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Ministry of Education, Thailand.

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Subject: 12<sup>th</sup> International Mathematics and Science Olympiad for Primary School 2015  
(IMSO 2015)

Dear Sir / Madam

We are so pleased to inform you that 12<sup>th</sup> *International Mathematics and Science Olympiad for Primary School 2015* (IMSO 2015) will be held from 1 to 7 November 2015, hosted by Office of Basic Education Commission, Ministry of Education, Thailand.

This competition will take place in Pathum Thani Province, Thailand. It will focus on "Smart, Skilled and Creative in a Joyful Competition for Excellence".

The objectives of IMSO 2015 are as follows :-

- a) To allow primary school students from various countries develop the ability in mathematics and science at full potential.
- b) To create an academic atmosphere and to encourage innovation, research development and academic progress.
- c) To create a network of cooperation in the development of teaching and learning of mathematics and science with international educational organizations.
- d) To disseminate international cultural exchanges and strengthen the relationship between Thai and international teachers and students.

We would cordially like to invite you to send mathematics and science teams for this competition which consists of 16 persons (1 Team Leader, 1 Deputy Leader, 1 Math Tutor, 1 Science Tutor, 6 Mathematics Primary Students and 6 Science Primary Students).

We will provide the fare cost of meals, accommodation, local travelling and sightseeing expense of 16 persons from each invited city or country during the official period of IMSO 2015 activities (1-7 November, 2015) in Pathum Thani, Thailand.

Each participating team is responsible for the travelling expenses (including visa fees and other expenses for their entry to Thailand) from their homeland to Suvarnabhumi airport or Don Mueang airport, Thailand and return to their countries.

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Enclosed please find detailed information of the competition. The application form and or other requests should be submitted to us via e-mail on or before the deadline as indicated in the Information brochure.

Welcome you to IMSO 2015 Competition in Pathum Thani, Thailand. Thank you.

Sincerely Yours,



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## **12<sup>th</sup> International Mathematics and Science Olympiad for Primary School (IMSO)**

### **1. Rationale**

It has been generally acknowledged that education determines the quality of human resources. Primary schools, as a part of basic education, provide students with skills of reading, writing, arithmetic, and basic science. A program which could stimulate creativity, develop critical and analytical thinking is important to be provided to students at the primary school level as they are in the "golden period of education".

To implement this program, Office of The Basic Education Commission, Ministry of Education of Thailand is organizing the 12<sup>th</sup> International Mathematics and Science Olympiad for primary school (IMSO 2015). Participation in 12<sup>th</sup> IMSO 2015 is by invitation.

### **2. Objectives**

- To allow primary school students from various countries developed the ability in mathematics and science at full potential.
- To create an academic atmosphere, encourages innovation, research development and academic progress.
- To create a network of cooperation in the development of teaching and learning of mathematics and science with international educational organizations.
- To disseminate international cultural exchanges and strengthen the relationship between Thai teachers and students and international teachers and students.

### **3. Activities**

- Primary Competitive International Mathematics and Science Olympiad.
- International Symposium.
- International cultural exchange and Educational tour.

### **4. Period and Event**

1-7 November 2015, Thailand.

### **5. Contestants and Officials**

Each country must have 16 in total of participants.  
a) Contestants

- The contestants of the Olympiad are grade V or VI students, less than 13 years old by 31 December 2015.

- Each country is entitled to send 12 students, 6 students for each subject.

#### **b) Officials**

Each country is entitled to send 4 officials consists of 1 team leader, 1 deputy leader and 2 tutors.

- Requirements for team leader and deputy leader

The team leader and deputy leader should have the ability to communicate in English.

- Requirements for tutors

The tutors should master the substance of primary school Mathematics and Science and have the ability to communicate in English.





#### 6. Awards and Medals

- Approximately two-thirds of contestants will be awarded gold, silver and bronze in the ratio 1:2:3
- Contestant who has the highest score of the competition will receive theoretical and practical trophy.
- Every contestants who attended the event will receive a certificate of participation.

#### 7. Types of problems and test regulations

- IMSO 2015 is an individual competition. The problems consist of 2 parts for each subject :  
1. Theoretical and exploration problems for Mathematics  
2. Theoretical and experimental problems for Sciences.
- The problems are constructed based on Mathematics and Science primary school curriculums, reference books, and other relevant sources, which cover intellectual, reasoning, and creativity.
- English is the language used in competitive exams.

#### 8. Juries

The juries are appointed by the organizing committees:

- The central committee of international experts.
- Math and Science professionals from countries that have joined the competition.
- Math and Science experts and professionals by Ministry of Education, Thailand.

#### 9. Expenses

- Thailand is responsible for the cost of registration of the 16 participants for the competition as of the requirements (No.5).
- To enter the contest, excess participants above 16, the participants will be responsible (No.5) for the cost of registering of the exceeded number.
- Participants will be responsible for the cost of travel from their country to the Airport (Suvarnabhumi, Don Mueang) including charges Visa and fees to travel in and out of Thailand.

#### 10. Insurance (Medical care for participants)

Organized insurance for participants will cover from 1-7 November, 2015. The Insurance does not cover the personal illness of participants.



#### 11. Application Period

- Participants must respond with contact person before 15 July 2015.
- The name lists of students, team leaders, deputy leader and tutors must be register before 1 September 2015.
- Notify the details of travel Scheduled flights before 15 September 2015.
- Confirm itinerary before 15 October 2015.

#### 12. Letter of participation and registration forms

Countries who are interested in joining this competition should confirm their participation by sending a letter of participation to the responsible office of IMSO before 15 May 2015 to the address below :

#### Responsible office:

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Office of The Basic Education Commission  
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## 12<sup>th</sup> International Mathematics and Science

### Olympiad for Primary School (IMSO)

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