

















Participation of International Schools

This document summarizes the situation regarding the participation in Swiss Scientific Olympiads of students from International Schools located in Switzerland and the Principality of Liechtenstein. Swiss International Schools located abroad are not taken into account.

In Switzerland and Liechtenstein, seven different Scientific Olympiads are currently organized by seven associations. At a national level, these associations work closely together and are linked through an umbrella association – the Association of Swiss Scientific Olympiads. However, on the international level this is not the case as each Olympiad is organized by an individual board of organizers applying different rules. Therefore, the “legal” situation regarding students from International Schools differs from Olympiad to Olympiad.

The regulations may vary from year to year. The current status of the Olympic year 2014/15 is summarized below, where a green tick  means no restrictions and a warning signal  means some restrictions to participation.

	National Olympiad	International Olympiad	Exam Languages (National Level)	Comments
Biology			De, Fr, It	Legal situation at the International Olympiad unclear
Chemistry			De, Fr, It, En	
Geography			En	
Informatics			De, Fr, En	
Mathematics			De, Fr, It	
Philosophy			De, Fr, It, En	Only Swiss citizens allowed at international level
Physics			De, Fr, It	No precedence known at international level

Biology

www.ibosuisse.ch

The legal situation at the International Biology Olympiad is unclear. Students of International Schools are welcomed to participate in the Swiss Biology Olympiad (held in German, French, and Italian). If they qualify for an International Olympiad, they will be part of the Swiss delegation as long as the international rules are not more specific on that point. No restriction concerning nationality of the students.

Chemistry

www.icho.ch

International Schools have been participating on a national level already since several years. Exams are available in English, German, French, and Italian. Participation in the Swiss delegation at an International Olympiad is currently possible. No restriction concerning nationality of the students.

Geography

www.swissgeolymp.ch

Participation on both the national and international level is possible. Exams on national and international level are held in English only. No restriction concerning nationality of the students.

Informatics

www.soi.ch

Participation on both the national and international level is possible. Exams are available in English, German, and French. No restriction concerning nationality of the students.

Mathematics

www.imosuisse.ch

Participation on both the national and international level is possible. Exams are held in German, French, and Italian. No restriction concerning nationality of the students.

Philosophy

www.swissphilo.ch

All students are welcomed to participate on the national level. Internationally however, only Swiss citizens are allowed to participate for Switzerland. Information on the essay contest is available in English and essays can be written in English, German, French, and Italian.

Physics

www.swisspho.ch

All students are welcomed to participate on the national level. Internationally, the situation is not clear and no precedence is known. Exams are held in German, French, and Italian. No restriction concerning nationality of the students.