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WELCOME TO IOIT 2018 THE AWARDS CEREMONY

The final day of the International Olympiad in Informatics in Teams started at the Youth Theater in Piatra-Neamț for the awards ceremony. The event was hosted by two young and talented public speakers, Alexandru Popescu and Anastasia Cumpăță. This year, the National College of Computer Science had the honour of organizing and hosting the second edition of this international.

The participants were from five countries: Italy, the Russian Federation, Romania, Moldova, and Bulgaria. The festivity started with the Ioana Șoimaru's interpretation of the breath taking Romanian national anthem, "Deșteaptă-te, române!", immediately followed by a short video presentation of the teams, along with some photos about the unique places they visited and the activities the participants and organizers took part in. Immediately after the presentation, the awards were given to the winners by the Central Committee. These are:

Gold Medal: Kappa team, Romania, and Hyp team, Moldova;

Silver Medal: Slav Sqoders team, Romania;

Bronze Medal: Magistrini team, Italy, and Blank Society team, Romania



After the awards ceremony, Dan Beșu and Apopei Cristina gave a perfect interpretation of the "Don't forget me" song by Red Hot Chili Peppers that ended with a standing novation.

Anna Brancaccio from the Italian Ministry of Education noted the support given by the Romanian Ministry of Education to the organization of this competition, also the involvement with which the organizers made students and teachers feel very good these days and expressed her hope that students' interest in informatics and in working in teams will continue.

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The thanks were also expressed by Nadia Amaroli, the initiator of the competition, and Antonella Caligiuri, Deputy Headmistress of the high school that hosted the previous edition of the Olympiad.

The Bulgarian team leader, Kapralov Stoyan, thanked the organizers for their involvement and support and he hoped that they would participate in the next edition of the International Olympiad in Informatics in Teams.

Alina-Gabriela Boca, the leader of the silver medal team, thanked Mrs. Ungureanu and the headmasters of the National College of Computer Science for organizing the competition.

Mrs. Florentina Ungureanu expressed her gratitude to all those who started this competition in September, congratulated all the winners and thanked the colleagues and the schools



who collaborated for the good organization of this Olympiad.

The next edition was decided to take place in Russia and so they were given the task of taking care of the trophy until the next edition.

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At the end of the ceremony, Nina Corobanea and Ioana Șoimaru interpreted two traditional Romanian songs "Ca moldoveanca nu-i nimeni" and "Hai Costică, hai la joc", both being accompanied by dancers from "Mugurelul" assembly. We hope that the Romanian organizers did a great job and the foreign delegates enjoyed their time here

in Romania and that we will see each other again soon!

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IAȘI COUNTY

On the third day, our guests visited Iași county, that is a very important university center and a beautiful city.

The Metropolitan Cathedral in Iași

Once our guests arrived, they visited the Metropolitan Cathedral in Iași, which is an administrative unity of the Romanian Orthodox Church. It is situated at 16 Ștefan cel Mare și Sfânt boulevard and was built in 1887. The cathedral is unique due to the architectural style of the building:

Neoclassic, Baroque and the late forms of the Italian Renaissance style, and for the

fact that inside the church there are Saint Parascheva's relic, where the Christians come and pray for health and mercy.





Also, the Metropolitan Cathedral has its own museum, called The Metropolitan Museum of Moldavia and Bukovina, built under the cathedral and that was a church in the 19th century. The Metropolitan Cathedral is included in the National Register of Historic Museums.

The Palace of Culture in Iași

The second sightseeing attraction that our guests visited was The Palace of Culture in Iași. It is an important museum complex which contains The Art Museum, The History Museum, The Science and Technique Museum and an exhibition of Neolithic Art (Cucuteni). Back in those days, The Palace of Culture was an administrative center, being



used for administrative and justice purposes. This building is unique due to its architectural style, Neo-Gothic style, Romantic style and Neo-Baroque style, and also it is easy to recognize due to its tower. The Palace is a massive and an impressive

construction that is located on Ștefan cel Mare și Sfânt boulevard. History tells that the Palace of Culture was built at the order of the Prince Alexandru Moruzi in 1804. Affected by fire, the Palace was rebuilt in 1841-1843 by Mihail Sturdza and after the establishment of the capital at Bucharest (the Union of the Romanian Principalities in 1862), the Palace served administrative purposes. The Palace was affected again by a fire and was re-inaugurated in 1926 by King Ferdinand I.



IMPRESSIONS

Italy: Filippo Selvatici

Q: Hello, what do you think about the differences between Iași and an Italian city?

A: They seem pretty different. The culture, the appearance and the overall style are unique.

Q: What do you think about the Romanian music?

A: Hmm, the music here is like everywhere else, but I don't usually listen to this kind of music.

Q: But what kind of music do you listen to?

A: I often listen to rap music.

Q: How different is a museum from here compared to a museum from Italy?

A: They're both basic, but these ones have more paintings, more objects to show. They're filled with interesting things.

Q: What do you think about the Romanians?

A: They seem nice.

Q: Thank you! Enjoy the rest of the day!

A: Bye!

Russia: Alexander Mironov

Q: Have you been in Iași before?

A: No, I have not.

Q: What do you like best Iași or Bicăz Gorges?

Q: I can't say because they are so different. One of them is built by man and the other one by nature.

Q: Do you like the Palace of Culture?

A: Yes, especially its unique architecture.

Q: What would you choose between the religious museum and the museum from the Palace?

A: I enjoyed seeing both of them equally.

Q: What is the difference between Romanian museums and Russian museums?

Q: There is not a big difference, both of them having a lot of interesting pieces of art.

Q: Thank you and enjoy your free time!

A: Thank you, bye!

SEE EACH OTHER AGAIN SOON!



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