

independently, and the results were presented for each student individually as well as for the team. Since 2010, when Croatian students began participating regularly in the International Geography Olympiad, they have won a total of 38 medals: 7 gold, 13 silver, and 18 bronze. This year's major achievement is the winning of three medals: Dino Fazlić and Marin Lakoš received silver medals, while Nereo Rundić was awarded bronze. In addition to these medals, the Croatian national team's qualification for the finals in the poster category, on the theme of Unity in Diversity, is particularly noteworthy. By reaching

the finals, the Croatian poster was ranked among the nine most successful entries in the entire competition.

Alongside the competitive events, an important aspect of every Geographic Olympiad is social interaction, which takes place through a series of social and cultural events and excursions. To introduce all Olympiad participants to the sights and lifestyle of the host country, the organisers arranged two half-day excursions in Bangkok: a visit to the Grand Palace and to the artificial river island of Bang Krachao, also known as the "green lungs" of Bangkok. After the

Olympiad concluded, the Croatian team spent a further four days on a post-iGeo excursion in the Isan region, in the northeast of the Kingdom of Thailand.

This year, the Croatian team's trip to the Olympiad was again organised by the Croatian Geographical Society and financially supported by the Ministry of Science, Education and Youth, as well as the sponsor, the company GDi, to whom we would like to express our gratitude.

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## STEM Games 2025



This was yet another year in which we have witnessed the repeated participation of the Faculty of Geodesy University of Zagreb in the already indispensable and the largest student competition in the region – STEM Games. The competition took place in Umag from May 11 to May 16. This year, around 2000 participants competed in various categories such as sports, knowledge, eSports, and different additional program activities. When it comes to knowledge, our students confidently took on the challenges of the Mathematics Arena. In the sports area, our futsal players overcame Pula's UniPU in the match

for third place and thus proudly returned home with a medal. Besides futsal, our students also competed this year in beach volleyball, cross-country, and tennis, which was a novelty at this year's STEM Games, and we had the honor of being one of the first faculties to compete in this sport at this competition. Our students also took part in the eSports arena, competing in EAFC 25. Although we were one of the smallest among the 24 faculties with around forty participants, we made good use of the opportunity to showcase both our collective and individual qualities.

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brončano odličje. Osim osvojenih medalja, posebno raduje plasman hrvatske reprezentacije u finale natjecanja u kategoriji postera na temu Unity in Diversity. Plasmanom u finale ovoga natjecanja hrvatski je poster svrstan među devet najuspješnijih na cijelom natjecanju.

Osim natjecateljskog dijela, važan dio svake geografske olimpijade je i druženje koje se ostvaruje kroz niz društvenih i kulturnih događanja te izlete.

Kako bi se sudionike olimpijade upoznao sa znamenitostima i načinom života zemlje domaćina, organizatori su pripremili dva poludnevna izleta u Bangkok (posjet kraljevskoj palači Grand Palace te umjetnom riječnom otoku Bang Krachao, kojeg još

nazivaju i „zelenim plućima“ Bangkoka). Po završetku olimpijade, hrvatski tim proveo je još četiri dana na post-iGeo ekskurziji – u regiji Isan na sjeveroistoku Kraljevine Tajland.

I ove godine odlazak hrvatskog tima na olimpijadu organiziralo je Hrvatsko geografsko društvo, a financijski potpomoglo Ministarstvo znanosti, obrazovanja i mladih te sponzor – tvrtka GDi, na čemu im zahvaljujemo.



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I ove godine svjedočili smo ponovnom sudjelovanju Geodetskog fakulteta Sveučilišta u Zagrebu na već neizostavnom najvećem studentskom natjecanju u regiji – STEM Games. Natjecanje se održalo u Umagu od 11. do 16. svibnja. Ove godine se natjecalo oko 2000 natjecatelja u različitim kategorijama kao što su sport, znanje, eSport te različite aktivnosti dodatnog programa. Što se tiče znanja, naši studenti odlučno su prihvatili izazove Matematičke arene. Na sportskom području, u futsalu su naši nogometaši u utakmici za treće mjesto nadjačali pulski UniPU te se tako ponosno vratili

kući s medaljom. Osim futsala, naši studenti su se ove godine natjecali i u odbojci na pijesku, krosu i u tenisu koji je bio novitet na ovogodišnjem STEM Gamesu te smo imali čast biti jedan od prvih fakulteta koji se natječe u tom sportu na ovome natjecanju. Naši studenti također su nastupili u eSport areni natječući se u EAFC 25. Iako smo bili jedan od najmanjih među 24 fakulteta s četrdesetak sudionika, dobro smo iskoristili priliku pokazivanja naših zajedničkih i pojedinačnih kvaliteta.

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