

Today: *Cold* or *Warm*?

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**Happy Birthday to:**



**Victor da Rocha Sales**  
13.07.2014



**Mykhailo Rashkovetskyi**  
14.07.2014



*learn to speak the Kazakh language*

**Қонақ** - гость - guest

**Саламатсыз ба?** - Здравствуйте - Hello/Hi!

**Көмек** - Помощь - Help

**Қайырлы таң** - Доброе утро - Good morning

**Қайырлы күн** - Добрый день - Good afternoon

**Қайырлы кеш** - Добрый вечер

- Good evening

**Қайырлы түн** - Доброй ночи

- Good night

**Рахмет** - Спасибо - Thanks

**Кешіріңіз** - Извините - Excuse me

**Нан** - хлеб - Bread

**Ас дәмді болсын** - Приятного аппетита

- Have a nice meal

**Қалай өтуге болады?**

- Как пройти?

- How to get to?

## Few words from the participants



**Do Thi Bich Hue from Vietnam:**

I really liked the opening ceremony, especially all kinds of music and dance. Overall, I am glad to be here in Kazakhstan, although the weather changes quite quickly here.



**Aljohani Ebrahim from Saudi Arabia:**

The ceremony was quite musical and the architecture in the city is amazing, especially the Pyramid.



**Sharma Rajesh From Nepal:**

We really liked the transformer kind of dance with lights in the dark. We are quite impressed with Astana and the weather here reminds us of home.



**Bisnjak Shirani from Suriname:**

It is exciting to come to Kazakhstan from Suriname. We are enjoying our stay and the ceremony, but it is taking time to adjust to the drastic time change.

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## The Opening Ceremony of the 45th International Physics Olympiad

was held at the beautiful Palace of Peace and Reconciliation yesterday. The ceremony kicked off with a speech from Guest of Honor – Mr. Aslan Saranzhipov, the Minister of Education and Science. He stressed the importance and honor of holding such a grand event in Kazakhstan, addressed the issues and challenges that the science faces and bade good luck to the participants of the Olympiad.

Minister remarked that since 1997 Kazakhstan has become a full member of the International Physics Olympiad. The best result of Kazakhstan team was featured in 2011, where our students won 3 gold, 1 silver and 1 bronze medals and the title of absolute winner on theoretical tour. High international prestige of Kazakhstan is economic growth and political stability has attracted the attention of the world's intellectual community.



After the Minister, the President of IPhO Prof. Hans Jordens addressed the convention. In 2013, he proposed to invite Kazakhstan to host the IPhO. Professor noted that Kazakhstan had a limited amount of time for the preparation for the Olympiad. With this in mind, he commended the organizers for their efforts. Afterwards, esteemed judges, guests as well as the participants were treated to an array of exciting



performances. The show was a mix of old and new, and successfully captured the diverse spirit of Kazakhstan. In the end, the Torch of the Olympiad was lit and that signified the official opening of the IPhO 2014.



### International Board Meeting, discussion and translation was held in "Saryarka-4" Ballroom at Radisson Hotel





Nazarbayev University, created on the initiative of the President of Kazakhstan Nursultan Nazarbayev, aims to become the first research and world-class university in Kazakhstan. The activities of the University are associated with the implementation of the main priorities of the country, including the development of advanced research capacity, innovation in technology and industry, and the transition to a system of education that meets the demands of a changing and globally integrated economy.

The academic process at the University is based on international educational standards, which contributes to the advancement of the education system of Kazakhstan and takes it to the international level. This is the first university in Kazakhstan that is committed to

working according to international academic standards and guided by the principles of autonomy and academic freedom.

**Vision:**  
To give Kazakhstan and the world the scientists, academics, managers and entrepreneurs they need to prosper and develop.

**Mission:**  
To be a model for higher education reform and modern research in Kazakhstan and to contribute to the establishment of Astana as an international innovation and knowledge hub.

- Strategic goals:**
- Goal I: To ensure that the lessons of Nazarbayev University's experience are transferred and understood by other universities, schools, and research centers
  - Goal II: To achieve Nazarbayev University's mission by developing and maintaining academic excellence
  - Goal III: To develop a program of world-class research by partnering with the world's best researchers and research institutions
  - Goal IV: To establish a healthcare system that will provide a model for healthcare services throughout Kazakhstan
  - Goal V: To become Kazakhstan's main driver of innovation, leading the way for Astana to become a regional hub of innovation

