

Up to 80 countries will take part in the olympiad envisaged to be held by Organizational Committee of International Chemistry Olympiad. By purpose to organize 47th International Chemistry Olympiad at higher level, relevant order has been signed by The Ministry of Education. Organizational Committee has been established by chairmanship of professor Nargiz Pashayeva, rector of Baku branch of Moscow State University (MSU) named after M. V. Lomonosov. At the same time, rules on selection of the candidates to national team to be participated in the 47th International Chemistry Olympiad, have been approved.

According to the rules, by purpose to select the candidates to national team to be participated in the olympiad, qualification rounds on the subject of chemistry among the pupils of the secondary institutions will be held. X-XI grade pupils will be involved in the qualification rounds. Winners of final round of qualification phases will take part in the training lessons to International Chemistry Olympiad to be organized in the Baku branch of Moscow State University (MSU) named after M. V. Lomonosov.

Qualification rounds consist of region (city), zone and republic rounds. Questions on each of rounds will be prepared by the specialists of Baku branch of Moscow State University named after M.V.Lomonosov.

First qualification round will be organized on January 18, 2015. 30 questions will be presented to the pupils in this round and 3 hours will be given for response. Questions will be prepared according to school program on the grades in the close test form.

Zone round is envisaged to be held by Organizational Committee in the determined centers. Centers will be selected among the secondary education institutions located in the different regions of republic. Pupils to be participated in the zone phase will be determined by decision of Organizational Committee according to the results of the first phase. Questions will be prepared in the complicated close test and open type format in this phase. 4 hours will be allocated for the pupils for response of 30 hours.

Republic phase of qualification round will be held in the Baku branch of Moscow State University named after M.V.Lomonosov. Pupils to be participated on this phase, will be determined under decision of Organizational Committee taking into account the results of zone phase. Pupils will respond 20 complicated close test and open type questions. 4 hours will be allocated for them.

Announcement of the results of republic phase is expected 5 days after completion of examination. Date of appeal will be determined after the definition of the results.

International Chemistry Olympiad has been held by participation of 5 countries for the first time in 1968 in the Czechoslovakia (present Czech Republic). Last 46th olympiad has been organized by 300 pupils from 75 countries in 2013 in the Hanoi, Vietnam. Azerbaijan pupils have been taking part in this olympiad since 2002 and they generally achieved 24 medals including 5 gold, 5 silver, 14 bronze till today.

It should be noted that, official website (<http://icho2015.msu.az/>) of 47th International Chemistry Olympiad launched.