

15th Asian Physics Olympiad 2014 First Circular

18 March 2014

Dear Leaders,

We are extremely pleased to invite your country delegation to participate in the 15th Asian Physics Olympiad to be held from 11th May to 18th May, 2014 in Singapore.

As of 18th Mar 2014, we have received replies from the following countries and regions. The official invitation letters have been sent to your Ministry of Education by regular mail. A copy of the letter has also been sent to the contact person of each country/region by e-mail a couple of weeks ago. We will also keep close contact with a few countries that have not yet confirmed their participation in APhO2014.

Australia	Azerbaijan	Bangladesh	Brunei	Cambodia
China	Hong Kong	India	Indonesia	Israel
Kyrgyzstan	Laos	Macao	Malaysia	Mongolia
Nepal	Philippines	Romania	Russia	Saudi Arabia
Singapore	Sri Lanka	Syria	Taiwan	Tajikistan
Thailand	Turkmenistan	Uzbekistan	Vietnam	

Lodging

All leaders, observers and visitors will be staying at the Orchard Hotel Singapore, situated right at the central business district (CBD) of Singapore, where many shopping malls are within walking distance from the hotel. All students will be staying in hostels on the campus of the National University of Singapore (NUS).

Leaders, observers and guests will be asked to share a double room. If you would like to have single occupancy, please inform the secretariat (secretariat@apho2014.org). Please note that there will be extra charges for single occupancy.

If your team is planning to come to Singapore earlier than 11th May or depart later than 18th May, please contact us in advance and we would be glad to assist you in reserving proper accommodation. Please note that we will assist for accommodation beyond Olympiad period on payment only.

Entry Visas

It is highly recommended that you apply for visas at your earliest convenience. Please refer to [this page](#) to check whether you need a visa to enter Singapore. If you require a Letter of Introduction (LOI), please contact the Secretariat (secretariat@apho2014.org). You are advised to submit your visa application at the [nearest Singapore Overseas Mission](#). Please register early to allow time for processing.

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Medical insurance

It is highly recommended that delegates will purchase suitable travel and medical insurance in their own country. The organizers will not be responsible for any medical expenses incurred by the leaders, students, observers and visitors during their participation during the Olympiad period. During the 15th APhO, our medical staff will be on hand to take care of the health of all participants on a daily basis. There are several major hospitals within a few minutes' drive from the APhO venues and lodging hotels.

Online Registration

APhO registration is now open. Below are the steps for registration:

1. Please use **INTERNET EXPLORER** only.
2. Go to <http://www.apho2014.org/apho2014/register.html>.
3. Click "Registration Form".
4. Key in the Username and Password provided in the email titled "APhO 2014 Registration Details" which was sent to you earlier.
5. Key in all details, and upload a passport-size photo.
6. Click "Save".

**Each account enables multiple logins at the same time.*

Payment of Fees

An invoice with payment details will be sent to you once the team leader has registered on our site. The preferred payment will be telegraphic transfer (TT).

- Fee for each participating team (up to 8 students and 2 leaders): USD1,000
- Fee for observer and visitor: USD 1,200/pax (double occupancy) or USD 2,200/pax (single occupancy)

Traveling

Although almost all of the major international airlines have direct flights to Singapore, we would like to recommend you to book air flight for your delegation as early as possible. If for some reason you have to arrive in Singapore earlier than 11th May 2014, please inform us well in advance. We will be pleased to assist you with your lodging arrangements. Please note that we will assist for accommodation beyond Olympiad period on payment only.

Upon confirmation of your flight itinerary, please login into the APhO website to inform the Committee of your flight details. The steps are as follow:

1. Please use **INTERNET EXPLORER** only.
2. Go to <http://www.apho2014.org/apho2014/register.html>
3. Click "Flight Details".
4. Key in the same Username and Password used for Registration.
5. Key in all details.
6. Click "Save".

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Computer

One desktop PC with Windows operating system and Microsoft Office installed will be provided to each team in the meeting room for the team leaders to typeset/translate examination questions and process other competition related work. If you'll require special software, it is highly recommended to bring your own laptop computer for your own use.

Feel free to contact me if more information is required.

We are looking forward to seeing you all in the near future.

Best wishes,

Prof. B.V.R. Chowdari

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