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IPhO World Cup Winners

- 1) Bosnia and Herzegovina + Macedonia
- 2) Denmark
- 3) Suriname + South Africa + Bulgaria

Congratulations! You played excellent games!

## Farewell Dinner

Delicious meal at Radisson Hotel after the award ceremony



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GAME:

## IPHO SCAVENGER HUNT

Students got involved in a scavenger hunt as soon as they finished their breakfast. About 40 teams participated in the game with each team consisting of two-three countries. In the game, the participants had to count the number of palms on campus and answer questions on Astana's sightseeing sites. Particularly interesting was the question on physics formula, which basically required correct answers for each question. The first 9 teams that completed the assignments are considered winners, although almost every team guessed the right answer and found the treasure. Here are Top 9 prizewinners:

1. Cyprus and Denmark
2. UK and Ukraine
3. Turkey and Thailand
4. Macao and Moldova
5. Israel and Japan
6. Kazakhstan and Nepal
7. USA and Iceland
8. South Korea and Switzerland
9. Kyrgyzstan and Vietnam

Cyprus and Denmark, congratulations!





# IPhO Closing Ceremony

It is hard to believe one week has flown by so fast and the Pyramid embraced the participants once again; this time for closing the Olympiad, but also for awarding the students who scored higher on the exams. After traditional music performances, of which the participants have had quite a lot this year, the award ceremony began. Former IPhO Gold medalists from Kazakhstan began awarding students with honorable mention diplomas and the Minister of Education of Kazakhstan completed the award ceremony with honoring the special award winners. In the end, the Kazakh delegation transferred the IPhO flag to India, which will be hosting IPhO 2015.

Wondering what it takes to win a gold medal, we decided to interview some of the winners. Edtmair Oliver (Austria) recommended never giving up. At IPhO 2011, he was only 14 and got an honorable mention. Next two years he got silver medals. IPhO 2014 is his final Olympiad and he is happy to get his Gold here. Amir Bralin and Nurislam Tursynbek (Kazakhstan) won silver medals at IPhO 2013. They worked hard this whole year, especially because they had an added responsibility of being a host country. Arsenii Pikalov (Russia) won a silver medal at APhO 2014, but ended up presenting the most creative solution at IPhO 2014. Josephine Monica (Indonesia) also won a silver medal at APhO 2014, but won her gold in Astana. Arsenii and Josephine both said that IPhO 2014 was more difficult than the APhO, although the reverse is usually true. Francis Wang (Singapore), awarded

for the best experiment, noted that this year's Olympiad was very difficult compared to previous ones.

## Gold winners

1	Xiaoyu Xu	People's Republic of China
2	Haoyu Guo	People's Republic of China
3	Cao Ngoc Thai	Vietnam
4	Zijin Shi	People's Republic of China
5	Cyuan-Han Chang	Taiwan
6	Jiawei Dai	People's Republic of China
7	Kunhee Kim	South Korea
8	Amir Bralin	Kazakhstan
9	Fan Francis Wang	Singapore
10	Oliver Edtmair	Austria
11	Roman Zakharov	Russian Federation
12	Jiayu Li	People's Republic of China
13	Hyeok Choi	South Korea
14	Ting-Chun Lin	Taiwan
15	Chi-Fang Chen	Taiwan
16	Do Thi Bich Hue	Vietnam
17	Alexander Melentyev	Russian Federation
18	Arsenii Pikalov	Russian Federation
19	Aniket Bajpai	India
20	Ya-Lun Sung	Taiwan
21	Ka Kit Kong	Macao Special Administrative Region of China
22	Chitraang Murdia	India
23	Vit Sriprachyakul	Thailand
24	Jau Tung Chan	Singapore
25	Yong Hui Lim	Singapore
28	Jhih-Wei Chen	Taiwan
26	Taewook Kim	South Korea
27	Sorawich Wathanapenpaiboon	Thailand
29	VuThanh Trung Nam	Vietnam
30	Adam Krasuski	Poland
31	Chon ManSou	Macao Special Administrative Region of China
32	Calvin Huang	United States of America
53	Guy Segall	Israel
33	Sungjae Chi	South Korea
34	Thippayawis Cheunchitra	Thailand
35	Donghee Yeum	South Korea
36	Josephine Monica	Indonesia
37	Korrawat Pruegsanusak	Thailand
38	Nurislam Tursynbek	Kazakhstan
39	Vikram Sundar	United States of America
40	Danat Issa	Kazakhstan
41	Gabriel Găitan	Romania
42	Tudor Costel Crețu	Romania
43	Kevin Fei	United States of America

