Condolences

We know that all of you are shocked by the news that the Malaysia Airlines MH17 flight crashed in eastern Ukraine. We convey our deep condolence to the Dutch, Malaysian, Australian, Indonesian, British, German, Belgian, Canadian, USA and South African team members, whose fellow citizens fell victim in this tragedy. Please let us know if you need any help or support from our side.

- Organizing Committee & IPhO 2014 Family

Today: Cold or Warm?







Cheers! - Densawlığıñız üşin! Here is to your health! - Sawlığıñız üşin! good / bad - jaqsı / jaman big / small - ülken / kişkentay near / far - jagın / alıs less / more - kişi / köp

another / enough - taghy / jetti I am vegetarian. - Men vegetarianşılmın. I don't eat meat. - Men yet jemeymin. I am allergic to nuts. - Menin jañğaqtarğa allergiyam bar. I do not drink vodka! - Men araq qoidym.

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ipho footbal cup

Since IPhO 2014 began with the World Cup Final Game, it was impossible not to try out a mini-World cup of our own right here in Astana. According to Alinur, a Minister of Sports at Nazarbayev University, 44 teams were set up, some consisting of mixed teams. 22 matches is the just the first stage of the Cup. Teams have not been able to finish the games in the evening as planned. Nevertheless, students are happy to wait for the night or next day games.

Daniel from Brazil, as a representative of the host of the World Cup, noted professional play of the participants and general physics aesthetics of the games. When asked if his team would like to meet Germany Physics team, he

appreciated the idea but noted that he would not be looking for revenge or anything of that sort. Representatives of Denmark, host of last year's IPhO, played some impressive games and insisted that the Football Cup itself should be the actual IPhO.

Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan's southwestern neighbor, faced a multinational team of Suriname, South Africa, and Bulgaria, a rare combination even by European Footbal Club standards. The game was guite intense and the penalties favored the multinationals, despite all the cheers from Turkish fans present on the field.

The winner will be announced tomorrow...









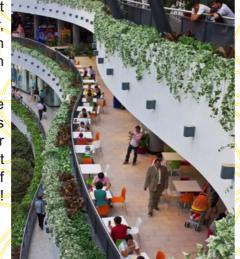
Visit to Khan Shatyr

Khan Shatyr is a giant transparent tent. The 150m-high tent has a 200 m elliptical base covering 140,000

square meters. Underneath the tent, an area larger than 10 football stadiums, is an urban-scale internal park, shopping and entertainment venue with squares and cobbled streets, a boating river, shopping center, minigolf and indoor beach resort. Many team members, such as Czech team, appreciated the modern architecture and its nice combination with tradition.

IPhO students enjoyed some shopping and dining at the entertainment center. Mostly, however, they were looking for souvenirs and then waiting in line to buy traditional hats, fridge magnets, and other memorable things. It seems that students were particularly excited about Kazakh bestselling chocolate called "Kazakhstan". Some wondered if such mass-scale chocolate purchase was inspired by "Kazakhstan! Kazakhstan!" chants in Borovoe.













Philip Ayazi from Slovakia: IPHO in Astana will remain in the memory of all participants forever

45th International Physics Olympiad (IPHO), will remain forever in the memory of all its participants, believes the young physicist Philip Ayazi from Slovakia.

"We have arrived in Astana few days ago. We have a varied program of entertainment. In a short time we managed to visit many places. I liked the monument from where you can see the entire city. Moreover we had an interesting tour of the museum. Nazarbayev University is generally a separate issue for discussion. It has created all necessary conditions for learning. No doubt, Olympiad 2014 will forever remain in the memory of all its participants", said P.Ayazi in an interview.

He added that many young people have already managed to thank the organizers and volunteers. "Many delegates after the first day of the Olympiad thanked the organizing committee's members and volunteers. I hope to keep warm relations with members of other teams for years to come. After all, it's great when you have so many friends!", said Slovak student.



Many Countries of the world have much to learn from Kazakhstan - IPHO participant from Greece

Many countries of the world have much to learn from Kazakhstan, said Zoe Tsangalidu representing Greece at the 45th International Physics Olympiad in Astana.

"The Olympiad in Astana is perfectly organized. Schoolchildren from around the world were able to express themselves, and get positive energy from communicating with each other. It is evident that your country is rapidly developing. Many countries of the world have much to learn from Kazakhstan", said the student from Greece.

"Walking around the city we saw a lot of construction projects. It will be interesting to see Astana in five years. I am sure I will come here again", concluded Z. Tsangalidu.

Meanwhile at the Hotel on the Right Bank of the River...



Team leaders and Jury members picked up their marks for experimental papers and then approved medal ranges. After this, moderation of theoretical and experimental sections took place. The day ended with an International Board Meeting, where team leaders discussed and summarized their week. Everyone is looking forward to a good sleep to look good and fresh at the Closing ceremony.