ISLP Poster Competition – Teacher’s notes

Goal of the competition

To improve students' abilities in describing their environment with help of statistics and in using statistics as a tool for learning about their lives on a daily basis.

Why a poster?

Taking part in this poster competition will encourage students

- to work as a team
- to investigate real questions using data
- to use their mathematical and graphical skills
- to interpret statistical results
- to develop written communication skills

Participants

The competition is open to teams of 2–3 students (we do not allow posters made by only one student).

There are two divisions:
- students born in 1999 and younger (lower secondary/upper comprehensive school)
- students born in 1996 and younger (upper secondary school)

Teams are registered by teachers.

Phases of the competition:

1. School/local/regional competition
   - registration by teacher with your own Country Coordinator
     (http://iase-web.org/islp/People.php?p=Country_Coordinators)
   - preparing posters
   - judging posters in school/localy/regionally
   - submitting the best poster of each age category to national committees/country coordinators (only one poster per category)
   - how this stage is executed may vary in different countries; country coordinator will give more specific instructions

2. National competition
   - posters will be judged by national organizing committees
   - the winning posters (nationally) will be announced on 14th March 2015 (at the latest)
   - the best posters from each country will represent their country in the ISLP competition
3. International competition
   - winning national posters:
     - will be judged in an international final
     - will be displayed at the 60th World Statistics Congress of the International Statistics Institute in Rio de Janeiro 26–31 July 2015
     - international winners will be announced during this conference
     - international winners will also be announced on the ISLP website

**Important dates**

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**Competition information**

- Competition rules
- Registration starts 7th April 2014
- Judging criteria
- Guidelines for making a statistical poster

**Checklist**

- register with your Country Coordinator
- have a short introduction to students how to make posters (links above)
- allow time for students to make posters at school or/and as homework
- arrange judging at school
- send poster(s) to the Country Coordinator (only one poster per category)
  - separate annex including participants’ information