Rules of Participation

The Competition shall be held from **October 20 to October 30, 2021** in two formats: on-site (requiring personal attendance) and online:

• **in English** – in the following subjects: Mathematics, Information Technologies, Foreign Language (English), History, International Relations, Modern Politics, Social Sciences, Psychology, Law, Philosophy, Asian Studies, Media Communications and Journalism.

If you wish to pursue a Russian-taught programme at HSE University and you do not speak Russian, you should first take a one-year preparatory course at HSE University (HSE International Preparatory Programmes).

If You wish to take part in the Competition, please do the following:

1. Familiarize yourself with information regarding the Competition: eligibility requirements ('Participants' section), subjects covered ('Subjects' section), and <u>"The Steps to Participate" section</u>.

2. Register online on the Competition website. Online registration will be open from **May 24, 2021 to October 10, 2021**, and you must register to participate in the Competition.

Those who have successfully completed registration will receive a registration number. The number assigned to you during online registration will be used to secure your participation in all events (be reminded that you may participate in more than one subject but no more than 5). So, please <u>keep the number</u> until the final results are announced.

<u>Attention!</u> You will NOT be able to register on-site on the day of the Competition event. Make sure that you register online in advance!

3. Prepare for the Competition using our learning materials for each subject, including the demo versions; the list of topics and their descriptions, as well as recommended literature; online sources.

4. Come to the venue in your nearest city on the day of the Competition event, according to the Schedule, which will be published on our website no later than one week before the Competition's starting date, or alternatively, take part in the Competition online, as per the terms, conditions, rules and guidelines (these materials shall be published no later than three weeks prior to the start of the Competition).

Rules for Taking Part in Online Competition Events

1. Online Competition events shall be held in the following subject areas: Mathematics, Information Technologies, Foreign Language (English), History, Asian Studies, Social Sciences, Modern Politics, Psychology, Law, Philosophy, International Relations, Journalism, Media Communications.

2. The Competition events in Mathematics, History, Asian Studies, Social Sciences, Modern Politics, Psychology, Law, Philosophy shall be held both in an on-site and online format. Please select <u>one format</u> only when registering for the Competition in these subjects.

If it is found that a Competition participant is attempting to participate in these subject areas in both formats - on-site and online - all the participant's results will be cancelled.

3. Rules and conditions of the online Competition events shall be published on the Competition's official website no later than 3 (three) weeks before the Competition starting date.

4. Participation in Competition events in an online format in Asian Studies, Foreign Language (English), Information Technologies, History, Mathematics, International Relations, Law, Psychology, Modern Politics, Philosophy, and Social Sciences shall be held via a proctoring platform, as per corresponding Instructions, posted on the Competition's official website no later than 3 (three) weeks before the Competition starting date.

- 5. Participants in Competition events in an online format can sign in to the proctoring platform within 20 minutes after the starting time of the online competition, as specified in Schedule. When getting connected to the proctoring platform, participants must show their passport or another form of photo ID.
- 6. After signing in the proctoring platform within 20 minutes after the starting time of the online competition fixed in Schedule, participants in Competition events in an online format may complete their assignments during the entire period of the online competition, which is specified in Schedule.
- 7. During Competition events in an online format via a proctoring platform, participants are not allowed to leave the proctor-controlled area designated in the respective Instructions, which can be found on the Competition's official website.
- 8. In case of any breach of the Rules for participants of Competition events in an online format via a proctoring platform, a breaching participant will be removed from the proctoring platform by proctors without the right to repeat participation in this Competition event.
- 9. If the Organizing Committee allows a participant of Competition events in an online format via a proctoring platform to have another attempt to take part in the Competition event after a technical error occurred, the participant's latest attempt will be counted towards the results of the Competition.
- 10. If a participant of Competition events in an online format via a proctoring platform took part in the same event of Competition twice without permission from the Organizing Committee, the result, which was first recorded by the Competition system, will be counted.
- 11. Competition events in Journalism and Media Communications in an online format will be governed by terms and rules, posted on the Competition's official website no later than 3 (three) weeks before the Competition starting date.
- 12. Competition events in Journalism, Media Communications will be held online according to the following timetable:

- from October 20, 2021 until October 30, 2021, participants who have completed online the obligatory registration form must send HSE University their work in accordance with the rules and terms, posted on the Competition's official website;
- from November 08, 2021 until November 12, 2021, interviews will be held with participants who have progressed to the second round.

13. During online Competition events, participants may not use electronic devices, corollary materials, reference books, directories and other items, which are not allowed during Competition events, as well as communicate with other people.

14. Competition criteria, assessment methods, and results of the completion of Competition assignments cannot be appealed.

We wish you every success at the Competition event!