

Newsletter – Day 2

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Arriving at Tudor Vianu National College of Computer Science, we found a competitive atmosphere filled with confidence and emotions. During the five hours of the challenge, the contestants did their best to make themselves and their country proud.

Later, when the contest ended, we had the opportunity to meet and talk to them. Here are their answers to our questions:

1. The contestant from Serbia:

Q: Is it your first time in Romania?

A: No, I was actually born near the border between Romania and Serbia, so I made quite a few trips here.

Q: What do you think of Bucharest?

A: It's very nice, I love it.

Q: What was the contest like?

A: Good, I'm really satisfied with what I did, but I don't think I have many chances at winning the 1st prize.

Q: How did you discover your love for physics?

A: I discovered my passion with the help from my teachers at school. I work between 2 and 5 hours a day.

Q: What are your plans for the future?

A: I plan to go to Cambridge.

2. The contestant from Russia 1:

Q: Is it your first time in Romania?

A: Yes.

Q: What do you think of Bucharest?

A: The city is interesting, the center is very pretty.

Q: What was the contest like?

A: It was very hard, and I don't think I did very well.

Q: How did you discover your love for physics?

A: We are lucky to have good and supportive teachers, and the fact that we won the National Olympiad encouraged us to participate in this competition. We usually work 7 hours a day.

Q: What are your plans for the future?

A: I plan to attend the MIPT University in Russia.

3. The contestant from Bosnia and Herzegovina:

Q: Is it your first time in Romania?

A: Yes, the whole team is here for the first time.

Q: What do you think of Bucharest?

A: I think the city is great, the food is very good and the women are very beautiful.

Q: What was the contest like?

A: We aren't used to this level of the competition, so we did not do so well.

Q: How did you discover your love for physics?

A: We discovered our love for physics at school, and we also have older friends who inspired us. We work between 4 and 5 hours a day.

Q: What are your plans for the future?

A: In the future I want to go and study abroad.

4. The contestant from Russia 2:

Q: Is it your first time in Romania?

A: Yes, it's our first time here.

Q: What do you think of Bucharest?

A: We like it very much.

Q: What was the contest like?

A: The contest was very hard; we had three exercises and 5 hours to solve them. We think we managed to do well.

Q: How did you discover your love for physics?

A: It's a difficult question...I must say I fell in love with it from our first contact. Also, I work between 8 and 10 hours a day.

Q: What are your plans for the future?

A: I don't know yet.