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Dear guests,

I am glad to meet you in Saint Petersburg. I am really pleased that the World Finals is taking place in this city.

You have chosen the occupation that provides you with unique opportunities not only for self-realization, but also for the development of entire humanity.

Advancing to such a prestigious contest as the World Finals is already a great achievement. I’m sure that serious preparations, profound knowledge and creative approach to solving the most complex problems will help you achieve great results, justify your mentors’ expectations and show that it is you who are the best programmers of the world.

I wish all the teams good luck in the upcoming competition and vivid impressions of staying in the Northern capital to our foreign guests.

Dmitry Medvedev
Prime Minister of Russian Federation
2013 ACM ICPC World Finals

Honorary Committee

Georgy Poltavchenko
Governor of Saint Petersburg

Dmitry Livanov
Minister of Education and Science

Nikolai Nikiforov
Minister of Telecom and Mass Media

Vladimir Vasilev
Rector of University ITMO
Welcome from the Governor of Saint Petersburg

Dear friends,

I’m glad to welcome organizers and participants of the 37th ACM ICPC World Finals in Saint Petersburg.

Saint Petersburg will be hosting this prestigious competition first time. 120 teams of 36 countries will take part in it. We fully deserved the honour to hold the World Finals by numerous victories of our students.

Saint Petersburg has always been the large scientific and educational centre of Russia and Europe. Over 430 000 students study at universities and institutes of our city. Nowadays special attention is paid to technical education. Saint-Petersburg training system of IT-specialists in higher education institutions is recognized worldwide.

Saint Petersburg government actively supports gifted young people. Also there are world-famous specialized high schools in area of exact sciences for talented students.

We create all conditions that the term “Petersburg’s programmer” will remain the international brand name and our students will strengthen the fame of Saint Petersburg and Russia.

I wish the World Finals participants fair competition and glorious victories, bright unforgettable impressions of staying in our city in a wonderful time of white nights.

Georgy Poltavchenko
Governor of Saint Petersburg
Welcome from the Minister of Education and Science

Dear organizers and participants,

I am pleased to welcome you at the 37-th Annual International Collegiate Programming Contest World Finals!

Russian system of education in fields of Mathematics, Computer Science, and Physics has always been considered one of the best in the world. The national system of search and training of young people gifted in hard sciences has been working for more than seventy years. Olympiads play an important role in this system.

I’d like to draw your attention to the fact that at present the majority of International Olympiads in hard sciences are held for high school students. And only in the fields of Computer Science and Information Technology, the highest level competition for university teams from all over the world was created by the efforts of international community. It succeeded in building a magnificent structure of the ACM ICPC that gathers students of over 90 countries from all the continents.

The Ministry of Education and Science of Russian Federation has supported Russian organizers of Regional Contests and participants of the World Finals for many years. Russian educational community was happy to learn that the 37th ACM ICPC World Finals 2013 would be held in our country in one of the most beautiful cities of the world Saint Petersburg.

Advancing to World Finals is already a great achievement. I am sure that your talent and hard work will be the foundation of your future professional success.

I hope that bright impressions and good memories of your stay in our city during the World Finals will remain with you forever.

Dmitry Livanov
Minister of Education and Science
Welcome from the Minister of Telecom and Mass Media

Dear Team Members, Coaches, Organizers and Spectators,

Nowadays, software development is the fastest growing field of the high-technology industry on the Russian market. During the period of the last fifteen years, we managed to accumulate and maximize our scientific, educational and engineering potential. Many Russian software development companies are now recognized all around the world. Many large international companies have established research and development centres in our country.

Software development is the area of human activity where workforce efficiency can differ a lot. The most talented and qualified specialists are inclined to become project leaders and “idea generators”, thus increasing their value in software development industry.

The distinctive features of software developer’s job are early professional training and early employment in the industry. Programming is available to people of different age, starting from the very young ones. Current high school and university students will soon turn into software development industry employees.

The best young programmers from all over the world, who gathered in Saint Petersburg for the 37th Annual ACM ICPC World Finals, have fabulous prospects for creative self-development and building a successful and prosperous career.

Nikolai Nikiforov
Minister of Telecom and Mass Media
Welcome from the Rector of University ITMO

Dear contestants, coaches and volunteers!

It has been a long time since our university first took part in a regional contest. It was almost twenty years ago, in 1994. In 1996 in Philadelphia it was the first time we had participated in the World Finals and since then our teams have always been there. Four times our university has claimed Europe and World champion titles, five times we were among the top three teams. And now for the first time ITMO has an honor to host the 37th ACM ICPC World Finals.

Our long experience of taking part in programming contests lets us claim their great significance for IT-technology development in the world. Time has proved that programming contests are effective in attracting the most brilliant high school and university students to learn computer science and programming and help them to become highly qualified experts. Team-based competitions are especially powerful in this matter and ICPC is the most significant of them in the world. These contests train student’s ability to work in conditions of high competition and shortage of time, to communicate and work together, to take the initiative and hold responsibility, to navigate themselves quickly in new subject areas and solve arising problems. I believe that ICPC has helped our city software industry to evolve to its current competitive state.

I would like to pay special attention to enormous contribution to ICPC that was made by our friend and counterpart Professor Bill Poucher. It was his enthusiasm, talent and personal efforts that allowed ICPC to reach its current level of recognition in world’s software development and computer science community.

I am sure that you will enjoy participating in a prestigious competition among the best young programmers. I hope you will also enjoy the beauty of our remarkable city.

I am sure that when you graduate from university and start working in IT industry, computer science or innovative business, you will return to Saint Petersburg with your ambitious projects. We are looking forward to seeing you again.

Vladimir Vasilev
Rector of University ITMO
Welcome from the Director of ACM ICPC 2013 World Finals

Welcome to St. Petersburg! The whole team of St. Petersburg ITMO volunteers is honored to host the 2013 World Finals of the most prestigious international collegiate programming contest in the world.

Dear team members and coaches, you’ve already made the great achievement of qualifying to compete in the World Finals. You’ve proven that you are the best of the best programmers in the world. This whole event is produced for you. You are the reason why it happens. We are here to ensure that you will bring home one of the best memories of your lifetime.

Dear RCDs, ICPC staff, and volunteers, your dedication to ICPC community, your hard work and support constitute the spirit of ICPC. You stay with ICPC year after year and carry this spirit to the next generation of volunteers to come. You deserve the best treatment that we’ve provided for you.

You are coming to St. Petersburg, to one of the most beautiful cities of the world, at the height of its most beautiful season — the White Nights. St. Petersburg was founded more than 300 years ago. It was designed and built from scratch by the best architects of the world to be the capital of Russia. Your stay during the competition is hosted at the heart of St. Petersburg historic city centre that is designated as UNESCO World Heritage site. You’ll see the finest examples of baroque and neoclassical architecture all around you. While no longer serving as a capital of Russia, St. Petersburg is indeed the cultural capital of Russia, with multitude of its museums and theaters, and with its highly educated, cultural and hospitable population.

Enjoy your stay in St. Petersburg!

Roman Elizarov
Direcor of ACM ICPC 2013 World Finals
Welcome to the 37th Annual ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest World Finals sponsored by IBM and hosted by the St. Petersburg National Research University of Information Technologies, Mechanics, and Optics. We have partnered with the UPE Honor Society and ACM to provide you with the finest possible setting here in St. Petersburg, Russia.

The ACM-ICPC World Finals culminates the efforts of faculty and students from 2,322 universities in 91 countries that placed 29,479 students in teams of three at over 300 regional sites worldwide. The top 120 teams have advanced to the World Finals. Congratulations to the 2013 World Finalists and all who have made this possible!

You have earned the right to compete for further recognition for a simple reason. You bested 29,119 of your peers from six continents who challenged you to do your best. So here you are, champions all, with the opportunity to earn medals — bronze, silver, and gold — while vying to make the “2013 World Champions” prove their worth beyond measure.

There are so many stars visible in the ICPC Community. UPE has served for 43 years, ACM has served for 36 years, and Baylor University has served for 25 years. In 16 years of IBM sponsorship, the ICPC has expanded participation by more than 1100%!

Consider the 2013 DeBlasi Award recipients, the Northeastern European Regional Contest volunteers and the NEERC headquarters team from ITMO. With leadership from Vladimir Vasilev, Vladimir Parfenov, Roman Elizarov, Matvei Kazakov and Andrey Stankevich, their accomplishments, dedication and volunteer spirit has extended the ICPC Community throughout northeastern Europe and northern Asia. Consider the 2013 Measures Award recipient, Dr. Vladimir Parfenov of ITMO. Vladimir has spent a lifetime opening doors of opportunity and encouraging gifted problem solvers. Combined, their efforts have transformed and enriched many communities for decades — at home and across the globe.

Here we are in St. Petersburg, in July, in the midst of White Nights, where Enlightenment first bloomed under Peter the Great. Here we are in the land of great poets, enchanting composers, and magnificent ballet. Let us draw from these strengths and their purpose as we celebrate the opportunities before us.

How might Pushkin have greeted you to St. Petersburg? “Душе настало пробуждение: И вот опять явилась ты, как мимолётное виденье, Как гений чистой красоты.” “But time has come, my soul awakened, and you once more appear to me — a ghost, an apparition fleet — as genius of the purest grace.” I join World Finals Director, Roman Elizarov, in welcoming all to the 2013 ACM ICPC World Finals in St. Petersburg!

Best Wishes!

William B. Poucher, Ph.D., ACM Fellow
ICPC Executive Director
Welcome from IBM

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the 37th Annual ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest World Finals! The ICPC is the world’s largest and most prestigious programming competition. This year marks IBM’s sixteenth year as sponsor of the World Finals and we are thrilled to be here with you in beautiful St. Petersburg, Russia.

Many of you are members of the teams that have qualified for the World Finals and as such are part of an elite group of young programmers from the world’s best universities and colleges and are to be heartily congratulated for qualifying for this year’s finals. I know that it has taken a lot of hard work and dedication to get here, and you should all be very proud.

Some of you are part of an extraordinary group of volunteers, including the coaches, regional and site contest directors, who devote an enormous amount of time and effort in support of the ICPC. I welcome you and sincerely thank you for your passion and dedication to the ICPC.

I also want to recognize the ICPC leadership and their staff of volunteers, our hosts from St. Petersburg National Research University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics, and their supporters, and the IBM team for their outstanding commitment and tireless efforts to make this week a memorable one for all of us.

I hope that you will make the most of your attendance at this event and take full advantage of meeting and networking with the other participants here from all over the world as well as the many academic, business, and technical professionals attending the finals. Many long-lasting friendships began at an ICPC World Finals and we hope you will continue this tradition and become full and active members of our extended family.

We look forward to spending time with you throughout the week. During TechTrek on Monday, you will have the opportunity to see some of IBM’s newest technologies and learn more about Big Data and its impact on the world. We hope you will be able to join us on an excursion to the amazing Hermitage Museum, a fascinating collection of art and sculpture housed in the former Winter Palace of the Russian Emperors. We hope you will also be able to join us on Monday and Tuesday night for our Chill Zone which will be a fun place to gather for games and relaxation with the other attendees. Of course the highlight of the week for me, and for all of my IBM colleagues, will be the main event and watching you compete on the international stage on Wednesday. On behalf of the IBM team, best of luck to all of you.

After months of preparation, the 2013 ACM-ICPC World Finals is finally here! Be proud of what you have already accomplished. Try to get as much as you can out of this extraordinary life experience. Try to relax and have lots of fun this week. The memories that you will make during this exciting and momentous time will remain with you forever!

Doug Heintzman
ACM-ICPC Sponsoring Executive
Director of Strategy, IBM Collaboration Solutions
IBM Software Group
Welcome from ACM

Welcome to the 37th annual ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest (ICPC) World Finals. ACM is extremely proud to participate in the life of the ICPC community. The ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest (ICPC) traces its roots to a competition held at Texas A&M in 1970 hosted by the Alpha Chapter of the UPE Computer Science Honor Society. The vigor and excitement of this contest has not diminished over its 43-year history and, if anything, has become more meaningful as the information age has evolved. This year, the event will be held at the National Research University ITMO at St. Petersburg in the Russian Federation.

ACM is deeply grateful to the University team and to IBM for their commitment since 1997 to the ICPC. We thank UPE, the international honor society for computing and information disciplines for its founding and continuing support for the ICPC program.

ACM is very pleased to extend free student memberships to all student participants in the ICPC, with the highest privileges given to you, the 2013 World Finalists.

May fortune smile upon you, both here at the World Finals and in the course of your chosen careers. Practitioners in our discipline demonstrate their professionalism and commitment by becoming members of ACM. I welcome each of you, personally, to join your many colleagues and mentors who already make the ACM the most important international professional society in computer science.

Vint Cerf
ACM President
Welcome from UPE

On behalf of UPSILON PI EPSILON, I would like to welcome each one of you to St. Petersburg and the 2013 ICPC. This event is always an exciting time for all of us in UPE. Each year we have the opportunity to interact with the best students in the computing and information disciplines and renew friendships and meet new academic colleagues from around the world who serve as ICPC volunteers. These individuals help insure the success of the World Finals and most have been involved in the various segments of the ICPC — local, regional, and the world finals — for several years.

Since the first contest finals in 1977, there have literally been thousands of people who have served as programming contest volunteers, and UPE wishes to salute these individuals, past and present, for they are truly the backbone of the ICPC. We are also fortunate to have great coordination from the ICPC staff at Baylor University and corresponding support from the IBM Corporation. We salute the Baylor and IBM teams for running a great contest each year.

Indeed, it is a pleasure to have St. Petersburg as our host city, given the many historical venues in this city. In addition, this is home to St. Petersburg University of IT, Mechanics and Optics, an institution that has won several ICPC world championship trophies.

Again, welcome to the 2013 ICPC. Have a great time in St. Petersburg.

Orlando Madrigal, Ph.D.
Executive Director of UPE
Dear Friends,

Welcome to one of the world’s most important events in computer programming celebrating the power of thought and ingenuity. This is the 37th time when hundreds of talented and committed young computer engineers and mathematicians will meet at the World Finals of the Annual International Collegiate Programming Contest running under the auspices of the Association for Computing Machinery.

With internet technology, computer engineering, mathematics and data analysis at the core of Yandex, we have always underscored how much Russia’s long-standing tradition in these disciplines meant for us. We have always felt honored to have the privilege to support the ICPC events for many years regardless of where in the world they take place. This year, Yandex is especially happy to welcome all participants, mentors and partners to Saint Petersburg, home not only to some of the world’s greatest mathematicians, but also to the current host and our long-time partner, the Saint Petersburg National Research University of Information Technologies, Mechanics, and Optics.

We are happy to see participants from Russia at the ICPC World Finals each year, especially when they win and come to work at Yandex. To support and nurture young talent is as important to us as to make contributions to computer research and engineering. Yandex mentors have been running workshops, master classes and lectures in applied mathematics and programming on a regular basis, including a series that have been designed specifically to help students prepare for the ACM contests. We also run our own multi-tiered system of competitions, educational programs and events for young computer engineers and coders. Through our School of Data Analysis, we offer a free master’s-level course in computer science, machine learning, image and text processing and more, taught by some of the world’s most brilliant researchers and practitioners in these fields.

Yandex will keep contributing to the ICPC community with any kind of support. We are wishing all contestants the best of luck. Enjoy your time at the contest, enjoy Saint Petersburg and have fun!

Arkady Volozh
CEO of Yandex
Welcome to Saint Petersburg
St. Petersburg was conceived and built at the behest of Peter the Great, who dreamt of a new capital, which would yield nothing to any other European capitals. The City on the Neva was created by skills and talent of not only Russians, but also numerous foreigners invited by the Russian emperors. The architects, sculptors, artists and craftsmen who came here introduced and carefully nurtured on the banks of the Neva, European art, crafts, technologies, and traditions, whereby Russian people found themselves completely involved in the world’s civilization, retaining at the same time their own peculiarity and integrity, and creating a special St. Petersburg style.

Domenico Trezzini, Bartolomeo Rastrelli, Jacomo Quarenghi, Andrey Stakenschneider, Karl Rossi, Auguste Montferrand and many other prominent architects worked in the city. St. Petersburg is famous for its architectural ensembles, which amaze everybody coming to the banks of the Neva. As a result, the museum-city was born, with its inimitable palace interiors, park ensembles, fountains, and striking views of the suburbs: Peterhof, Tsarskoye Selo, Pavlovsk, Strelna, Oranienbaum, Gatchina.

St. Petersburg is inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage list as an area with 36 historical architectural complexes and around 4000 outstanding individual monuments of architecture, history and culture.

St. Petersburg is dubbed the cultural capital. The “soul of the city,” its aura, cherishes the memory of poets and writers. Streets and squares, bridges and embankments, rivers and channels, and the Neva itself were reflected in great Russian literature — quotations from the works of Fyodor Dostoevsky, Vladimir Nabokov, Joseph Brodsky, Alexander Pushkin, Nikolay Gogol, Alexander Blok and Anna Akhmatova. The greatest artists of the 20th century — Malevich and Filonov, Serov and Vrubel worked here.

The musical life in the city began developing from the moment of its foundation. Already from the second half of the 18th century, St. Petersburg was the centre of European musical culture. Operas of foreign and Russian composers were staged in the theaters, which appeared at that time. Since the 19th century the city has been inseparably linked to the great names — Mikhail Glinka, Alexander Borodin, Modest Mussorgsky, Nikolay Rimsky-Korsakov, Pyotr Tchaikovsky, Alexander Glazunov, Igor Stravinsky, Sergey Prokofiev, Fyodor Shalyapin and Dmitry Shostakovich. St. Petersburg is saturated with music.

The great dance culture of St. Petersburg is known all over the world. Some thirty years after the foundation of the city, the court ballet performances became a regular occurrence there. At that time the first Russian ballet school was opened in St. Petersburg. In the late 18th century the art of ballet was established and became a bright event in Russian culture. St. Petersburg ballet art has been world-renowned since the beginning
of the 20th century to the present day. Neginsky, Pavlova, Nureev, Baryshnikov and Makarova danced here.

The world’s renowned Mariinsky Opera and Ballet Theater is an outstanding phenomenon of Russian musical culture, its opera and ballet art. The brilliant masters of the musical stage worked and still work here. Many ingenious works of Russian composers were premiered in the grand auditorium of Mariinka. And nowadays, new performances are still born here. The city is particularly beautiful during the period of White Nights. Annually, the Mariinsky Theater holds the festival “Stars of the White Nights,” during which leaders of the world’s stage take part. Its artistic director Valeriy Gergiev has started implementing a large-scale project of the theater’s enlargement; he plans to cooperate with the world’s best theaters.

At the beginning of May 2013 the new stage of the Mariinsky theater was opened. The opening of the Mariinsky II will confirm and strengthen the great traditions of the theater, opening the path to a future where it will be possible to stage the most contemporary works and innovative productions, of which nobody could even have dreamt before.

The first Russian state public theater was established in St. Petersburg in the mid-18th century. Since that time, theater has been inseparable from the city. Now, there are more than 30 drama and 7 musical theaters in St. Petersburg.
The city is a home to a multitude of museums with tremendous collections of paintings, sculpture, armor and applied art. There are world's renowned the Hermitage, the Russian Museum, and the Peter and Paul Fortress. Their collections can satisfy the most sophisticated taste and imagination. St. Petersburg itself is an open-air museum.

St. Petersburg is the city of great science. It was here that in 1724 the Russian Academy of Sciences was founded, and the scientists, invited by Peter, from Europe, were working. Mikhail Lomonsov, the first Russian academician and encyclopedist, worked here. In the 19th to 20th centuries the scientists of the city redounded to the fame of Russian science. The first Russian museum, the first University and the first Academy of Fine Arts were founded here. St. Petersburg boasts a great number of scientific institutes, where not only fundamental science, but also applied science is being developed — mathematics (now world-famous Grigory Perelman works in St. Petersburg), physics, computer science, mining, optics, mechanics, chemistry, energy, etc. And today, St. Petersburg’s science remains a source of Russian pride.

St. Petersburg is the largest centre of education. There are 49 state and 70 non-state higher education establishments in the city now, enrolling 430 thousand students from Russia and other countries. St. Petersburg State University has recently celebrated its 275th anniversary.
St. Petersburg is an IT-industrial centre. The city, in addition to its world famous architectural and cultural heritage, has become a recognized centre for information technologies.

St. Petersburg’s leading software development companies, including JetBrains, PROMT, Speech Technologies Centre, and Transas Technologies, occupy high positions in the world IT market. Such service companies as Reksoft, DataArt, Lanit-Terkom, and First Line Software are constantly rated among the World Top 100.

St. Petersburg’s engineers make a significant contribution to research and development of new solutions for the world’s leading software, computer and telecom equipment vendors located in the city, including Google, Oracle, EMC, Intel, Siemens, T-Systems, HP, Motorola, Yandex, Epam Systems, Luxoft, Kaspersky Labs, Alcatel-Lucent, Nokia and Huawei.

St. Petersburg historically accommodates a number of leading technical universities. Since 2000 teams from St. Petersburg universities have won the ACM ICPC World Finals six times (twice — St. Petersburg State University: 2000 and 2001, four times — University ITMO: 2004, 2008, 2009 and 2012). The city has strong R&D traditions as well as a developed community of commercial software development companies. The headquarters of the National Association of Software Developers RUSSOFT, which unites more than 70 companies from different regions of Russia, is located in St. Petersburg.

The city’s contribution to the development of a new wave of hi-tech businesses is probably the most significant in Russia. This fact is revealed in the organization of Internet Projects Contest “Web Ready,” which is supported by the City Government as well as a number of Russian and foreign companies. Today, this event is the largest contest of internet projects in Russia.

St. Petersburg is recognized as one of the world’s leading software development centres. Thus, St. Petersburg is ranked 31st in the Top 100 Outsourcing Cities rating published by Global Services in 2010. According to the Top-50 Emerging Global Outsourcing Cities rating identified by Global Services and Tholons in 2009, St. Petersburg has the highest ranking. The city tops the list of the world’s fastest growing cities suitable for location of R&D centres and is ranked among the top five leading cities suitable for development of solutions for Healthcare Services and Engineering Services. Moreover, St. Petersburg is also ranked among the three world cities, which will become the best Product Development centres in the near future. Today, 4 out of 6–8 Russian IT-outsourcing companies, which are constantly listed in the Global Services 100 rating, are located in St. Petersburg.
University ITMO
Saint Petersburg National Research University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics (University ITMO) is one of the oldest educational institutions in Russia. Having been established in 1900 as the Mechanics-Optics and Watch (Clock) Department of the Vocational School named after Crown Prince Nicolas, this educational institution started training technical specialists in the field of Optics, Mechanics and Technology. Later the Vocational School was transformed first into Leningrad Technical College of Fine Mechanics and Optics (1920) and then in 1930 into Leningrad Institute of Fine Mechanics and Optics (LITMO).

In the course of its manifold activity the Institute ITMO was developed as an institute of higher technical education that provided preparation of engineers in various specialties. In 1994 the Institute was awarded the status “Technical University” and since 1998 its title has been “The Saint Petersburg State University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics”. Nowadays the University ITMO is a leading university in Russia in the field of information technologies and photonics.

The university Rector, Professor Vladimir Vasilev, is an Honored Worker of Science in Russian Federation, the laureate of the President of Russian Federation Prize (twice) and the Russian Government Prize (twice), Vice-President of the Russian University Rectors Union, Chairman of St. Petersburg University Rectors Council, a Corre-
A corresponding Member of the Russian Academy of Sciences, and a Corresponding Member of the Russian Academy of Education.

A multilevel system of education is now realized at the University: Bachelor of Science and Technology (four academic years), Certified Specialist (six years) and Master of Science and Technology (six years). More than 10000 full-time students are trained at the University. The University includes 15 Faculties, 3 institutes, 7 research institutes and one Academy. They occupy 15 buildings located in the historical centre of St. Petersburg. About 980 teachers are on the staff of the University and more than 680 of them have doctorate degrees. The University provides higher education in about 100 programs.

Among the students there are those who have been awarded the most prestigious grants and scholarships of the President of Russian Federation, the Government of the Russian Federation, the City of St. Petersburg, and other bodies.

The University ITMO cooperates effectively with many universities abroad and participates in the Bologna process, and, therefore, in the formation of the United European Education Area. The University ITMO is a full member of the European University Association. Within the framework of different exchange programs a number of our students participate in M.D. and Ph.D. training at foreign universities. A number of foreign students from European, Asian and African countries study annually at the University ITMO. The engineers and scientists who have got degrees at ITMO work all over the world including the USA, UK, China, Germany, France, Switzerland, Netherlands, Ireland, Italy, Poland, Hungary, Bulgaria, In-
dia, South Korea, Turkey, Vietnam, Cuba and many other countries.

The University ITMO was an initiator and principal developer of the United Federal University Computing Network RUNNet (the largest academic network in Russia). It provides direct access to the Internet. In 2000 the University team headed by the Rector, Professor Vladimir Vasilev, was awarded the Prize of the Russian Government in the area of education.

In 2007 the University ITMO won the All-Russia Contest for the best innovative Educational Programs. Realization of this program made it possible to achieve a qualitatively enhanced level of specialists’ preparation. Since September 2009 the University ITMO has participated in a process of establishing a new University of the Shanghai Organization of Cooperation. The University ITMO essentially contributes to creation and technical support of the information and communication platform and portal of this Organization.

In 2009 the University ITMO won a strong contest among leading Russian Universities for the honorary title “National Research University.” A development program of the University ITMO is principally aimed at gaining the competitive advantages of Russia in areas, of information and communication technologies taking into account the accelerating technological progress and globalization processes. The further progress of
the above-mentioned fundamental and applied researches is provided by enhancement and modernization of research centres, departments, laboratories and networks access. A material basis of the University gets even stronger with this purpose.

The leading scholars of the University ITMO as well as students and postgraduates take part in all the scientific researches. The basic scientific directions of the University ITMO are computer and information technologies, optical technologies, controlling systems, fine techniques and technologies, electrical technology and electronics, fundamental and applied researches in mathematics and physics. Basic research is conducted in the fields of computer technologies, guidance of robots, non-linear systems theory, computer networks, supercomputing, quantum electronics and non-linear optics, optics of biological tissues, physical optics and spectroscopy, laser and optical technologies, energy monitoring, non-centred optics, and biotechnology. On the basis of these investigations and developments, the scientists and specialists of the University ITMO create principally new devices, information systems, programming technologies, technologies and materials such as laser airborne and space systems, picoseconds lasers, laser and optical technologies, composition materials, optoelectronic measuring systems, medical laser systems, optical sensors for industrial and ecological applications, corporate networks, etc.
The University ITMO provides all the students and postgraduates with comfortable conditions for studying, living and relaxing. The nonresident students are provided with accommodation in the University’s dormitory.

**Computer Technology Department**

In 1990 a special project aimed at the creation of a multilevel educational system started in the University ITMO. This system includes selection, training, and employment of young people talented in the field of exact sciences. The main intention of the project was to bring up the high level specialists in the sphere of the computer science, applied mathematics, computational physics and software engineering who would be able to apply the latest achievements of sciences to the concrete problems of the software industry. In order to achieve this goal for a small group of specially selected schoolchildren, the Computer Technology Department was established by two professors Vladimir Vasiliev (rector of University ITMO) and Vladimir Parfenov (dean of the Faculty of Computer Science and Software Engineering).

The Computer Technology Department staff consists of the experienced professors from University ITMO and the other leading St. Petersburg universities as well as the top St. Petersburg experts in software R&D from both academia and industry.
Started by admitting annually only a small group of twenty students, the annual number of graduates has grown to about fifty-sixty young people. The system of student selection is based primarily on the unique St. Petersburg network of high schools specializing in mathematics and physics. This network has been fruitfully working for more than fifty years. The other source for student selection is the winners of International and Russian National School Olympiads in mathematics, physics and informatics.

The faculty project-based approach is widely used in the learning process and is still being developed. The essence of this approach is that students are immediately involved in real projects. Expediency and effectiveness of using such approach for training experts in software development are connected with the technological nature of a programmer’s profession and studied subjects. Expertise in the sphere of programming is gained only in the course of solving problems which arise from implementing and bringing a program to an operating state.

In 2008 for the creation of an innovative system of training highly qualified programmers which is based on the usage of project-based approaches, Vladimir Vasilev, Vladimir Parfenov, the head of the Programming Technologies Department Anatoly Sha-
lyto, the associate professors of the Computer Technology Department Matvey Kazako-
kov (Computer Technology Department graduate, Gold Medal in the ACM ICPC World
Finals 1999) and Georgiy Korneev (Computer Technology Department graduate, Silver
and Gold Medals in the World Finals 2000 and 2001) were awarded the Prize of Russian
Government in the sphere of education.

Particularly outstanding results have been achieved in computer science; one
can readily see the results of the Computer Technology Department student teams in
the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest.

In 1994 the student team of the Computer Technology Department initially partic-
ipated in the 1994-95 ACM ICPC taking the third place at the Eastern European Regional
Programming Contest in Bucharest. This team exhibited the best performance among
all Russian universities. In 1995 the student team took the first place at the Northwestern
European Regional Programming Contest in Amsterdam. Therefore, just due to the
students of the Computer Technology Department for the first time in the history of ACM
ICPC the Russian team was included in the World Finals in 1996. In 1996 the Computer
Technology Department team took the first place in the Northeast European Regional
Programming Contest in St. Petersburg and became the first Russia Champion.

Thanks to the victories of students trained in Computer Technology Department, University ITMO achieved the top International and Russian universities ranking based on the World Finals ACM ICPC performance. Beginning with 1995 students of the Computer Technology Department won regional contests nine times. Eight times they became the Russia Champions — in 1996, 2001, 2003, 2004, 2007, 2010, 2011 and 2012, and three times — vice-champions in 2000, 2005 and 2006. Since 1995 students of the Computer Technology Department have constantly reached the World Finals and in 2000 they got silver medals, in 1999, 2001, 2003, 2005 and 2007 they won gold medals and in 2004, 2008, 2009 and 2012 they became the World and Europe Champions. Due to these achievements University ITMO ranks among the top universities according to the World Finals performance and the coach of University ITMO teams Andrew Stankevich (Computer Technology Department graduate, Silver and Gold Medals in World Finals 2000 and 2001) has become the most successful coach in the world for the last decade. The President of Russian Federation, Vladimir Putin held the first meeting with the team of the University ITMO, the World Champion, in May 2004. Then a meeting was held by Dmitry Medvedev, the first Vice-Premier of Russian Government, in June 2007 and in May 2009 when he was the President of Russian Federation. In May 2012 the ceremonial celebration of the team took place at the General Meeting of Rus-
sian Academy of Sciences where the President of Russian Federation Vladimir Putin made a speech. In his speech he congratulated the members of the team on the victory:

“...today at our event there are members of the University ITMO team who won the World Finals. So we win not only in hockey, but even in such spheres as Computer Science. I congratulate them heartily on this achievement.”

Besides the Northeast European Regional ACM Programming Contest, professors, undergraduate and post-graduate students organize and carry out Russian Olympiads in Informatics and Programming for high school and university students, Russian Internet-Olympiads in Informatics for high school students and many other creative contests and olympiads in the above-mentioned spheres. Professors Vladimir Vasilev and Vladimir Parfenov, the associate professors of the Computer Technology Department Roman Elizarov (Computer Technology Department graduate, Russia Champion 1996) and Andrew Stankevich were awarded the Prize of Russian President in the sphere of education in 2003 for foundation and development of system of Russian and International Olympiads in Computer Science and outstanding achievements in these Olympiads. In 2010 Georgiy Korneev and Matvey Kazakov were awarded the Prize of Saint Petersburg Government for development of educational-methodical courses of training highly-qualified programmers. In 2004 Roman Elizarov, Vladimir Parfenov and Andrew
Stankevich were given the ACM ICPC Founder’s Award for organization of Olympiads for programmers in Europe. In 2009 for successful work in organizing the world’s contests for young programmers, Vladimir Vasilev, Roman Elizarov and Vladimir Parfenov were awarded the ACM ICPC DeBlasi Outstanding Contribution Award.

Other achievements of students and graduates are also well known. In 2008 the team of Saint Petersburg students headed by the student of the Computer Technology Department Anatoliy Nikitin won the prize for the best engineering in the world’s most prestigious student technology competition “Imagine Cup,” which was held in Paris.

In November 2008 there was a presentation of the first in the world WiMax-smartphone — brand name “Yota.” Yota’s software was developed by Computer Technology Department graduates, the Russia Champions 2001 and the Gold Medal Winners of the World Finals 2003, Alexandr Shtuchkin and Evgeniy Yuzhakov. In December 2009 in Moscow at the Forum of Winners the President of Russian Federation Dmitry Medvedev presented Grand Prix of the First National Youth Award “Breakthrough” to the developers of WiMax-smartphone Fedor Tsarev (Computer Technology Department graduate,
Russia Champion 2007, World and Europe Champion 2008), Alexandr Shtuchkin and Evgeniy Yuzhakov. In February 2010 the President of Russian Federation awarded the Russian President Science and Innovation Prize for young scientists to Pavel Belov, the graduate of Computer Technology Department.

Many young gifted graduates took up the executive positions in software development companies and have founded more than 30 their own successful IT-companies in Saint Petersburg, where more than a thousand employees work at present.
About the Contest
The ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest (ICPC) traces its roots to a competition held at Texas A&M in 1970 hosted by the Alpha Chapter of the UPE Computer Science Honor Society. The idea quickly gained popularity within the United States and Canada as an innovative initiative to raise the aspirations, performance, and opportunity of the top students in the emerging field of computer science.

The contest evolved into a multi-tier competition with the first Finals held at the ACM Computer Science Conference in 1977. Operating under the auspices of ACM and headquartered at Baylor University since 1989, the contest has expanded into a global network of universities hosting regional competitions that advance teams to the ACM-ICPC World Finals.

Since IBM became sponsor in 1997, ICPC participation has increased by more than 1100%. This year, ICPC participation included 29,479 of the finest students and faculty in computing disciplines from 2,322 universities from 91 countries on six continents.

The contest fosters creativity, teamwork, and innovation in building new software programs, and enables students to test their ability to perform under pressure. Quite simply, it is the oldest, largest, and most prestigious programming contest in the world.

The annual event is comprised of several levels of competition:

- **Local Contests** — Universities choose teams or hold local contests to select one or more teams to represent them at the next level of competition. Selection takes place from a field of over 300,000 students in computing disciplines worldwide.

- **Regional Contests (September to December 2012)** — 29,479 contestants from 2,322 universities in 91 countries on 6 continents competing at over 300 sites have been certified as of December 27, 2012. A total of 35,383 students competed in the ICPC and ICPC assisted contests combined. This is the record participation.

- **World Finals (June 30 — July 4, 2013, St. Petersburg, Russia)** — Hosted by St. Petersburg National Research University ITMO, one hundred and twenty (120) world finalist teams will compete for awards, prizes and bragging rights. These teams represent the best of the great universities on six continents — the cream of the crop.
Battle of the Brains

The contest pits teams of three university students against eight or more complex, real-world problems, with a grueling five-hour deadline. Huddled around a single computer, competitors race against the clock in a battle of logic, strategy and mental endurance.

Teammates collaborate to rank the difficulty of the problems, deduce the requirements, design test beds, and build software systems that solve the problems under the intense scrutiny of expert judges. For a well-versed computer science student, some of the problems require precision only. Others require a knowledge and understanding of advanced algorithms. Still others are simply too hard to solve — except, of course, for the world's brightest problem-solvers.

Judging is relentlessly strict. The students are given a problem statement — not a requirements document. They are given an example of test data, but they do not have access to the judges’ test data and acceptance criteria. Each incorrect solution submitted is assessed a time penalty. You don’t want to waste your customer’s time when you are dealing with the supreme court of computing. The team that solves the most problems in the fewest attempts in the least cumulative time is declared the winner.

To learn more about the ICPC, please visit http://icpc.baylor.edu or http://acmicpc.org. For full coverage of the World Finals including social media, photos, video, live coverage, and live scoreboard, go to ICPCNews, http://icpc.baylor.edu/icpcnews. Visit the ICPC podcast series at http://battleofthebrains.podbean.com for insights from past contestants and current IBM executives.

World Finals 2013 hosted by the Saint Petersburg National Research University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics — the final round for the 2012 Regionals

One hundred and twenty teams from regional contests servicing universities worldwide have advanced to the World Finals to be held in St. Petersburg, Russia, June 30 to July 4, 2013. The World Finals is hosted by the St. Petersburg National Research University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics. ITMO has four World Championships, the most by any university in ICPC history, and regularly advances teams to the World Finals. The Prime Minister of the Russian Federation, Dmitry Medvedev, is Honorary Chair of the 2013 ACM ICPC World Finals Patrons. Vladimir Parfenov and Roman Elizarov, founders of the ICPC in the Russian Federation, serve as World Finals Vice-Director and World Finals Director respectively.
### Recent medal winners in order of finish are:

**2012**
1. St. Petersburg National Research University ITMO (Russia)
2. University of Warsaw (Poland)
3. Moscow Institute of Physics & Technology (Russia)
4. Shanghai Jiao Tong University (China)

**2011**
1. Zhejiang University (China)
2. University of Michigan at Ann Arbor (USA)
3. Tsinghua University (China)
4. St. Petersburg State University (Russia)

**2010**
1. Shanghai Jiao Tong University (China)
2. Moscow State University (Russia)
3. National Taiwan University (Taiwan)
4. Taras Shevchenko Kiev National University (Ukraine)

**2009**
1. St. Petersburg National Research University ITMO (Russia)
2. Tsinghua University (China)
3. St. Petersburg State University (Russia)
4. Saratov State University (Russia)

**2008**
1. St. Petersburg National Research University ITMO (Russia)
2. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (USA)
3. Izhevsk State Technical University (Russia)
4. Lviv National University (Ukraine)

**2007**
1. University of Warsaw (Poland)
2. Tsinghua University (China)
3. St. Petersburg National Research University ITMO (Russia)
4. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (USA)

**2006**
1. Saratov State University (Russia)
2. Jagiellonian University (Poland)
3. Altai State Technical University (Russia)
4. University of Twente (The Netherlands)

**2005**
1. Shanghai Jiao Tong University (China)
2. Moscow State University (Russia)
3. St. Petersburg National Research University ITMO (Russia)
4. University of Waterloo (Canada)

**2004**
1. St. Petersburg National Research University ITMO (Russia)
2. KTH — Royal Institute of Technology (Sweden)
3. Belarusian State University (Belarus)
4. Perm State University (Russia)
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IBM’s Commitment
IBM’s sponsorship commitment to the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest is part of a company-wide effort to advance the next generation of technology leaders and problem solvers who have combined skills of computing science and business management. For more information, visit http://www.ibm.com/university/acmcontest/

The University ITMO Commitment
St. Petersburg National Research University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics (ITMO) has a historical commitment to excellence in problem solving. Having championed the ICPC throughout the Russian Federation and surrounding countries, ITMO is among the most be-medaled university in the world with the most World Championships of any university in the world, four. As one of only a handful of National Research Universities, ITMO empowers the next generation of innovators. For more information, visit http://en.ifmo.ru.

Baylor University’s Commitment
Baylor University has been the home of the ICPC since the late 1980s, where it has been managed under the direction of Executive Director and Professor, Dr. William B. Poucher with global enterprise technology development headed by Dr. Jeff Donahoo, Deputy Executive Director. The ICPC contributes to Baylor’s global mission to encourage the next generation to develop and apply their problem-solving talents to the challenges that face the world today and the world to come. Chartered by the Republic of Texas, Baylor is the oldest institution of higher learning in the State of Texas. You may find more about Baylor at http://www.baylor.edu/.

Upsilon Pi Epsilon’s Commitment
The Upsilon Pi Epsilon International Computer Science Honor Society recognizes the best students of computer science and engineering in the world. Since its earliest participation, the UPE has provided support and scholarships to the World Finals teams. The UPE boasts the longest continuous relationship to the ICPC, dating back to 1970 with the first event held at Texas A&M by members of the Alpha Chapter of the UPE. For more information about other UPE activities, its chapters, and its membership click on: http://www.acm.org/upe.
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Mission

The ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest (ICPC) provides college students with opportunities to interact with students from other universities and to sharpen and demonstrate their problem-solving, programming, and teamwork skills. The contest provides a platform for ACM, industry, and academia to encourage and focus public attention on the next generation of computing professionals as they pursue excellence.

(from the ICPC Policies and Procedures)
Introduction

The contest is a two-tiered competition among teams of students representing institutions of higher education. Teams first compete in Regional Contests, held around the world from September to December each year. The winning team from each Regional Contest advances to the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest World Finals that is typically held in March or April. Additional high-ranking teams may be invited to the World Finals as Wild Card teams. These rules are subject to change.

Organization

The ICPC is organized according to the ICPC Policies and Procedures. The Executive Committee, chaired by the Executive Director, sets the policy and general rules for the conduct of the contest. The Executive Director is solely responsible for interpreting the rules and for ruling on unforeseen situations.

World Finals Site and Dates

The 2013 World Finals will be held in St. Petersburg, Russia. A tentative schedule of events will be posted with updates as necessary.

Team Requirements

Teams qualify to advance to the World Finals through Regional Contests. Only one team from a given institution may advance to the World Finals. Contestants and registered student team members will be provided free one-year memberships in ACM. No team member on the qualifying team may have competed as a contestant in two previous World Finals.

The coach of a qualifying team is the point-of-contact prior to and during World Finals activities. The coach must complete certification at the Team Certification Web Site within five (5) business days of notification. Qualifying teams will be issued an invitation...around the world (except Antarctic Continent)...contest for vacuuming top talent of the world...
by email and postal mail (if requested) soon after completing certification.

Qualifying teams requiring visas must initiate the process of applying for visas within 10 business days of being issued an invitation. Teams failing to comply with any of these requirements will be ruled ineligible to compete in the World Finals. Upon completion of these requirements, a qualifying team will be advanced to the World Finals.

A team advancing to the World Finals will be comprised of the same three members as when it qualified. (Reserves are not allowed at the Finals.) In the event that a team member is unwilling, unable or unfit to compete in the World Finals, the coach must notify the manager in a timely manner. A team member who is unwilling or unfit to compete in the World Finals will be disqualified from further ICPC competitions. The team member may appeal disqualification to the Appeals Committee.

At on-site registration, participants must provide picture ID (passport, driver’s license, etc.) Contestants must show proof of enrollment at the university during the term of the regional contest at which they qualified. A letter on university letterhead with the signature of a university official accompanied by an English translation is sufficient.

**Attendance**

Finalists must attend all required events from On-Site Registration to Celebration as indicated in the Schedule of Events. Failure to attend any required event will result in disqualification and forfeiture of scholarships and prizes. Coaches must be accessible during On-Site Registration, Dress Rehearsal, the World Finals, and the Closing Ceremony.

**Support and Prizes**

Each finalist team will be provided with hotel accommodations for the coach and three contestants for four nights, arriving three days before the World Finals and departing the day after. The hotel accommodations will provide gender privacy. The teams and coaches will be treated to a full schedule of activities including a full course of complimentary food functions.
Transportation to the World Finals is the responsibility of the finalists. The ICPC encourages teams to raise funds for transportation and extracurricular activities from local sources to better strengthen community ties among academia, industry, and government.

Teams finishing in the top four positions will be awarded Gold Medals. Those teams finishing fifth through eighth place will be awarded Silver Medals. Those teams finishing ninth through twelfth place will receive Bronze Medals. Additional Bronze Medals may be awarded.

The highest scoring team is the World Champion and will receive the World Champion Cup and plaques. The other top twelve teams, the North American Champions, the Latin American Champions, the European Champions, the South Pacific Champions, the Asian Champions, and the Africa & Middle East Champions will also receive plaques.

The World Champion team will be awarded $12,000. Each of the other three Gold Medal teams will be awarded $6,000. Each Silver Medal team will be awarded $3,000. Each Bronze Medal team will be awarded $1,500.

Courtesy of the UPE Computer Science Honor Society, First Solution Award will be $1500 and First to Solve Problem “X” will be $1050 (for all but first problem solved).

**Conduct of the Finals**

Eight or more problems have been posed in recent World Finals. Problems will be posed in English. During the contest, all communications from contest officials to contestants will be in English. Each team may identify an interpreter for translating questions posed by contestants to contest officials. Contestants may bring electronic natural language translators provided that they do not support math operations.

Solutions to problems submitted for judging are called runs. Each run is judged as accepted or rejected, and the team is notified of the results. Rejected runs will be marked as follows:

- run-time error
- time-limit exceeded
- wrong answer
Notification of accepted runs may be suspended at the appropriate time to keep the final results secret. A general announcement to that effect will be made during the contest. Notification of rejected runs will continue until the end of the contest.

A contestant may submit a claim of ambiguity or error in a problem statement by submitting a clarification request. If the Judges agree that an ambiguity or error exists, a clarification will be issued to all contestants.

While the contest is scheduled to last five hours, the Finals Director has the authority to lengthen the contest in the event of unforeseen difficulties. Should the Contest duration be altered, every attempt will be made to notify contestants in a timely and uniform manner.

**Scoring of the Finals**

The World Finals Judges are solely responsible for determining the correctness of submitted runs. In consultation with the World Finals Judges, the Director of Judging is responsible for determining the winners of the World Finals. They are empowered to adjust for or adjudicate unforeseen events and conditions. Their decisions are final.

Teams are ranked according to the most problems solved. Teams placing in the first twelve places who solve the same number of problems are ranked first by least total time and, if need be, by the earliest time of submittal of the last accepted run.

The total time is the sum of the time consumed for each problem solved. The time consumed for a solved problem is the time elapsed from the beginning of the contest to the submittal of the first accepted run plus 20 penalty minutes for every previously rejected run for that problem. There is no time consumed for a problem that is not solved.

**Computing Environment**

The World Finals programming language tools include Java and C/C++. See the Programming Environment Web Site for detailed configuration information. Prior to the World Finals, the judges will have solved all problems in Java and C/C++.

Each team will be provided with a single computer and a calculator. All teams will have equivalent computing equipment.

Contestants may not bring any printed materials or machine-readable versions of software or data to the Contest Area. Contestants may not bring their own computers, computer terminals, calculators, or other electronic devices to the Contest Area.

Each team member may bring an unannotated natural language printed dictionary. On-line reference materials will be made available as described in the Reference Materials section of the Programming Environment Web Site. Each team will be permit-
ted three copies of the Team Reference Document described in the On-Site Registration Instructions.

**Contestant Conduct**

DO NOT TOUCH ANYTHING at the team workstations until so directed by the Finals Director. Contestants are not to converse with anyone except members of their team and personnel designated by the Finals Director. Systems support staff may advise contestants on system-related problems such as explaining system error messages. A team may be disqualified by the Finals Director for any activity that jeopardizes the World Finals such as dislodging extension cords, unauthorized modification of contest materials, or distracting behavior.
World Finals
Judges
Per Austrin, KTH Royal Institute of Technology, World Finals judge since 2008

“My first contact with programming contests was in 2002 when I participated in the Nordic Championship and the Northwestern Europe Regional Contest. In 2004 and 2005 I participated in the ICPC World Finals as a contestant. Since then, I have served many times as judge and head judge in the Nordic Championships and the Northwestern Europe Regionals. I was a general hang-around at the Finals until I became a Finals judge in 2008.”

Osman Ay, Computer Science Editor, Surat Publishing & Lecturer, Marmara University World Finals judge since 2002

“My ACM-ICPC adventure started with a forwarded email message, ‘Contest Finals Call for Problems,’ from Dick Rinewalt. I sent candidate problems and was very surprised and pleased to learn that one of my problems qualified for the 2002 Finals. I have attended as a judge every year since then except 2009. I can say that being a member of this organization has become a delightful part of my life and I am very happy and honored with this membership.”

Babak Behsaz, University of Alberta World Finals judge since 2013

“Since I was in high school, I have been competing in programming contests among which I enjoyed the ICPC contests the most. I participated in the ICPC World Finals as a contestant in 2004 and as a coach in 2005 and 2007. In addition, I have been involved with problem setting for various programming contests. Last year, I sent a few problems and was very happy to learn that one of my problems was selected for the Finals this year.”
John Bonomo, Westminster College
World Finals Chief Judge since 2010
World Finals judge since 2002

“Actually, my first exposure to the contest was when I was in grad school at Purdue. The university was hosting the East Central Regional Contest that year and I was asked to create a problem set to be used to select Purdue’s team for the competition. Since then, I have served as a judge for the East Central Regional Contest and have had problems accepted in the East Central and North Central Regional Contests.”

Don Chamberlin, Retired IBM Fellow, UC Santa Cruz
World Finals judge since 1998

"I became interested in the ICPC when the Finals were held in my home town (San Jose, CA, 1997). Being an ICPC judge is a year-round activity. It involves making up problems, solutions, and test suites, and cross-checking them with the other judges. It’s my favorite hobby."

Walter Guttmann, University of Canterbury
World Finals judge since 2011

“I have been a contestant/organizer/co-organizer of local contests 1997-2009, a reserve/contestant/coach/judge/head judge in regionals 1997-2009, and a supporter/reserve/contestant/coach in Finals 1998-2004.”
**Martin Kacer**, Czech Technical University  
World Finals judge since 2006

“As a former contestant, I participated in regionals in 1996-1999. Then I was an assistant RCD and chief judge for Central Europe, university coach, World Finals volunteer, and World Finals judge. I became more closely involved since 2003 due to the 2004 World Finals being held in Prague (World Finals Associate Director) and 2005 in Shanghai (Director of Operations).”

**Derek Kisman**, Google  
World Finals judge since 2004

“I’ve been competing in intellectual contests of all sorts since I was young. I participated for two years as a contestant: 1996/1997 (San Jose, 5th place) and 1997/1998 (Atlanta, 3rd place). When I had the lucky opportunity to get involved behind the scenes with the World Finals, I took it eagerly!”

**Peter Kluit**, Retired, Delft University of Technology  
World Finals judge since 1999

“As of 1992, I judged local (Delft and Dutch National) contests. These contests were not part of ACM-ICPC then, but were selection rounds for the regionals. In 1996 (and later, several times) I judged the North Western European Regional Contest. Tom Verhoef got me involved in my first Finals in Eindhoven in 1999. I knew Tom from judging the International Olympiad in Informatics in Eindhoven (1995).”
Shahriar Manzoor, Southeast University
World Finals judge since 2003

"I am a regular problem setter at UVa Online Judge since 2000, creating around 290 problems for different ACM-ICPC like contests. I have set problems for regional/national contests of Bangladesh, China, Thailand and Malaysia since 2001. Dr. Kaykobad (coach of BUET teams) told me how to submit problems for the World Finals in mid 2002. I submitted some problems and became a Finals Judge in 2003."

Jo Perry, NC State University
Director of Judging since 2010
World Finals judge since 1987

"A colleague asked me to submit problems to the 1987 Finals. I did, they were accepted, and I’ve been working as a Finals Judge ever since. The judges who work with me are fearfully smart, creative, and productive. Plus, they’re wonderfully good-hearted. I consider myself extremely fortunate to be in such fine company."

Dick Rinewalt, Texas Christian University
World Finals judge since 1982
Director of Judging (many years)

"I had been the chief judge for the South Central Regional Contest for a couple of years. I went to the Computer Science Conference in 1981 (I think it was 1981) and was drafted to do some clerical work for the Finals. I submitted problems and became a World Finals judge the next year and later served as Director of Judging for many years."

In 2010 Dick retired as Director of Judging, but continues working with the World Finals judges.
Matthias Ruhl, Google
World Finals judge since 1997
2012 ICPC World Finals Judge Award recipient

“I had participated in many programming contests after high school and in college, so when I saw an announcement for the 1994-95 regional contest in Zurich, I gave it a try. After being a contestant, I continued as a judge, since it’s as much fun, but with much less stress. :)

Stan Wileman, University of Nebraska — Omaha
World Finals judge since 1979

“My first involvement with the contest was as a contestant, I was part of the team that won an early variant of the national/inter-national contest at Texas A&M University. I don’t remember the exact year, but it was before I got my MS, so it was in or before 1972. I recall that the prize for winning was $100 cash! After joining the faculty at UNO in 1976, I coached the UNO teams (I remember packing numerous kids in a state of NE station wagon). I also served as co-director of the regional contest.

My first involvement with the Finals was through John Metzner. He indicated to me that there was a plan to bring on new Finals judges, first as “apprentice” judges, so their prowess could be assessed. He asked me if I would be interested. I believe he did this when he was also serving as director of the regional contest, when it was held at the John Deere headquarters in Moline, IL. I don’t remember exactly the first contest in which I participated as a judge, but I do recall the contest in Dayton (in 1979), because my baggage was lost.”

Jakub Onufry Wojtaszczyk, Google, Poland
World Finals judge since 2011

"I realized I enjoy and have a good hand for preparing problems after preparing problems for the Polish Informatics Olympiad. I prepared and submitted a few for the 2011 World Finals and was pleased when one was selected, and pleased to be back this year."
Africa and the Middle East

German University in Cairo
met.guc.edu.eg
Name: Die Eliten
Ahmed Abd Rabo, Mostafa Ali, Mostafa Fahim, coach: Omar ElAzazy

University of Cape Town
www.uct.ac.za
Name: InsaneCodersPesteringComputers
Graham Manuell, Jacobus Petrus Van der Merwe, Gwylim Aidan Ashley, coach: Bruce Merry

The American University in Cairo
www.cs.aucegypt.edu
Name: MMAW
Hossam Samy, Mohamed Abogindia, Islam El Tayar, coach: Mohamed Abd El-Wahab

Tishreen University
www.tishreen.edu.sy
Name: Oracle Machine
Zein Shaheen, Doried Abd-Allah, Mohammad Asad, coach: Shadi Saleh

Alexandria University — Faculty of Engineering
www.alexeng.edu.eg
Name: PhunIsPhun
Mahmoud Fayyaz, Ahmad Mamdouh, Ahmed Salama, coach: Ahmed Abdelrazek

Arab Academy for Science and Technology (Alexandria)
www.aast.edu
Name: SinkInsideTheBox
Ahmed Salem, Ahmed Kamel, Amr Mesbah, coach: Ahmed El sayed

The Chinese University of Hong Kong
www.cse.cuhk.edu.hk
Name: AcCelebration
Pak Hay Chan, Dawei Huang, Chak Fai Yuen, coach: Lap Chi Lau

Tsinghua University
www.tsinghua.edu.cn
Name: Again And Again
Jioming Mao, Yi Wu, Tao Mo, coach: Xiaojun Wu

Asia

University of Tehran
www.fos.ut.ac.ir
Name: )%R)VR?:
Azin Asgarian, Seyed Ali Elahi, Mohammad reza Sabouri Karkhaneh, coach: Mohammad Ganjtabesh

National Taiwan University
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Zhejiang University
acm.zju.edu.cn
Name: ArcadiaConvent
Weijie Chen, Yuchen Zhou, Cong Chen, coach: Can Wang

Can Tho University
www.ctu.edu.vn
Name: CTU.Optimists
Phan Viet Lam, Thanh Tu Tran, Do Luong Van, coach: Cao Hong Ngoc Nguyen

Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology
www.buet.ac.bd
Name: Choker
Prasanjit Barua, Mohammad Hafiz Uddin, Muhammad Nazmul Hasan, coach: Mohammad Kaykobad

Amirkabir University of Technology
www.aut.ac.ir
Name: Deadly Army of AUT
Reza Hosseini Ashtiani, Ali Fiujnomali, Mehdi Kazemi, coach: Pouria Alimirzaei

Institut Teknologi Bandung
www.itb.ac.id
Name: Dongskar Pedongi
Ahmad Zaky, Christiano Handojo, Irvan Jahja, coach: Fazat Nur Azizah

SungKyunKwan University
www.skku.ac.kr
Name: DrunkenCoders
Jun-Hee Han, Gyeong-Geun Kim, Yeonsu Park, coach: Euiseong Seo

Harbin Institute of Technology
www.hit.edu.cn
Name: Encore
Lixin Fan, Jianliu Hu, Qiankun Zhu, coach: Dalie Sun

Huazhong University of Science & Technology
www.hust.edu.cn
Name: ErBao
Yang Xiao, Jian He, Shunmin Li, coach: Shi Yin

National University of Singapore
www.nus.edu.sg
Name: Eternia
Trinh Tuan Phuong, Nguyen Tan Sy Nguyen, Harta Wijaya, coach: Sun-Teck Tan

Ningbo Institute of Technology, ZJU
www.nit.net.cn
Name: FBH
Lu Shao, HuiDong Zhang, Xiangwei Li, coach: Minglun Cai

Indian Institute of Technology — Bombay
www.iitb.ac.in
Name: Fringe

University of Hong Kong
www.cs.hku.hk
Name: GMT
Tsun Au Yeung, Man Lok Wong, Ka Chung Wong, coach: Luyi Mo
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
www.ust.hk
Name: HKUST_Optimus Prime
Junhong Cao, Xiongqi Zhang, Ming Fung Philip Tai, coach: Yin Zhu

Beijing Institute of Technology
www.bit.edu.cn
Name: Keshik
Zhengying Chen, Xingchen Liu, Yaobo Liang, coach: Yonggang Lin

Renmin University of China
www.ruc.edu.cn
Name: KingBase_CJ
Tang Di, Ouyang Dian, Liu Jun, coach: Qing Zhu

Fudan University
www.fudan.edu.cn
Name: LeGenD.N
Kailun Chen, Liaoliang Ye, Zhan Yu, coach: Weiwei Sun

Shanghai Jiao Tong University
www.sjtu.edu.cn
Name: Mithril
Bin Jin, Xiaoxu Guo, Jingbo Shang, coach: Yong Yu

Northeast Normal University
www.nenu.edu.cn
Name: Moonlight
Xueliang Ren, Xiaozhou Zhao, Zhixian Yang, coach: Minghao Yin

Nanyang Technological University
www.ntu.edu.sg
Name: NTU The Lyons
Arief Setiawan, Frederikus Hudi, Ivan Wangsaciptalingga, coach: Peng-Chor Leong

Shahjalal University of Science and Technology
www.sust.edu
Name: PALINDROME

KAIST
www.kaist.ac.kr
Name: Pandaria
Joonsung Lee, Hankook Lee, Min Kyu Kim, coach: Sung Yong Shin

Indian Institute of Technology — Indore
www.iiti.ac.in
Name: Paradigm Shift
Sanjeev Shenoy, Piyush Lahoti, Archit Karandikar, coach: Abhishek Srivastava

Peking University
www.pku.edu.cn
Name: Ragnarok
Chao Li, Zhengkai Wu, Huangxuan Liang, coach: Guojie Luo

Zhongshan (Sun Yat-sen) University
www.sysu.edu.cn
Name: SYSU_BlackBlade
Ruiyang Tan, Zequn Lin, Junde Huang, coach: SongShan Guo
Sharif University of Technology
www.sharif.edu
Name: Saboon
Hamed Saleh Mohammadabad, Alireza Farhadi, Saeed Ilchi Ghazaan, coach: Kamran Bavar

Tianjin University
www.tju.edu.cn
Name: TJU_ToT
Yuchen Cai, Haosheng Shan, Minjie Zhang, coach: Ruiguo Yu

Indian Institute of Technology — Roorkee
www.iitr.ernet.in
Name: The 65th bit
Dipit Grover, Tarun Goyal, Sharat Ibrahimpur, coach: Balasubramanian Raman

University of Electronic Science and Technology of China
www.uestc.edu.cn
Name: UESTC-Campanella
Tian Lin, Nanjun Xiong, Yuehang Chen, coach: Xiaoping Wang

The University of Electro-Communications
www.uec.ac.jp
Name: Ultimate & Escapist Coders
Masafumi Yabu, Izuru Matsuura, Naoto Osaka, coach: Tomoharu Ugawa

The University of Tokyo
www.u-tokyo.ac.jp
Name: University of Agitsune
Kensuke Imanishi, Makoto Soejima, Kazuhiro Hosaka, coach: Tomoyuki Kaneko

South China University of Technology
www.scut.edu.cn
Name: Yamiedie
Fangying Chen, Chunwei Zheng, Feng Lin, coach: Jie Zhou

Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications
www.bupt.edu.cn
Name: dango
Xue Li, Yiyong Lin, Ke Yang, coach: Ming Fang

International Institute of Information Technology — Hyderabad
www.iiit.ac.in
Name: effort_infinie
Paresh Verma, Kaushik Iska, Kaushik MV, coach: Vikram Pudi

Tokyo Institute of Technology
www.titech.ac.jp
Name: haskell-lover
Osamu Koga, Kohei Suzuki, Masaya Suzuki, coach: Takahiro Arai

Beihang University
ev.buaa.edu.cn
Name: plum*_buaa
Qingwen Guan, Yishuai Ni, Boyang Yang, coach: You Song

Chennai Mathematical Institute
www.cmi.ac.in
Name: psudo
Anudhyan Boral, Siddharth Krishna, Arjun Arul, coach: Narayan Kumar Krishnan
Europe and Russian Federation

Altai State Technical University
www.altstu.ru
Name: Altai STU
Dmitrii Silin, Sergey Esipenko, Dmitry Uvarov, coach: Elena Kryuchkova

Taras Shevchenko Kiev National University
www.univ.kiev.ua
Name: BZFlags
Roman Iedemskyi, Iaraslav Tverdokhlib, Andrii Maksai, coach: Vitalii Bondarenko

Belarusian State University
www.bsu.by
Name: Belarusian SU 1
Raman Udavichenka, Andrey Malevich, Sergei Zhgirovski, coach: Vladimir Kotov

Izhevsk State Technical University
inter.istu.ru
Name: CynepMyTaHTbl
Ruslan Gatin, Nikita Burlakov, Boris Smirnov, coach: Victor Kamashev

Comenius University
www.uniba.sk
Name: Docikáme ďalej
Tomáš Belan, Vladimír Boža, Peter Fulla, coach: Michal Forišek

Universiteit Leiden
www.leidenuniv.nl
Name: Geen Syntax
Mathijs van de Nes, Josse van Dobben de Bruyn, Bas Nieuwenhuizen, coach: Martijn van Velzen

International IT University
www.iitu.kz
Name: IITU 1
Pavel Kovalenko, Mansur Kutybaev, Alexander Bolshakov, coach: Danabek Kaliazhdarov

Jagiellonian University in Krakow
www.uj.edu.pl
Name: Jagiellonian
Grzegorz Guśpiel, Jonasz Pamuła, Jakub Adamek, coach: Pawel Idziak

Kaunas University of Technology
www.ktu.lt
Name: KTU
Vincentas Mulevičius, Evaldas Čiakas, Karolis Kusas, coach: Tomas Neverdauskas

Kazakh-British Technical University
www.kbtu.kz
Name: Kazakh-British TU 1
Azizkhan Almakhan, Kanat Satylkhanov, Madiyar Aitbayev, coach: Damir Yelussizov
Moscow Aviation Institute  
www.mai.ru  
Name: MAI #1  
Andrey Zhuravlev, Stepan Belousov, Alexey Safronov, coach: Nikita Makarov

Moscow Institute of Physics & Technology  
www.mipt.ru  
Name: MIPT Lambda  
Yury Gorshenin, Maxim Pimenov, Kinan Alsarmini, coach: Evgeny Barskiy

Moscow State Institute of Steel and Alloys  
www.misis.ru  
Name: MISIS-1  
Konstantin Bulatov, Valentine Kofman, Darya Krohina, coach: Igor Faradjev

Moscow State University  
www.msu.ru  
Name: Moscow SU ST  
Sergey Fedorov, Sergey Rogulenko, Aleksandr Kaluzhin, coach: Anton Pankratiev

Novosibirsk State University  
www.nsu.ru  
Name: Novosibirsk SU  
Svyatoslav Shcherbina, George Beloshapko, Alexander Stenenko, coach: Tatyana Churina

Perm State University  
www.psu.ru  
Name: Perm SU: Meerkats  
Danil Osherov, Andrey Zayakin, Evgeniy Akimov, coach: Yuriy Aydarov

Saint-Petersburg National Research University of Information Technologies, Mechanics and Optics  
www.ifmo.ru  
Name: SPb NRU ITMO 1  
Mikhail Kever, Niyaz Nigmatullin, Gennady Korotkevich, coach: Andrey Stankevich

St. Petersburg State University  
www.spbu.ru  
Name: SPb SU 4  
Egor Suvorov, Pavel Kunyavskiy, Dmitry Egorov, coach: Andrey Lopatin

Saint Petersburg Academic University — Nanotechnology Research and Education Centre RAS  
www.aptu.ru  
Name: SPbAU 1  
Evgeniy Krasko, Pavel Chadnov, Sergey Lazarev, coach: Vsevolod Oparin

Saratov State University  
www.sgu.ru  
Name: Saratov SU #2  
Igor Kudryashov, Maxim Gusarov, Edvard Davtyan, coach: Michael Mirzayanov

V.N. Karazin Kharkiv National University  
www.univer.kharkiv.ua/en  
Name: SobolevTeam  
Dmytro Soboliev, Ievgen Soboliev, Arseniy Chelnokov, coach: Grygoriy Zholtkevych
Samara State Aerospace University
www.ssau.ru
Name: Teddy Bears
Alexey Dergunov, Nikita Glashenko, Pavel Semushin, coach: Victor Pshenichnikov

Universität Rostock
www.uni-rostock.de
Name: The Deepstackers
Gregor Behnke, Christian Koch, Max Görner, coach: Ragnar Christopher Nevries

University of Wrocław
www.uni.wroc.pl
Name: UWr1
Jakub Tarnawski, Damian Straszak, Anna Piekarska, coach: Krzysztof Lorys

Ural Federal University
www.ustu.ru
Name: Ural FU: Orange
Olga Soboleva, Egor Shchelkonogov, Oleg Dolgorukov, coach: Denis Dublennykh

University of Warsaw
www.uw.edu.pl
Name: Warsaw Eagles 2013
Marcin Andrychowicz, Maciej Klimek, Tomasz Kociumaka, coach: Jan Madey

Ludwig-Maximilians Universität München
www.lmu.de
Name: We don’t have a team name
Fabian Gundlach, Tamás Korodi, Reimar Leike, coach: Hans Jürgen Ohlbach

University of Bucharest
www.unibuc.ro
Name: Unibuc BigDawgs
Mihai Calancea, Adrian Budau, Serban Andrei Stan, coach: Dumitran Adrian Marius

Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya
www.upc.edu
Name: The team can not be described
Félix Miravé, Pol Mauri, Alex Alvarez, coach: Salvador Roura

ETH Zürich
www.ethz.ch
Name: ǝsɐqɐʇɐp ɯɔɐ ǝɥʇ uı ʞɔnʇs ɯ, l
Nikola Djokic, Vladimir Serbinenko, Kieran Nirkko, coach: Robert R. Enderlein
Latin America

Universidade Federal de Pernambuco
www.cin.ufpe.br
Name: 4 Fun 2 Win
Márcio Filho, Pedro Silvestre, Sérgio Filho, coach: Luiz Silva

Universidad Panamericana Campus Bonaterra
www.up.edu.mx
Name: AEI
Eric Raúl Valdivia Lozano, Fernando Ignacio Arreola Gutiérrez, Andrea Santillana Fernández, coach: Óscar Dávalos Orozco

Universidad Nacional del Sur
www.uns.edu.ar
Name: Bahia
Julián Muriel Tejo Rodríguez, Nicolás Sebastián Fochesatto, Nicolás Komañski, coach: Nicolás Alvarez

Universidad de Buenos Aires — FCEN
exactas.uba.ar
Name: Buen Kilo de Pan Flauta
Nicolás Bruno Ponieman, Pablo Blanc, Martin Fixman, coach: Agustin Santiago Gutierrez

Escuela Superior De Computo Instituto Politecnico Nacional
www.escom.ipn.mx
Name: Escoders
Christian Adán Hernández Sánchez, Ethan Adrian Jiménez Vargas, Jair Ramirez Ibarra, coach: Edgardo Adrian Franco Martinez

Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais
dec.ufmg.br
Name: In rand() we trust!
Filipe Arcanjo, Dilson Guimarães, Alexandre Davis, coach: Henrique Pinto

Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería — FIIS
www.uni.edu.pe/sitio/academico/facultades/industrial
Name: Los Desempleados FIIS
Eder Maicol Gomez Zegarra, Mario Ynocente Castro, Jonathan Durand Espinoza, coach: Roy David Palacios Rezza

Universidad de Chile
www.dcc.uchile.cl
Name: Los Ángeles de Jorge
Christian von Borries, Nicolás Sanhueza, Sebastián Barbieri, coach: Jorge Perez

Universidade Estadual de Campinas
www.ic.unicamp.br
Name: Os Cartolas
Douglas Oliveira Santos, Thiago Cavalcante, Marcelo Galvão Póvoa, coach: Murilo Adriano Vasconcelos

Universidade de São Paulo — Instituto de Ciências Matemáticas e de Computação
www.icmc.usp.br
Name: Señora Margarida
Carlos Eduardo Guillén Dávila, Bruno Junqueira Adami, Vinicius de Freitas Reis, coach: Lucas Cavalcante
Universidad de las Ciencias Informáticas
www.uci.cu
Name: UCI2ndTWF
Jorge Fuentes Rodríguez, José Carlos González Fernández, Yaniel Alfredo Velázquez Bruceta, coach: Vladimir Antonio Charchabal Escalona

Universidad de La Habana
www.uh.cu
Name: UH++
Daniel Otero Baguer, Ramón Alejandro Reyes Fajardo, Leandro Castillo Valdés, coach: Alfredo Somoza Moreno

Universidad Nacional de Colombia — Bogotá
www.unal.edu.co
Name: UN-07
Christian Mauricio Zuluaga Mora, Diego Ivan Caballero Rodríguez, Juan Sebastian Valbuena Bermúdez, coach: Rafael Alberto Niquefa Velásquez

Universidad Tecnológica de Pereira
www.uto.edu.co
Name: UTP - 01
Santiago Gutierrez Alzate, Diego Alejandro Agudelo España, Sebastian Gomez, coach: Hugo Humberto Morales Peña

EAFIT University
www.eafit.edu.co
Name: Ultimátum
Andrés Mejía-Posada, Santiago Palacio Gomez, Ana Echavarria Uribe, coach: Juan Francisco Cardona Mc'Cormick

Universidade de São Paulo — Escola Politécnica
www.poli.usp.br
Name: Vruum
Guilherme Philippe Figueredo, André Amaral de Sousa, Marcelo Sales, coach: Marcelo Sales

Instituto Tecnológico de Aeronáutica
www.ita.br
Name: jQuery bool, jQuery char!
Gabriel Dalalio, Felipe Freitas, Fernando Fonseca, coach: Armando Gouveia

North America

University of Manitoba
www.umanitoba.ca
Name: Bisons with Byte
Alex Sachs, Aman Sachar, Josh Jung, coach: Michael Domaratzki

Carnegie Mellon University
www.cmu.edu
Name: CMU1
Jonathan Paulson, Nathaniel Barshay, Yan Gu, coach: Danny Sleator
University of Calgary
www.ucalgary.ca
Name: Calgary Phoenix
Toryn Klassen, Kent Williams-King, Hichem Zakaria Aichour, coach: Peter Hoyer

Columbia University
www.columbia.edu
Name: Columbia 1
Xinhao Yuan, Long Chen, Gang Hu, coach: Xiaorui Sun

University of Florida
www.ufl.edu
Name: Cookies n’ Cream
Cheran Wu, Alex Anderson, Joseph Thuemler, coach: Dave Small

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
www.rose-hulman.edu
Name: Fighting Engineers
Alexander Memering, Erik Sanders, Anthony Piergiovanni, coach: Shawn Bohner

South Dakota School of Mines and Technology
www.sdsmt.edu
Name: Hardrockers
Dean Laganiere, Colton Manville, Trevor Mahoney, coach: Antonette Logar

University of Connecticut
www.uconn.edu
Name: Huskies
Kevin Johnson, Grigory Bonik, Gabriel Ilie, coach: Ion Mandoiu

University of Minnesota — Twin Cities
www.umn.edu
Name: Inazuma 0b11
Lihua Zhang, Yuan Li, Jonathan Hsiao, coach: Carl Sturtivant

Massachusetts Institute of Technology
web.mit.edu
Name: MIT 151s
Ilya Razenshtein, Sepideh Mahabadi, Rati Gelashvili, coach: Aleksandar Zlateski

University of Virginia
acm.cs.virginia.edu
Name: NoSuchMethodExceptions
Derek Morris, Neal Milstein, Carson Wang, coach: Aaron Bloomfield

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
www.illinois.edu
Name: PLATO
Rohan Sharma, Yezhan Suleimenov, Joon Young Seo, coach: Marsha Woodbury

University of Lethbridge
www.uleth.ca
Name: Pronghorns
Christopher Martin, Hugh Ramp, Darcy Best, coach: Howard Cheng

LeTourneau University
www.letu.edu
Name: Quifobes
Daniel Rothfus, Micah Shennum, Terry Penner, coach: Brent Baas
South Pacific

University of Sydney
www.usyd.edu.au
Name: Brogrammers
Bin Zhou, Giles Gardam, Egor Karpenkov, coach: Vincent Gramoli

University of New South Wales
www.cse.unsw.edu.au
Name: The Four Milkmen
Casey Roberts, Raveen de Silva, Steven Fan, coach: Tim Lambert
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The 2013 Mark Measures Distinguished Service Award

Presented to

Vladimir Parfenov
St. Petersburg National Research University ITMO

for outstanding service to the ICPC as Founder and Director of the Northeastern Europe Contests from 1996 to present and as 2013 World Finals Vice-Director.

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Presented to

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Vladimir Parfenov
Roman Elizarov
Matvey Kazakov
Andrey Stankevich

for founding and directing NEERC, coaching ITMO teams, preparing the next generation of ITMO contestants, and organizing the 2013 World Finals.

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Presented to

\textbf{St. Petersburg National Research University ITMO}

in honor of the university’s accomplishments by her teams,
for hosting local, national and regional contests,
and culminating as

\textbf{University Host}

of the

\textbf{2013 ACM-ICPC World Finals.}

The UPE Distinguished International Service Award
is presented annually to an institution that has played
an instrumental role in the success of international educational programs for ten or more years.

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for outstanding service to the ICPC as World Finals Judge

from 2004 to present.

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1 July 2013

St. Petersburg, Russia
Senior Coach Award

Presented to

Mohammad Kaykobad

15 years or more bringing teams to the Finals

Bangladesh University
of Engineering and Technology

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St. Petersburg, Russia
Coach Award
5 years or more bringing teams to the Finals

Antonette Logar and Ed Corwin
South Dakota School of Mines and Technology

David Van Brackle
Georgia Institute of Technology
University of Central Florida

Borja Sotomayor
University of Chicago

Elena Kryuchkova
Altai State Technical University

Tomoyuki Kaneko
The University of Tokyo

Alexander Fridlyand
Ufa State Aviation Technical University

Vitalii Bondarenko
Taras Shevchenko Kiev National University
### Saturday June 29th

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| 06:30–07:30 | Breakfast  
Courtesy of ITMO                                      | Your Hotel        | All with badges                  |
| 07:30–08:15 | Transportation to Dress Rehearsal  
Last bus leaves at 8:15                                   | Manége            | All with badges                  |
| 08:45–09:30 | Spectators enter Spectator Gallery                           |                   |                                  |
| 09:00–09:30 | * Contestants enter Contest Area                             |                   | Teams and On-Site Coaches        |
| 09:30–12:00 | 2013 ACM-ICPC World Finals Dress Rehearsal  
Teams must leave notebooks at their workstations at the conclusion of Dress Rehearsal  
Teams wear ICPC t-shirts  
No food, drinks or electronic devices | Jubilee — Main Arena | All with badges                  |
| 10:30–12:00 | On-Site Coaches may join the teams in the Team Area  
Coaches may bring cameras onto the contest floor during the Dress Rehearsal |                   | On-Site Coaches                  |
| 12:00–13:30 | * ICPC Challenge Lunch  
Courtesy of ITMO                                              | Jubilee — Small Arena | All with badges                  |
| 13:00–14:00 | * Answer to Dress Rehearsal Questions                       | Jubilee — Main Arena | Team++                           |
| 14:00–15:00 | Coaches Executive Meeting  
With Dr. Bill Poucher, ACM-ICPC Executive Director and Dr. Jo Perry, Director of Judging | Jubilee           | Coaches++                        |
| 14:00–15:00 | Open Practice Session                                       | Jubilee — Main Arena | Team++                           |
| 15:00–15:30 | Transportation to Excursion                                  | Jubilee           |                                  |
| 15:00–18:00 | Excursion — Peter & Paul Fortress  
Courtesy of ITMO                                              | Peter & Paul Fortress | All with badges                  |
| 18:00–19:00 | Transportation to Manége                                     |                   |                                  |
| 18:30–20:00 | * UPE Dinner  
Courtesy of IBM                                           | Manége            |                                  |
| 20:00–22:00 | CLI Symposium  
Angleterre — Conference Hall                            |                   | Public                           |
| 20:00–23:00 | IBM Chill Zone                                               | Manége            | All with badges                  |
## Wednesday July 3rd

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| 06:30–07:30 | Breakfast  
Courtesy of ITMO                                                          | Your Hotel                        | All with badges          |
| 07:30–08:15 | Transportation to World Finals  
Last bus leaves at 8:15                                                        | Manége                            |                          |
| 08:15–09:30 | Spectators enter Spectator Gallery                                            | Jubilee — Main Arena              | Public                   |
| 09:00–09:30 | *Contestants enter Contest Area                                              | Jubilee — Small Arena             | Teams                    |
| 09:15–17:30 | Watch the ICPCLive Broadcast  
Coverage by Yandex                                                               | Jubilee — Small Arena             | All with badges          |
| 09:30–15:00 | **2013 ACM-ICPC World Finals**  
Teams wear ICPC t-shirts.  
Notebooks at team workstations.  
No Electronic Devices allowed on the Contest Floor | Jubilee — Main Arena              | Public                   |
| 12:00–14:00 | Coaches Appreciation Lunch  
Courtesy of ITMO                                                              | Jubilee — Small Arena             | All with badges          |
| 15:00–15:30 | **2013 ACM ICPC World Finals** Highlights  
Coverage by Yandex                                                            | Jubilee                            | Public                   |
| 15:30–17:30 | **2013 ACM-ICPC Closing Ceremony**                                           |                                   |                          |
| 17:00–18:00 | Transportation to Celebration                                                 |                                   |                          |
| 18:00–23:30 | **2013 ACM-ICPC World Finals** Celebration and Dinner  
Hosted by IBM                                                               | TBA                                | All with badges          |
| 22:00–24:00 | Transportation to Hotels                                                      | Celebration                       |                          |

## Thursday July 4th

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Courtesy of ITMO                                                          | Your Hotel                        | All with badges          |
| 08:00–14:00 | RCD follow-up meetings (optional)                                            | Angleterre Hotel                  | RCDS Attendees          |
| 13:00–14:30 | Volunteer Appreciation Lunch  
Courtesy of IBM                                                                | Astoria — Wintergarden            | By invitation            |
| 14:00–21:00 | Team hotel checkout                                                                  |                                   | Team++                   |
| 22:00–24:00 | Transportation to Airport/Rail Station available  
Courtesy of ITMO                                                            | Your Hotel                        | All with badges          |

## Friday July 5th

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ICPC 2013
Venues
The Peter and Paul Fortress

On May 27, 1703 on small Hare Island on the right bank of the Neva the Peter and Paul Fortress was laid down, — St. Petersburg was founded. The fortress became the heart of the Tsar’s beloved St. Petersburg — the new capital of Russia, the military stronghold of the Russian army. The fortress was intended to protect against the invasion of the Swedes. During its construction, all latest achievements of the European fortification were made use of. Canons were erected on earth walls. Three years later, construction of walls and bastions in red brick started. The works were carried out under the supervision of the architect D. Trezzini.

In the second half of the 18th century, under Catherine II, the walls and bastions of the fortress, overlooking the Neva, were faced with gray granite and acquired their present magnificent appearance.

However, this high-rate Russian fortress did not ever directly take part in military actions. It was destined to be something else. The fortress gained a notorious reputation as “a Russian Bastilles” — the main political prison of Russian Empire. The most important prisoners were incarcerated here. In 1718, at the behest of Peter, his son, Tsarevitch Alexey, being in opposition to Peter’s reforms and charged with plotting against his father, died in one of the casemates of Trubetskoy (south-west) Bastion. The casemates of the bastions and curtain walls, the Secret House of St. Alexei’s Ravelin and the prison of the Trubetskoy Bastion were used to incarcerate the prisoners. Since 1924 the Fortress has been the museum. According to the old tradition, at 12 noon sharp a canon is fired from the bastion.

The central building of the Fortress is St. Peter and Paul’s Cathedral, built by D. Trezzini in 1712–1733. The cathedral, its 122-meter bell-tower with the spire, crowned by the weathervane in the form of a flying angel holding a cross are the symbols of the city. The Peter and Paul Church had been a cathedral church, until St. Isaac’s Cathedral was built in the mid-19th century. After that it became the court church.

In 1725 in the as yet uncompleted cathedral Peter I was buried. Ever since then the cathedral served as the burial place of the royal family. Forty six Emperors, Empresses, Grand Dukes and Duchesses are entombed in the Cathedral and the Grand Dukes’ Burial Chapel. On July 16, 1998 Emperor Nicholas II, the Empress, the Tsar’s children, Doctor Botkin, a valet, a chambermaid, cooks and serfs, who had been shot in 1918 (80 years ago on the same day) were buried in St. Catherine’s Chapel of the Cathedral.
To the left of the entrance to the Cathedral, you will see a small building — the Boat House. The small boat of Peter I used to be exhibited there. At present it contains an exact replica of the boat, the original is in the Central Naval Museum. In the Boat House you can buy various souvenirs.

The building of the Mint, which still functions, overlooks the square. Russian subsidiary coins, orders, medals and badges are minted here.

In the Commandant’s House there is a permanent exhibition “The History of Petersburg-Petrograd in 1703–1917” of the Museum of the History of the City.

On the territory of the Fortress your attention will be drawn by the bronze figure of Peter I (sculptor M. Shemyakin).

At the end of your walk around the Peter and Paul Fortress you can go out onto the Neva quay, from where you can enjoy a beautiful view of the Palace Embankment.
The Hermitage

All the dignitaries — presidents and royalty, as well as hundreds of thousands of people from all regions of Russia and all corners of the world, while visiting St. Petersburg, do not leave it without visiting its tremendous museums. And above all, of course, the Hermitage.

The Hermitage means, in French, a place of solitude. But you will hardly be able to find a place of solitude in one of the largest art museums of the world. But you will be able to see one of the most grandiose collections, to enjoy contact with culture of practically all times and people.

The Hermitage is regarded as having been founded in the year 1764, when Russian Empress Catherine II (wife of Peter III) bought in Berlin the first collection of paintings (mostly of the Dutch and Flemish schools).

The Hermitage possesses the richest collections of paintings, graphics, and applied art, displayed in its 1057 halls. The building is truly enormous. There are 117 of staircases alone in the Winter Palace. But even these premises can’t accommodate the treasures, most of which are kept in the vaults. The museum’s collection embraces the entire history of the world’s art — from the ancient Greek bas-reliefs to the masterpiece paintings of the 20th century. For instance, the Hermitage possesses a unique, second largest (after Holland) collection of Rembrandt, comprising 22 canvasses, an excellent collection of the “younger Dutch artists”. The greatest sculptors are well represented in the museum. Paintings of the Italian Renaissance, French impressionists and many, many others are on permanent display in the Hermitage. For example, the Numismatics Department, displaying coins, orders and medals of all times and people, is of undoubted interest.
Serious scientific research is carried out in the Hermitage. Art treasures are examined with regards to their authentication, authorship and dating. Activities are held in cooperation with other world’s museums. The Hermitage is one of the world’s leading restoration centres.

On the ground floor of this remarkable museum you can find the art of ancient Egypt, burial attributes, stone and wood tombs and sarcophagi, statues of Egyptian gods and goddesses, household articles, ancient wooden ornaments, clay tablets bearing inscriptions and papyri rolls. Assyria and Babylon, the ancient empires of Mesopotamia, will impress you with remains of rock carvings of warriors and emperors, and ancient cuneiform writing. You will feel the mystery of death and eternity.

The exhibits of the department of ancient Greece in the dimly lit and cool halls will remind you of the excellent sculptors and craftsmen of Pheidias’ and Pericles’ time. Amphorae, glassware, black clay red-figure vases will demonstrate you scenes of life of ancient Greeks, where the cult of the body and the healthy way of life prompted these people’s striving for the beautiful. It should be mentioned that apart from authentic Greek sculptures, the Hermitage has a lot of splendid ancient Roman copies.

Ancient Rome itself is represented by the sculptures of Caesars’ period, especially, by a so-called Roman portrait, depicting the power and determination of action seeking historical and mythological characters — the power, which sometimes overtops wisdom and justice, reflecting a sense of masterfulness and cruelty of the Great Empire.

The first floor will astound you with the paintings of the early 14th — late 19th centuries. England, France, Spain, Germany, the Netherlands, Italy will strike your eyes with wonderful golden, light-blue, dark and sunny colors. Five centuries of the Euro-
pean painting will enlighten your soul by their fabulous and beautiful world. You will see
the works of Leonardo da Vinci, Raphael, Veronese, Titian, Rembrandt, Velazquez, El
Greco, Zurbaran, Murillo, Bruegel the Younger and Bruegel the Elder, Rubens, Cranach,
Foussin, Boucher, Watteau, Caravaggio, Tintoretto, Canaletto, Gainsborough, Van Dyck.
Italian majolica, porcelain, glassware, Carrara marble, German porcelain and faience,
lacquer boxes and snuff boxes, arms and armor, figures of knights atop horses in the
Knight Hall, tapestries, and a lot, lot more.

Take a breath, look out of the window at Palace Square — and imagine the military
parades of the times of Russian Emperors, of cuirassiers and uhlans, and later, the pa-
rades of the Soviet times. The Pavilion Halls displays the amazing Peacock Clock. A num-
ber of the Hermitage’s halls are monumental: the Hall of Peter the Great (the Small Throne
Hall), the Malachite, the Coat-of-Arms, the Nicholas Halls. The walls of the renowned
gallery are lined with portraits of commanders and heroes of the Patriotic War of 1812.

The monumental tomb of Alexander Nevsky, created in the mid-18th century at
St. Petersburg Mint, is a masterpiece.

The beauty of the Hermitage interiors defies all description. The same concerns
the light blue and golden light pouring from the Venetian glass windows facing the bridg-
es and the Neva, the Spit of Vasilievsky Island, the Peter and Paul Fortress.
On the second floor you will meet the impressionists’ and post-impressionists’ paintings: Renoir, Manet and Monet, brilliant Degas, Cezanne, Toulouse-Lautrec, “dotty” Seurat, Matisse, Van Dongen (the remarkable portrait of a lady in a hat), Bonnard, Derein, Rousseau, Gaugin and Van Gogh, and last, but not the least, versatile master Picasso, musical Kandinsky, “northern” canvasses of Rockwell Kent, Rodin’s Sculpture “Eternal Spring”, a theme of love, beauty, youth and innocence.

The Alexandrinsky Theater

The theater classics (Shakespeare, Moliere, Chekhov, Pushkin), excellent acting skills are the feature of this oldest theater in St. Petersburg (founded in 1756). In 1828-1832 K. I. Rossi erected a new building for the theater. At that time it was named the Alexandrinsky Theater (after Empress Alexandra Fyodorovna, Nicholas I’s wife). The interior of the “imperial” theater’s auditorium is splendid.

Behind the building of the theater, there is one of the most amazing and perfect streets in the world — Architect Rossi’s Street, named after its creator. The harmony and perfection of this architectural masterpiece are ensured among all by the proportions of this street. Its width is equal to the height of the buildings (22 meters). The length of the facades of the buildings is ten times their height (220 meters). One of the buildings houses the A. Y. Vaganova Academy of the Russian Ballet. Its graduates have earned fame not only in Russia, but also on the world’s stage.
Anichkov Palace

At the corner of Nevsky Prospect and the Fontanka, there is Anichkov Palace, named after Lieutenant Colonel Anichkov, a builder of the first wooden bridge of Peter’s time across the Fontanka. In 1741–1754 the palace was built in the baroque style to M. G. Zemtsov’s design, F B. Rastrelli. Later, it was rebuilt by the architect I. E. Starov in the early classical style.

Originally, the palace belonged to Count A. G. Razumovsky, Empress Elizabeth Petrovna’s favorite. Afterwards, Empress Catherine II presented it to Prince G. A. Potyomkin. In the late 18th century the palace was transferred to the State Treasury and belonged to the Royal family. In 1881–1894 Anichkov Palace was a residence of Emperor Alexander III.

There is now the children’s cultural centre in this splendid palace. Until 1990 it was called the Palace of Pioneers, now it is the Palace of Youth Creativity.

Next to it, there is a marvelous garden, where in 1817–1818, two pavilions were erected under the supervision of K. I. Rossi. The figures of the Russian knights by the pavilions were created by V. I. Demuth-Malinovsky. Nowadays, these pavilions host exhibitions.
St. Isaac’s Cathedral

St. Isaac's Cathedral is the most powerful architectural edifice in St. Petersburg, full of vigor and might. It was built to the design and under the supervision of A. Montferrand. The cathedral was built over a period of 40 years and completed in 1858. The architect was foretold that he was to die soon after the construction of the cathedral. Indeed, it happened one month after the consecration of the cathedral.

The construction of the cathedral became a major achievement of the Russian construction technique. There are over ten thousand piles in its foundation. It is the heaviest cathedral in St. Petersburg. It weighs 330 thousand tons. There are 112 monolith columns in the cathedral. Voice pots were used in the construction of the dome. They were turned downwards for both good acoustics and to support the dome, which is over 25 meters in diameter. The cathedral is 101.5 meters high and can hold 14 thousand people.

You can climb up a spiral staircase to the colonnade of the dome drum. At an altitude of 43 meters you can have a good panorama of the city.

The building of the cathedral belongs to the state museum. But in recent years services have been held here on major religious festivals and special occasions.
The Manége — the Central Exhibition Hall

Next to St. Isaac’s Cathedral there is the oblong building of the former Manége of the Cavalry Guard regiment. It was erected in 1804-1807 to the architect D. Quarenghi’s design. In front of the Manége there are the equestrian groups of Dioscuri (sculptor P. Triscorni). Nowadays it houses the Central Exhibition Hall, where exhibitions of artists are constantly held, and a book fair is organized annually.

On St. Isaac’s Square

From Nevsky Prospect along Bolshaya Morskaya Street you can get to magnificent St. Isaac's Square.

The Mariinsky Palace with its solemn grand facade was built for Grand Duchess Maria Nikolaevna, daughter of Emperor Nicholas I in 1839-1844 (architect A. I. Stakenschneider). The palace dazzles with the refinement of its interior decoration.

Since the 1880s the building has traditionally been the seat of the governmental bodies. At the turn of the 19th–20th centuries it was the home of the State Council, the Council of Ministries of the Russian Empire. And today the state flag of the Russian Federation flies over the Mariinsky Palace. It is the home of the St. Petersburg Legislative Assembly. In front of the palace, there is the Blue Bridge, the widest bridge in the city (99.95 m).
The Monument to Nicholas I

The monument to Emperor Nicholas I on the high multi-tier pedestal in the centre of St. Isaac’s Square was unveiled in 1859. The monument is absolutely unique due to the fact that the huge, 6-meters high bronze monument has only two points of support — two legs of the horse. This is the achievement of the sculptor P. Klodt, whose calculations proved to be accurate.
Hotel Astoria

Hotel Astoria is a five-star hotel in Saint Petersburg, Russia opened in December 1912. It has 213 bedrooms, including 52 suites.

It is located on Saint Isaac's Square, next to Saint Isaac's Cathedral and across from the historic Imperial German Embassy. The architect of the hotel was the Russo-Swedish architect Fyodor Lidval, who developed a style based on art nouveau and also influenced by neo-classicism. Hotel Astoria, along with its neighboring sister hotel, Hotel Angleterre, is managed by The Rocco Forte Collection and is a member of The Leading Hotels of the World. The hotel underwent a complete refurbishment in 2002.
**Angleterre Hotel**

The Angleterre Hotel is a modern, luxury business-class hotel on Voznesensky Prospekt at Saint Isaac’s Square in Saint Petersburg, Russia originally built in the 1850s. The hotel has 193 rooms, including five suites.

The hotel’s name means ‘Hotel England’ in French, and it was changed after the Russian Revolution, first to Hotel International (1919-1925) and then Hotel Leningrads-kaya from 1948 to the early 1970s. It is famous in Russia as the place where poet Sergei Yesenin hanged himself in 1925.

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**Renaissance St. Petersburg Baltic Hotel**

The Renaissance St. Petersburg Baltic Hotel, Russia is an ideal place to enjoy the city’s charm with a fabulous downtown location next to St. Isaac’s Cathedral and steps away from Mariinsky Theater and the Hermitage Museum. From the moment you arrive, our St. Petersburg downtown hotel captivates you with an elegant interior, fresh-cut flowers and original artwork. Elegant boutique hotel will exceed your expectations.
**Petro Palace Hotel**

There is no other city quite like Saint Petersburg, and the Petro Palace Hotel is in the very heart of it. Located just steps away from the Hermitage and St. Isaac's Cathedral and surrounded by some of the city’s best restaurants and bars, vibrant cafes and most exciting theater and nightlife the Petro Palace Hotel is a brand new superior 4-star hotel which offers the best location and superb amenities.

**Hotel Domina Prestige**

Hotel Domina Prestige St. Petersburg — the first hotel of the Italian hotel chain Domina Hotels & Resorts in St. Petersburg and the flagship of the network in Russia.

The hotel is located on the Sink in a beautiful six-story building, known as the home of Baroness Jomini-Kleiber. On one side of his views of the waterfront and the other — on Morskaya Street and St. Isaac’s Cathedral.

Hotel Domina Prestige St. Petersburg is proud to be located in a building that has become part of the history of the great city. This magnificent building was built in 1759-1760 under the project of architect Andrew Kvasova and is identified by an object of cultural heritage. The building was subjected to several reconstructions: at the beginning of the 1840s on the Moika Embankment, a new body, built by the architect of Taman, and in another 30 years the body standing on Bolshaya Morskaya Street, was rebuilt by military engineer Karlovic. During Soviet times, the house was inhabited until the 1970s, it is not accommodated due to deterioration of the structure. Unfortunately, for many decades, this monument is slowly falling into decay, and by the end of 1990 was in poor condition.

Today the house on the Moika again welcomes guests in all its splendor. The once ensembles Petersburg Italian architects built, so it was entrusted to the Italian reconstruction of the building. Famous artist Gianmarco Kavanino regained its historic appearance, and at the same time using bright colors and strange sculptures embodied the eclectic decor in a modern city.
**Yubileyny Sports Palace**

Yubileyny Sports Palace, Sportivniy kompleks Yubileyny; also translated as Yubileiny (Jubilee) Palace of Sports, is an indoor sports arena and concert complex located in St. Petersburg, Russia. It houses 7,012 seats for ice hockey and up to 7,700 seats for basketball. It is accessible from the Sportivnaya metro station. The complex was completed in 1967 as a present from the Federation of Trade Unions to the city on the 50th anniversary of Soviet power.

The Palace hosts a wide variety of activities, including athletic training and competitions, conventions, festivals, and musical concerts. The arena is the home venue of basketball club Spartak Saint Petersburg, hosting both the men’s and women’s teams games.
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