

A report of the 1st International Earth Science Olympiad - The results of inspection for examinations -

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The first International Earth Science Olympiad was held at Daegu and Yeongwol in Korea from October 7 through 15, 2007.

At the first day, a welcome party was given for all participants including with mentors and jury. At the second day, all participants except for jury attended a self-introduction session in the morning and visited laboratories at a university and a museum, a historical temple, and several geological points using one large-sized bus in the afternoon. At the third day, all participants except for jury made a study tour to geological sites and a huge plant of the ironworks industry using the bus all day. At the fourth day, the participants were taken two types of examination which were written and practical tests at Daegu on October 10.

Two hours written test gave eight questions in the several fields of Earth and Planetary Sciences in the morning. Moreover, the practical test gave three questions in the fields of Geology, Meteorology, and Astronomy in the afternoon. The former test was held all together at the same room. On the other hand, the latter test was held to participants individually set several booths.

The degrees of difficulty of questions were appropriate to the Olympiad in my view point. If Japanese secondary school students were attended in the competition, they would be ranked as one of the highest participant's group.

In this session I will present more in detail including with lineup of participants and so forth.