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THIRD CIRCULAR

Dear colleagues,

We are one month before the beginning of the 41st International Physics Olympiad to be held in Zagreb, 17-25 July 2010. Here are the news and current state of the organization.

Registration

The online registration is completed and we are proud to announce that the following countries have been registered to participate in this year's Olympiad:

1	Albania	22	Estonia	43	Lithuania	64	Serbia
2	Argentina	23	Finland	44	Libya	65	Singapore
3	Armenia	24	France	45	Macao	66	Slovakia
4	Australia	25	Georgia	46	Macedonia	67	Slovenia
5	Austria	26	Germany	47	Malaysia	68	Spain
6	Azerbaijan	27	Greece	48	Mexico	69	Sri Lanka
7	Belarus	28	Hong Kong	49	Moldova	70	Suriname
8	Belgium	29	Hungary	50	Mongolia	71	Sweden
9	Bosnia & Herz.	30	Iceland	51	Montenegro	72	Switzerland
10	Brazil	31	India	52	Nepal	73	Syria
11	Bulgaria	32	Indonesia	53	Netherlands	74	Taiwan
12	Cambodia	33	Iran	54	Nigeria	75	Tajikistan
13	Canada	34	Ireland	55	Norway	76	Thailand
14	China	35	Israel	56	Pakistan	77	Turkey
15	Colombia	36	Italy	57	Poland	78	Turkmenistan
16	Croatia	37	Japan	58	Portugal	79	Ukraine
17	Cuba	38	Kazakhstan	59	Puerto Rico	80	United Kingdom
18	Cyprus	39	Korea, Republic of	60	Romania	81	USA
19	Czech Republic	40	Kuwait	61	Russia	82	Vietnam
20	Denmark	41	Kyrgyzstan	62	El Salvador		
21	Ecuador	42	Latvia	63	Saudi Arabia		

*new participant

** guest team



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Visas

The Letters of Invitation and The Letters of Guarantee (a special form in Croatian) have been sent to the contact persons of respective countries by airmail and the scanned copies via e-mail. Complete information on visa application and issuance is available at the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration: <http://www.mfa.hr/MVP.asp?pcpid=1615>
If we can help in any other way, do not hesitate to contact us.

Fees and payment

All participating teams (5 students + 2 leaders) are encouraged to contribute with a voluntary fee of €3,000. (€400 per student, €500 per leader). The fee will cover: meals, accommodation and official social events during the official period of the Olympiad. Observers and visitors are welcome, and they are expected to cover their expenses, visitors €1000 per person, observers €1100 per person. Observers may attend all Olympiad meetings, including the meetings of the International Board. However they may not vote or take part in the discussions. Visitors do not attend the meetings of the International Board.

The payment should be made by bank transfer to the following account, bank commission or service charges should be paid by the payer at the bank:

Croatian Physical Society bank account	
Bank Name	ZAGREBACKA BANKA d.d.
Bank address	Savska 60, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia
Account owner	HRVATSKO FIZIKALNO DRUSTVO
Owner address	Bijenicka 32, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia
Swift Code	ZABA HR2X
IBAN	HR7123600001101301202
Reference number	700-2010

We kindly ask you to make payments before 1 July 2010 and send us a scanned copy of the receipt. If that would be impossible for any reason, the payment can be made upon arrival, in cash only, at the 41st IPhO registration desk to be situated at the hotel.

It is a very difficult time for organization of such big event. As we are all aware, the global financial situation is not a comfortable one. As organizers, we must confess that raising money wasn't (still isn't) an easy task. The official sponsors of this Olympiad are confronting budget cuts.

Therefore we appeal to all participants to cover the fee and to contribute to the successful outcome of the Olympiad as much as they can.



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Transportation

Zagreb Airport is an international airport directly or indirectly connected with main world destinations. The participants from the neighboring countries can also arrive by train, bus or car. Further information on how to arrive in Zagreb can be found at our website: <http://ipho2010.hfd.hr/>. Transportation from the airport or bus/train stations to the hotel/dormitory and vice versa will be provided by the Organizing Committee at no additional cost.

In order to ensure the best possible flight arrangements for our participants we entered the Star Alliance™ Conventions Plus Official Airline Network Agreement which offers discounts to the attendees at the 41st IPhO Croatia 2010. More on this topic is published at our website <http://ipho2010.hfd.hr/> where you can also obtain the event code necessary to take advantage of those discounts.

Accommodation

Arrangements will be made for students to stay at student complex “Cvjetno naselje”. Leaders, visitors and observers will be accommodated in the hotel Dubrovnik, situated in the very heart of the city, at the Zagreb’s main city square (Trg Ban J. Jelačić).

Two persons will share a room. If you would like an individual room, please note that there is an additional charge of €150 for 8 nights during the official period of the Olympiad.

The extra cost for single room can be paid in advance by bank transfer or upon arrival in cash at the 41st IPhO registration desk.

Early arrival or late departure

If you plan to arrive in Croatia earlier than 17 July, 2010 or leave Croatia later than 25 July, 2010, please let us know well in advance (by noting it in the online registration and by sending us an e-mail, indicating the number of persons and type of the room) so that we can arrange your accommodation.

The cost of the early/late accommodation in the official facilities (Hotel Dubrovnik, Cvjetno naselje) should be paid in advance by bank transfer or upon arrival in cash at the 41st IPhO registration desk. The accommodation in other hotels should be paid directly to the respective hotel.

Insurance and Medical Facilities

We recommend that all members of your team acquire the necessary medical and travel insurance before you leave your country.

Medical service will be provided 24 hours a day in Zagreb. There are also major hospitals near the venue.



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Computing facilities for delegation leaders

Computer facilities, including computers and printers, will be available in the International Board meeting room. Windows XP and Microsoft Word 2007 will be installed. Keyboards are available according to the demand in the Preliminary registration form.

You can also bring your own laptop. Standard power supply in Croatia is 220V / 50 Hz. Croatia uses the standard European non-grounded and grounded socket.

Calculators

According to the IPhO Statutes, contestants may bring into the examination drawing instruments and non-programmable pocket calculators. No other aids may be brought into the examination.

We would like to avoid both the usage of an unknown calculator provided by us and possible usage of a non allowed calculator brought by student. In order to ease the calculator check at the entrance to the exam hall, we ask the students to bring one of these randomly chosen simple models:

1. Texas Instruments TI-30X IIS
2. Olympia LCD 9210
3. SHARP EI-531WH-WH
4. Casio fx-82MS
5. CITIZEN SR – 135TII

Mobile Phones

Leaders and contestants are not allowed to communicate with each other before the last experimental examination. Therefore, leaders will be asked to collect the mobile phones from the contestants after their arrival and to return them after the experimental competition.

41st IPhO - Croatia 2010 Website

The circulars and all information regarding the 41st IPhO - Croatia 2010 can be found at our website (<http://ipho2010.hfd.hr>).

The Organizing Committee of the 41st IPhO Croatia 2010 looks forward to meeting you in Zagreb!

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Krešo Zadro
Chairman of the 41st IPhO Organizing Committee