



IESO2016

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IESO2016 begins

The first day of the IESO2016 has finally arrived. The opening ceremony will be held at Mie University, in the Tsu city, the capital of Mie Prefecture. The 26 teams attending the competition this year are from Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Brazil, Cambodia, Chinese Taipei, Czechia, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Kazakhstan, Malawi, Norway, People's Republic of China, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Ukraine, USA and Japan. For People's Republic of China, this is the first time to participate. Argentina is also attending the IESO2016 as an observer.



Photo; Sign at the entrance and teams at the Centrair Airport



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Today's Schedule

Students

- 06:30 - 08:00 Breakfast
- 08:10 Departure to Mie University
- 09:30 - 10:00 Disaster Prevention Program [Formal]
- 10:00 - 11:00 Opening Ceremony
- 11:00 - 11:45 Welcome Event
- 11:45 - 13:00 Lunch
- 13:00 Departure [T-shirt]
- 14:15 - 17:00 Cultural Trip to *Iga Ueno*
- 17:00 Departure to the Accommodation
- 18:30 - 20:00 Dinner (rotation)
- 20:00 - 21:00 Meeting (Team Introduction)

Mentor and Observers

- 07:00 - 08:00 Breakfast (Room Ise)
- 08:00 Departure to Mie University
- 09:30 - 10:00 Disaster Prevention Program [Formal]
- 10:00 - 11:00 Opening Ceremony
- 11:00 - 11:45 Welcome Event
- Return to the Hotel
- 12:30 - 14:00 Lunch (Room Ise)
- 14:00 - 15:00 Jury Meeting 1 (Room Aoi)
- 15:00 - 18:00 Review of written test (Room Aoi)
- 18:00 - 20:00 Dinner (Room Ise)
- 19:00 - 21:00 Translation of Written Tests

Weather Forecast

Today (21)



partly sunny to rain

max 32 °C (Tsu)
 max 35 °C (Iga Ueno)
 chance of rain 50%
 after early evning

Monday (22)



rain to cloudy

min 27 °C (Tsu)
 max 34 °C (Tsu)
 chance of rain 50%
 in morning

Tuesday (23)



rain

min 26 °C
 max 29 °C (Tsu)
 chance of rain 90%

Welcome to the IESO2016 in Mie

Hello! My name is Ken-ichiro Hisada, the chairman of the Japan Earth Science Olympiad (JESO) Committee. JESO had once planned to host the 2012 International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO) in Tsukuba, Japan. However, due to the aftermath of the tragic Tohoku earthquake on March 11th, 2011, we had to cancel unfortunately the plan. Today, with the support of many people including the international community, we can finally host the IESO here, in Japan. When I think of the long way to here, in Mie, after 2011, I am overcome by deep emotion. Mie, the venue of the IESO, is well known for its UNESCO World Heritage sites and blessed by an abundant nature and rich culture. I hope you will have a great experience here in Mie.



Professor K. Hisada

Ninja Word of Today

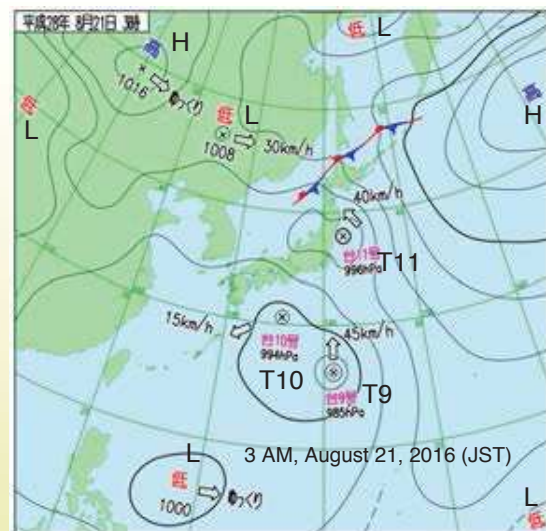
A Ninja was an agent who engaged in covert activities such as espionage, guerilla attacks and assassination in ancient Japan. Origin and history of Ninja are not known very well, however the Iga Ueno village you will visit today is considered the birthplace of the Ninja, where the art of the Ninja (Ninjutsu) had been secretly developed. For their secret art, people have seen Ninja as mysterious warriors and a lot of fiction stories have been created over time.



Typical style of Ninja in fiction stories

Today's Quiz

Three typhoons are approaching now the Japanese Islands (Typhoons are shown as T9 to T11 in the map). Guess the position that each typhoon will have tomorrow morning (08:00 JST August 22). Upload your plot on the FB page of “Chikyū Ninjya - ieso2016” today. Well supported forecasts will be appreciated; however, this quiz is not related to the medal competition.



Weather map on the web page of Japan Meteorological Agency



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