

Dear colleagues,

We are three months away from the beginning of the **3rd European Physics Olympiad** to be held in Riga, Latvia from May 31st to June 4th and hosted by the University of Latvia (UoL). This circular will give you the latest news about the Olympiad and will instruct team leaders on how to register their teams.

Participating Countries

We are proud to announce that this will be the largest EuPhO with 38 pre-registered countries. There are 28 European teams and 10 non-European guest teams.

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As of February 28th, we have closed the pre-registration to EuPhO`19 and will continue communication only with the leaders of the pre-registered teams. For special exemptions, contact the organizing committee by sending email to eupho2019@lu.lv.

What to do Next

We ask all team leaders to register their teams by visiting eupho2019.lv and filling out the registration forms:

- All team leaders will receive login information (username and password) by e-mail. Use this information to login at eupho2019.lv/login.
- Click *Get invoice* and specify the size of your team to obtain the invoice PDF file. All teams are expected to have paid the participation fee by **March 31st**.
- Click *Add Observer*, *Add Student*, and *Add Team Leader* to fill out specific details about your team members and yourself.
- For those countries whose citizens **do** require visa to enter Latvia, all details should be provided by **March 31st**.
- Countries whose citizens **do not** require visa to enter Latvia, are expected to fully complete the registration of their teams by **April 30th**.

Preliminary Programme

Event schedule shown below includes only the main events and does not represent all the hospitality provided (transfers, catering). Listed time is subject to change.

	Time	Students	Leaders & Observers
May 31 st	All day	Arrivals, transfer to hotels	
	17:00 – 19:00	Registration	
	19:00 – 21:00	Opening ceremony	
June 1 st	05:30 – 08:00		Translation of the experimental problem
	09:00 – 14:00	Experimental examination	Meeting with the academic committee
	15:00 – 16:00	Explanation of the experimental problem	
	17:00 – 21:00	Lectures and scientific activities	
June 2 nd	05:30 – 08:00		Translation of the theoretical problem
	09:00 – 14:00	Experimental examination	Excursion to the laboratories of UoL
	15:00 – 16:00	Explanation of the theoretical problem	
	17:00 – 20:00	Excursions and networking activities	
June 3 rd	09:00 – 12:00	Preparation to moderation	
	13:00 – 19:00	Moderation	
	20:00 – 23:00	Evening activities	Gala dinner
June 4 th	10:00 – 13:00	Closing & awards ceremony	
	All day	Departures	

Eligibility Requirements

As we open the registration, we want to remind everyone of the current eligibility requirements. Since we do not have yet our own Statutes, we have been using the IPhO Statutes temporarily. Please read them on our website (eupho2019.lv/about) and note new additions about age and military service: (1) The age of the contestants should not exceed twenty years on June 30th of the year of the competition. (2) We allow contestants that have spent more than 6 months since graduation to participate, with the requirement that the student should not have commenced university studies.

Hospitality

The organizer will provide meals, accommodation, and transportation during the event. The hospitality will begin on May 31st at 13:00, and it will end on June 4th at 21:00. The transportation will include pick-up and drop-off at the Riga International Airport. The delegations should meet the organizers at the airport or at the hotels.

Venues

The main venue of the Olympiad is the House of Science – part of the Academic Centre of University of Latvia (a). This venue will be used for the examination, moderation and some of the evening activities.

Students will be accommodated at the nearby three-star hotels (b). Team leaders and observers will be provided with rooms at the nearby four-star hotel (c) where the translation of problem texts will take place as well.



(a)



(b)



(c)

Up-to-date information about the Olympiad and venues can be found by visiting eupho2019.lv and following our page on Facebook – fb.com/eurpho and Instagram – instagram.com/eupholympiad. We hope to see you all in Riga soon!

Sincerely,

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