

TERMS AND CONDITIONS
OF THE ASSOCIATION OF POLISH UNIVERSITIES (APUI) SCHOLARSHIP EXAM

§ 1. General provisions

1. These terms and conditions (hereinafter referred to as "**Regulations**") set out the rules for the scholarship competition (hereinafter referred to as the "**Competition**") of the APUI.
2. Competition Organizer and founder of the awards is Association of Polish Universities for Internationalization, hereinafter referred to as "**Organizer**", is a private non-profit organization with registered address at Puławska 182, Warsaw.
3. The competition aims to determine the academic level of participants in certain fields of knowledge for selection of candidates who will be eligible for scholarships given by partner higher education institutions in Poland.
4. Admission of applications for the Competition will continue until the date designated for each country where the exam will take place. The relevant information regarding this is provided during online registration for the exam
5. Entries to the Competition will be handled only through the website at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1--jLW5lWJl2SsuAvN9FhYwRzGdGzuHeBGzOWGIRO3d0/viewform?c=0&w=1>

§ 2. Participants of the Competition

1. Contest participants may **only be last year students**, who meet the conditions set out in this Regulation (hereinafter indicated as "Participants" or "Participant") **of the secondary schools (high school / lyceum) from countries where competition is scheduled to take place.**
2. Each Participant of the Final (second stage) exam, upon arriving at test center, is obliged to present a photo ID that proves he is a student of a school located in the territory of the countries indicated in paragraph 1 above.

§ 3. Rules to participate in the Competition

1. Participants may submit their intention to participate in the Competition only through the website indicated in paragraph 1(5) above. The date of sending the application is the date application is registered by the system (server date) supporting the above-mentioned webpage.
2. The organizer may refuse to accept the application submitted after the deadline and or incomplete applications. A person who made such an application shall not acquire the status of a Participant unless the Organizer decides otherwise.
3. Participation in the Competition is free.

4. The competition consists of two stages.
 - A. **The first stage** consists of an online test. This stage will take place between **Jan 1 - May 30, 2018** depending on academic year and special requirements of each country. Few days before the exam, Participants will be sent an email with the instructions and a clickable weblink that will be active only between certain hours on the exam date. Participants can take the online exam at a convenient location, with wifi access and a PC, chosen by the Participant or the Organizer. Winners of this stage will receive an email with details of where and when the second stage of the completion will take place.
 - B. **The second stage** (final exam) will be a multiple choice paper & pen exam with predominantly mathematics questions. This stage will take place between **1 February – 30 June 2018** depending on academic year and special requirements of each country. Winners will be selected by comparing the Participants from all countries on a overall list, however, top winners of each country will qualify for special prizes which will be declared with an email that will be sent to them separately.
5. Each participant provides the Organizer with the following personal data: name and surname, correspondence address, e-mail address and telephone number. In the event of a change to this data, Participant is responsible for sending the updated data to the Organizer.
6. If the application violates the rights of third parties, good practice, religious feelings, or contain inappropriate, offensive, vulgar language, or deemed to reveal content generally recognized as reprehensible and unacceptable, the Organizer reserves the right to remove the Application from the Competition.
7. Each Participant may submit an entry application to the Competition only once.
8. Participants cannot be employees of the Organizer, (whereby employees are understood as persons employed by the Organizer under a contract of employment, contract of mandate or contract for specific work), or persons cooperating with them, or providing services to them in connection with carrying out the Competition, regardless of the legal basis of cooperation (co-workers), as well as family members of the aforementioned. For the needs of the Competition, ascendants, descendants, siblings, spouses and adopted persons are considered as family members. The Organizer is not obliged to obtain written statements from the Participants regarding the fulfillment of the above condition, however, he has the right - in case of any doubts - to check the Competition Participant and verify the connections indicated above. In the absence of a reply or an answer clarifying these relationships, the Participant will be excluded from the Competition by the competition committee. Performing competition tasks as well as sending all data required by the Competition Organizer is tantamount to acceptance of the Regulations in full by the Participant. By entering the Competition, Participants pledge to comply with the rules set out in this document, as well as confirming they meet all the conditions for participating in the Competition and that the data provided as part of the application are true.
9. Participation in the Competition, as well as rights or obligations related to them, including the right to demand the issuance of the prize obtained by the Competition winner cannot be transferred to another person under any title

§ 4. [The rules for selecting winners of the Competition by the competition committee]

1. The Awards in the Competition are granted by the commission (hereinafter referred to as the "**Competition Commission**"), which will verify the correctness of the answers to the questions as part of the first and second stage of the Competition and will declare the winners of each stage. Participants selected by the Competition Commission as the first stage winners will be entitled to participate in the second stage (finale). The winners of the second stage will be awarded according to the terms described in this Regulation.
2. The Competition Commission consists of 5 (five) persons elected by the Organizer. The Competition Commission selects a chairman from among its members, and if it is considered necessary it shall adopt its own internal rules of operation. The Competition Commission will assess the answers given to questions, decide winners, and prepare a report.
3. From among all participants who took the exam in all countries, a list of 50 (fifty) highest scoring students will be drawn as Competition winners. An Additional list of top performing students from each country will also receive rewards in case they could not be among the top ten students in the overall winners' ranking.
4. The Winners will be notified about the result of the Competition on **1 July** via e-mail by the Organizer.

§ 5 [Awards]

1. All winners of the first stage will automatically qualify for a reduction in tuition fees in case they prefer to enroll at an APUI member higher institution. The amount of this complementary reduction will be based on their exam performance.
2. The prizes for winners of the second stage (referred to hereinafter collectively as "**Awards**") are:
 - **1 to 3rd places**, free undergraduate studies and monthly cash allowance of 120 euros* for the entire period of undergraduate studies**, laptop with a maximum value of 2000 PLN gross,
* will be paid during the academic year for 9 months
**university's academic performance criterion will apply for continuation of scholarships
 - **4 to 10th places**, free undergraduate studies and a tablet with a maximum value of 1500 PLN gross ,
 - **11 to 20th places**, 50% discount on tuition fees for undergraduate studies in English or 25% discount on tuition fees for undergraduate studies in Polish,
 - **21 to 50**, 25% discount in the tuition fee for undergraduate studies in English or 15% discount in the tuition fee for undergraduate studies in Polish.
3. Every Winner may receive only one Award.
4. Non-monetary prizes will be picked up in person at the headquarters of the Organizer.
5. Monetary prizes specified in the Regulation are paid on a monthly basis only when the winner starts undergraduate studies under the conditions set out in this Regulation.
6. The prizes will be made available only in the form specified in this Regulation. Participants do not have the option of selecting special features of the Prizes or requesting their conversion into a cash equivalent or transfer these rights to another person.

7. The Organizer is not responsible for the inability to deliver the Prize if the winner provides incorrect or incomplete contact information or fails to contact the higher education institution offering the scholarship within the given time period.
8. The Organizer does not bear any responsibility and does not undertake, even if implicitly, to incur any fees, taxes and other charges as a substitute for the Participant in the Participant's country of origin or any other country other than Poland, unless otherwise provided by generally applicable law that are valid for the Organizer.

**§ 6. [Supervision over the organization of the Competition,
Complaint proceedings]**

1. The Competition Commission performs supervision over the proper course of the Competition. Commission decisions are taken by an absolute majority of votes in the presence of all members of the Competition Commission.
2. Complaints regarding matters related to the Competition must be submitted in writing to the Organizer, within 30 days after results of Competition declared to winners, directly to the Organizer's office (the date of delivery is binding) or by registered mail sent to his address indicated in this Regulation (postmark date is deciding). Complaints delivered or sent after the deadline set out above will not be considered as valid by the Organizer.
3. The complaint should contain the name, surname, e-mail address and exact address of the Participant, a detailed description of the complaint, a justification and suggested mode of resolution, and should be sent with the title "Complaint".
4. The organizer considers complaints immediately after receiving them.
5. The decision of the Competition Commission regarding the evaluation of entries and the awarding of the Awards is final.
6. In the event that Competition Committee receives information that a given application does not exist (e.g. by providing a false name), or that the law or provisions of these Regulations have been violated in any way, the Commission will not award the Participant or cancel any awards already given.
7. In the event when the recipient will not claim the non-monetary prize for any number of reasons, it will be waiting at the Organizer's office for 60 days from the date it was made available and a notice was sent to the winner to this effect. In the event of failure to collect the prize within the time specified above, the winner loses the right to the Award.
8. Any attempts to extort an Award in the Competition, in particular attempts to participate in it repeatedly, are tantamount to violation of the Regulations and exclusion from the Competition.

§ 7. [Personal data protection]

1. Personal data of participants, given in connection with participation in the Competition, will be processed by the Organizer only for the purpose of conducting the Competition; selecting

winners, informing about the results of the Competition and awarding and delivering the Awards.

2. The personal data of the Participants will be stored in a way that protects their disclosure and processed in accordance with the terms and conditions set out in the generally applicable laws.
3. Providing personal data by the Participant is voluntary, however, refusal to provide them will be considered as refusal of participation in the Contest.
4. Contest participants have the right to access their personal data and correct them.

§ 8. [Final Provisions]

1. The Regulation is available at the Organizer's office and on the Organizer's website.
2. The Regulation is the only binding document that specifies the rights and obligations of the Participants. All other information materials, including advertising and marketing materials, are only of auxiliary nature and cannot constitute any basis for pursuing claims against the Competition Organizer.
3. For matters not covered by these Regulations, generally applicable provisions of Polish law shall apply.