



Science and Engineering Fair,
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1. Science and Engineering Fair 2017: Introduction

The INMM has the honour of announcing the 2017 Vienna International Science and Engineering Fair that will again take place on **25 March 2017 at the Lycée Français de Vienne**, Liechtensteinstraße 37a, 1090 Vienna.

The theme of this year's Fair is **'Space & Sea – Exploring New Heights and Depths'**.

In the 2016 Science and Engineering Fair, there were significantly fewer projects registered than in previous years: a trend we hope to reverse in 2017. However, the participating schools in 2016 were more than ever: the Amadeus International School of Vienna, the American International School in Vienna, the American College of Sofia, the British International School of Bratislava, the Carlsbad International School, the Danube International School, the International Christian School of Vienna, the Lycée Français de Vienne, the International School of Brno, the Vienna International School and the Riverside International School of Prague.



Pictured above are students at the registration desk 2016.

The full list of the 2016 prize-winners is available on the [INMM website awards page](#).

Many photos, above links and videos are also included on the [INMM Facebook page](#). Please feel free to "Like" this page and share it with other students, parents, sponsors or anyone else who might be interested. Please follow us on [Twitter](#) and subscribe to [INMM YouTube videos](#).

Alternatively, check out the [Science Fair website](#). We hope to see an even larger participation by students from the international schools in 2017.

We look forward to seeing you at the Science Fair!

Mr John Kinney, Organiser, Vienna International Science and Engineering Fair

2. How to Enter

The Science and Engineering Fair is open to students in middle and upper years of participating schools. If you are interested please contact your science teacher or the Science Fair Coordinator in your school.

Initial registration of projects and participants with the INMM is **now open** – there is no limit, within reason, to the changes which can be made to a project, before the final registration change deadline in March 2017.

To register in the Science Fair, click on the [registration link](#) here, or go to the [Science Fair website](#). For further information, contact your science teacher, the Science Fair Coordinator at your school or [Ms. Elisa Bonner](#), Science Fair Registrar.

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Photographs of the 2016 Science Fair and the Awards Banquet can be seen on the following web links: The [Science Fair 2016](#) main article and [additional photos from the science fair](#) as well as Awards Banquet 2016 at the Lycée cafeteria. The 2016 Science Fair was also featured in an article in the [Kurier](#) which included project descriptions, photos, and videos (many thanks to Mr Heinz Wagner from KIKU, Kinder-KURIER).

3. Project Categories

As mentioned above, the theme of the 2017 Science and Engineering Fair will be *Space and Sea – Exploring New Heights and Depths*. March 25 marks the anniversaries of the birth of scientists who were involved in astronomy and marine zoology and of several significant events in the history of exploration and astronomy. Exploration and exploitation of space oceans has yielded many benefits, involving almost every branch of mathematics, science and engineering. Therefore a great variety of sub-themes from which to establish a project are expected.

The categories of projects foreseen are as follows:

Senior Division

- Biological Science
- Computer Science and Mathematics
- Chemistry and Physics
- Earth and **Space Science**
- Environmental Science
- Engineering and Technology
- Health and Human Behaviour

Junior Division

- Computer Science and Mathematics
- Earth and **Space Science**
- Environmental Science
- Health Science
- Human Behaviour
- Life Science Animals
- Life Science Plants
- Machines and Technology
- Physical Principles

If you are interested, but don't know how or where to start, speak to your science teacher or the Science Fair Coordinator at your school. Websites such as Intel's societyforscience.org or [Science Buddies.org](http://ScienceBuddies.org) can help provide project ideas, as well as guide you through the execution of your project.

4. Rules

The complete rules for the Science and Engineering Fair will soon be available at the Fair website. The most important rules are:

- Each project may have up to three team members. A student may enter only one project or be a team member of only one project;
- The project must be the work of the team members alone;
- Projects involving human subjects, vertebrate animals, pathogenic agents, controlled substances, hazardous chemicals or devices,

human/animal tissue, or recombinant DNA must be approved by the Fair's Science Review Committee;

- **All projects entered in the Fair must include a display and must be accompanied by a report.** The text of the report should be less than 10,000 words in length. The report should be written in English. (Reports from the French, Japanese or Russian Schools may be submitted in French, Japanese or Russian respectively as long as they are accompanied by a summary in English.);
- The majority of display areas will have a depth of 76 cm by 122 cm wide. A table will be provided: **please note that display boards will not be provided.**
- Electrical Power: If power is required for your display, 230 volt single phase (50 Hz) power will be available, maximum of 500 watts.

5. The Schedule (Outline)

Friday, 24 March, 2017

4 pm to 8 pm Registration at Lycée. Pick up your registration packet in the foyer. **SET UP YOUR PROJECT DISPLAY!**

Saturday, 25 March 2017

10 am Students to be at project display.
10 am to 12 pm Interviews by judges
12 pm to 2 pm Lunch
2 pm Presentations of ribbons for each project
2 pm to 4 pm Public viewing (and further interviews by judges)
4 pm to 5 pm Dismantling of your project

6. The Science Fair Awards Banquet

An Awards Banquet will be held following the Science Fair: All student participants are invited to the Banquet **free of charge**. The date and venue have yet to be decided.

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