

REGULATIONS

VII Yakutia International Science Fair 2026 International School Scientific Conference-Competition

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. These Regulations for the VII Yakutia International Science Fair 2026 - International School Scientific Conference-Competition (hereinafter referred to as the "Regulations" and the "Competition," respectively) define the Competition's goals and objectives, the procedure for organization and conduct, participation conditions, venue, content, participant categories, requirements for the formatting of works, and the procedure for determining winners.

2. The Competition is included in the program of events of the III International Science Games.

3. The Organizers of the Competition are:

- The Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia);
- Sakha Science Academy, a Regional Center for Gifted education "Malyy Akademiya Nauk of the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia)" (State Autonomous Educational Institution);
- M.K. Ammosov North-Eastern Federal University (Federal State Autonomous Educational Institution of Higher Education) (hereinafter referred to as the "Organizers").

4. The Organizers form the Organizing Committee (hereinafter referred to as the "Organizing Committee"). The composition of the Organizing Committee is approved by order of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia).

5. Functions of the Organizing Committee:

- Establishing the Competition's procedural regulations;
- Determining requirements for participants' projects;
- Determining the composition of participants;
- Organizational support for the Competition;
- Determining the composition of the expert commission;
- Determining project evaluation criteria.

6. The organization and conduct of the Competition are based on the principles of openness, transparency, and equal conditions for all participants.

7. The official language of the Competition is English.

8. These Regulations become effective as of the moment of their approval.

II. GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND SECTIONS OF THE COMPETITION

1. The goal of the Competition is to create a space for international scientific communication and the presentation of research results by school students.

2. The objectives of the Competition are:

- Development of students' research and communication skills;

- Increasing students' interest in scientific activities and solving current problems of our time;
- Facilitating intercultural communication among students.

3. The Competition is conducted in the following sections:

- Mathematics, Computer Science, and Information Technology;
- Physics, Astronomy, and Engineering Sciences;
- Life Sciences, Environmental Sciences, and Chemical Sciences;
- Social Sciences and Humanities.

III. DATES AND VENUE OF THE COMPETITION

1. The Competition will be held from July 2 to July 4, 2026, in a blended (in-person and remote) format.

2. Venue: [Yakutsk, M.K. Ammosov North-Eastern Federal University, Faculty of Natural Sciences Building, "Tochka Kipeniya" Collaborative Workspace.]

IV. PROCEDURE FOR CONDUCTING THE COMPETITION

1. Submission of works to the Competition is accepted until May 15, 2026.

2. A maximum of five (5) projects per educational organization are accepted. A single project may be represented by no more than 6 participants.

3. Students from educational organizations of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation and/or analogous secondary general education organizations from near and far abroad countries are eligible to participate in the Competition.

4. The project must be prepared in English and submitted to the Organizing Committee of the Competition.

5. The project must have been completed within the one year preceding the Competition. If the work was conducted over more than one year, the results obtained must be presented by the participant for the entire period.

6. Preliminary selection of projects submitted to the Competition by organizations from constituent entities of the Russian Federation is carried out by the expert commission from May 20, 2026, to June 1, 2026. The selection of projects from near and far abroad countries is carried out by the sending organizations. The list of projects approved for participation in each section of the Competition is confirmed by the minutes of the expert commission meeting and published on the website of the Sakha Science Academy (Malyy Akademiya Nauk) ([<https://lensky-kray.ru>] (<https://lensky-kray.ru>)) no later than June 9, 2026.

7. The Competition program includes competitive and non-competitive parts.

The competitive part of the program includes:

- Oral project defenses by section according to the regulations: 7 minutes for the presentation. The defense schedule will be published on the website of the Sakha Science Academy (Malyy Akademiya Nauk) no later than July 1, 2026.

- Open poster competition "People's Choice." Electronic poster layouts and a link to the open voting will be posted on the website of the Sakha Science Academy (Malyy Akademiya Nauk) no later than July 2, 2026.

The non-competitive part of the program includes lectures, master classes, and cultural events.

8. The criteria for evaluating participants' projects are:

- Originality and creativity;
- Alignment of content with stated goals and objectives;
- Project structure;
- Correctness of research methods;
- Consistency of conclusions with obtained results;
- Processing of research results;
- Scientific approach;
- Novelty and/or practical significance of results;
- Quality of presentation and poster design.

9. Based on the results of the Competition, diplomas are awarded to Competition participants and project teams who secure 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in the thematic sections. All participants receive certificates of participation in the Competition.

10. The absolute winner of the Competition receives the Grand Prix of the International School Scientific Conference-Competition (Yakutia International Science Fair). The absolute winner of the Competition is the delegation of the educational organization whose participants have received the highest number of prize-winning places.

V. REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPETITION MATERIALS

1. To participate in the Competition, by May 20, 2026, the educational organization must send an application to the email address [visf-yakutsk@mail.ru] (mail to: visf-yakutsk@mail.ru), attaching links to the following files:

- Project abstract in English, no more than 300 words, containing the project title, authors' full names and organization, a brief description of the work, and keywords;
- Electronic poster layout in PDF format, containing the title, novelty and relevance, aim, objectives and research methods, data analysis, as well as results with their visual representation. Under the project title, the name of the educational organization and the author's full name must be indicated. If this is a team project, the lead researcher is listed first.

The application form is provided in the Appendix to these Regulations.

2. During the sectional defenses, participants must present an electronic project presentation containing the title, novelty and relevance, aim, objectives, research methods, data analysis, as well as results with their visual representation.

VI. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

1. Students from educational institutions of the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia) are invited to participate in person.

2. The organizational fee for each participant who successfully passes the preliminary selection for participation in the Competition and for each team supervisor is:

- For in-person participation: 5,000 (five thousand) rubles for each participant and supervisor from the Republic of Sakha (Yakutia) who are part of the main team; 7,000 (seven thousand) rubles for each additional participant and supervisor.

- Remote participation for participants from constituent entities of the Russian Federation and/or analogous secondary general education organizations from other countries does not require an organizational fee.

3. By June 20, 2026, in-person participants must provide copies of proof of payment of the organizational fee and identification documents (passport or birth certificate).

4. An additional fee is charged for an extended team composition (participants, supervisors, and other accompanying persons) admitted by decision of the Organizing Committee.

5. For in-person participants travel expenses are borne by the sending parties. The Organizer covers expenses related to accommodation, meals, transfers, excursions, and other activities during the Competition.

6. An additional fee is charged for any stay outside the Competition period as decided by the Organizing Committee.

7. In case of withdrawal from the Competition, the organizational fee is non-refundable.

VII. SAFETY REGULATIONS DURING THE COMPETITION

1. An exhibit requiring electrical power must be connected to an AC mains supply of 220 V, 50 Hz, and a European plug adapter with a fuse.

2. Experimental setups, models, and illustrative materials (if any) must comply with fire safety requirements, must not contain toxic or flammable components, must not violate moral and ethical norms, and must not be provocative in nature.

3. The following items are prohibited from display:

- Living organisms, including plants in a raw, unprocessed state, except for industrial building materials;

- Samples of soil, sand, stones, and waste, even if enclosed;

- Taxidermy specimens or their parts, animal bones;

- Collections of vertebrate and/or invertebrate animal specimens;

- Food products;

- Human/animal skeleton models or biological fluids (e.g., blood, urine);

- Chemical substances, including water (projects cannot use water in any form for demonstration), dry ice;

- Hazardous substances or devices (e.g., poisons, drugs, firearms, ammunition, reloading devices, lasers);

- Sharp objects (e.g., syringes, needles, pipettes, knives);
- Open flames or flammable materials;
- Open-type batteries;
- Glass or glass objects, subject to Organizer permission;
- Active internet connections or the use of email cannot be part of the project demonstration.

VIII. INFORMATION SUPPORT FOR THE COMPETITION

1. Official information about the Competition is posted in the public domain on the internet on the Organizer's website, as well as on internet portals of interested executive authorities and other Competition partners (if necessary).

2. Competition materials may be used by third parties provided that a link to the source and/or the authors of the materials is included.

3. The Organizer is not responsible for:

- The quality and content of materials submitted by participants of the Competition events;
- Violation of third-party copyrights by participants of the Competition events.

4. The Organizer reserves the right to process, design, use, and distribute Competition materials in various formats, including via file-sharing servers.

APPENDIX

Application Form for Participation in the VII Yakutia International Science Fair - International School Scientific Conference-Competition

To be completed by a Team Supervisor

Educational Institution (write full name)	
Country, Region	
City	
Participation (please select appropriate option)	<input type="checkbox"/> IN-PERSON <input type="checkbox"/> ONLINE
Total number of team members, including: (participants, supervisors, and accompanying persons)	
- Participants	
- Supervisors	
- Accompanying persons	
Total number of projects from a team and in sections:	
- Mathematics, Computer Science, IT	
- Physics, Astronomy, Engineering	
- Life Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Chemistry	
- Social Sciences & Humanities	
Total number of participants from a team of which in sections:	
- Mathematics, Computer Science, IT	
- Physics, Astronomy, Engineering	
- Life Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Chemistry	
- Social Sciences & Humanities	
Arrival Date (for in-person participation) (DD.MM.YYYY)	
Departure Date (for in-person participation) (DD.MM.YYYY)	
Supervisor's Contact Email	

Supervisor's Contact Phone (+country code...)	
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To be completed personally by each participant
(including the supervisor and other team representatives)

FULL NAME (FIRST NAME, LAST NAME)	
AGE	
GENDER (PLEASE SELECT)	<input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE
DATE OF BIRTH (DD.MM.YYYY)	
GRADE (please write only completed academic year)/ POSITION (Supervisors only)	
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION NAME (Please write full official name)	
CITY	
COUNTRY, REGION-PROVINCE	
MODE OF PARTICIPATION (PLEASE SELECT)	<input type="checkbox"/> IN-PERSON <input type="checkbox"/> ONLINE
STATUS (PLEASE SELECT)	<input type="checkbox"/> PARTICIPANT <input type="checkbox"/> SUPERVISOR <input type="checkbox"/> ACCOMPANYING PERSON
PROJECT TITLE	
LINK TO THE WORK ABSTRACT (Abstract: max 300 words, containing project title, authors' and organization' full names, brief project description, keywords)	
LINK TO THE POSTER IN PDF	
PROJECT SECTION (PLEASE SELECT ONE)	<input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics, Computer Science, IT <input type="checkbox"/> Physics, Astronomy, Engineering <input type="checkbox"/> Life Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Chemistry <input type="checkbox"/> Social Sciences & Humanities
ARRIVAL DATE (IN-PERSON) (DD.MM.YYYY)	
DEPARTURE DATE (IN-PERSON) (DD.MM.YYYY)	
PERSONAL CONTACT EMAIL	

PERSONAL CONTACT PHONE

(+COUNTRY CODE)