

13TH INTERNATIONAL PHILOSOPHY OLYMPIAD WARSAW

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Dear Mr Poell

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of the 13th International Philosophy Olympiad it is my pleasure to invite your country's representation to take part in 2005 philosophical contest for high school students. 2005 IPO will take place in Warsaw from May 19 till May 23. Its institutional hosts will be Institute of Philosophy and Sociology of the Polish Academy of Sciences and the Polish Philosophical Society, which has just celebrated its 100th anniversary. **"PHILOSOPHY AND A DIALOGUE BETWEEN CULTURES"** will be the theme of the 13th IPO that will be used to organize our intellectual activity apart from the contest itself.

Since we plan the opening of the event for early evening of May 19, we expect all guests to arrive not later than early afternoon on that day. Departure is scheduled for May 23.

In accordance with the adopted IPO regulations we are prepared to cover full-board accommodation of two students and one teacher from each country. However, we will do our best to extend our hospitality to the second teacher, although we cannot guarantee this at the moment. All representations from the countries outside of Europe will have their hotel reservation made since May 18, to allow a longer time for rest before the contest.

Our Korean colleagues were very kind to administer IPO website, so please follow all information published on www.philosopiad.org. Soon we will supply more details about the IPO site and programme. Also, please use application forms from the web to send us – by e-mail - details about your team. We know that in many cases national olympiads are going to be organized during the first months of 2005 so the names of the students may be known later. In such cases please send the declaration of participation before the end of February and the names of the students later, but as soon as they are available.

I would like to remind all members of the jury that before the end of February we all should send our proposals of the contest topics to prof. Bhuvan Chandel, vice-president of FISP.

Please use e-mail for communication. Beside IPO e-mail address above, please forward each message to Michal Rozynek (m.rozynek@chello.pl) and myself (JNiznik@ifispan.waw.pl) as well.

I hope very much to meet you in Warsaw in May 2005 and in the meantime I would like to wish you a most successful New Year 2005.

With kindest regards,

Prof. Józef Niznik, Ph.D.
President of the Organizing Committee