to seeing you in Bangkok in July 2011.

Yours sincerely,



Professor Sakda Siripant
Chairman of the 42nd IPhO Organizing Committee

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Information of the Minister of Education or the equivalent official	Last name	
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	Title	
	Full address	
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	Number of observers	
	Number of visitors	
	Total Number	
Type of keyboard		

Please fill in the form and send it by **e-mail** no later than **20 January 2011** to:
 Assoc Prof Suwan Kusamran, IPhO 2011 Secretariat: info@ipho2011.org