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To the rector's adviser  
Tehran state University  
Professor Mehdi Sanaei

Dear Professor Mehdi Sanaei!

National research Tomsk state University, as one of the organizers of the project, invites students and graduates of Tehran state University, as well as other universities in Iran, to participate in the Open Doors international Olympiad.

The Olympiad is organized by The Association of Global Universities, in collaboration with the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Russian Federation and the Federal Agency for the Commonwealth of Independent States Affairs, Compatriots Living Abroad, and International Humanitarian Cooperation (Rossotrudichestvo).

The competition is aimed at talented foreign students who would like to enroll in master's and postgraduate programs in Russia for free.

The winners of the Open Doors are granted a free early admission at any Russian university, without entrance examinations and with tuition fees covered by the Russian Federation.

The competition winners will be able to enroll in a program using a single-window system, choosing any of 500 Russian universities, including 21 leading universities-participants of the 5-100 Project. The language of instruction is English or Russian depending on the chosen program and the university.

The Olympiad has two tracks - for prospective Master's and doctoral students (analogous to Ph.D.). The Olympiad is held in two rounds for the Master's track and in three rounds for the doctoral track (analogous to Ph.D.). The first round is a competition of portfolios, and the second round is a problem-solving challenge. The third round of the Olympiad involves the selection of a prospective research supervisor for the chosen doctoral program (analogous to Ph.D.) and an interview with him/her.

The first two rounds of the Olympiad are held simultaneously for both tracks of the Olympiad.

There is a master's track for all study areas of the Olympiad:

1. Biology & Biotechnology
2. Chemistry & Materials Science



3. Clinical Medicine & Public Health
4. Linguistics & Modern Languages
5. Mathematics & Artificial intelligence
6. Physical Sciences
7. Computer & Data Science
8. Business & Management
9. Politics & International Studies
10. Neuroscience & Psychology
11. Economics & Econometrics
12. Engineering & Technology
13. Earth Sciences
14. Education

There are doctoral tracks only for the following study areas:

1. Biology & Biotechnology
2. Chemistry & Materials Science
3. Clinical Medicine & Public Health
4. Linguistics & Modern Languages
5. Mathematics & Artificial intelligence
6. Physical Sciences

The competition is open to foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, having a Bachelor's degree or completing a Bachelor degree program in the year of the Olympiad for the Master's track and having a Master's or Specialist's degree for the doctoral track (analogous to Ph.D.) in the year of the Olympiad.

Participants are requested to register online in the Olympiad registration system **from September 15 to December 10, 2020**. To register participants should click the "PARTICIPATE" button on the Olympiad website <http://www.od.globaluni.ru>. After the registration, participants get access to their personal account.

I will be glad to answer any questions regarding participation in the Olympics.

Yours faithfully,

Rector's Advisor



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