

The European Union Contest for Young Scientists starts today

para hacerse con el premio al mejor proyecto científico. Los ganadores se darán a conocer el día 18.

estos días la oportunidad de intercambiar conocimientos y vivir una inolvidable experiencia. El certamen es una iniciativa de la Comisión Europea en la que jóvenes de 32 países defenderán ante un jurado internacional un total de 80 proyectos inéditos, creados a partir de sus propias investigaciones y seleccionados previamente como ganadores en los respectivos certámenes

En el marco de la celebración del Año de la Ciencia, la 19ª edición de este concurso internacional de jóvenes talentos convertirá a Valencia en punto de encuentro de los científicos del futuro y en el escaparate mundial de sus novedosas investigaciones y proyectos. El encuentro reúne un total de 254 participantes, entre concursantes, acompañantes y

un completo programa cultural. Los proyectos presentados, que se adscriben a las más diversas áreas científicas, estarán expuestos en el Museo Principe Felipe de la Ciudad de las Artes y de las Ciencias, con entrada libre para todo aquel que desee acercarse a conocerlos.

Arranca el Certamen Europeo de Jóvenes Científicos

Valencia se convierte desde hoy y hasta el próximo día 19 en la sede del XIX Certamen Europeo de Jóvenes Científicos. Bajo el lema *Youth investigate for the future* (Los jóvenes investigar para el futuro), la Universitat de València organiza este encuentro en el que 121 estudiantes, con edades comprendidas entre los 15 y los 20 años, competirán

ants, accompanying persons, and national organisers, who will also enjoy a complete cultural programme.

From today to September 19th, Valencia is the venue of the 19th European Contest for Young Scientists. Under the motto *Youth investigate for the future*, Universitat de Valencia has organised a meeting with 121 student participants aged between 15 and 20. They will compete in order to win the prize to the best scientific project. The winners will be announced on the 18th. Until then, the most promising youths in the European scientific and technological scene but also from island, the US and China will have an opportunity to exchange knowledge and enjoy an unforgettable experience. The contest is an initiative by the European Commission in which young people from 32 countries will present a total of 80 unpublished projects to an international jury. The projects are their own research and have already won On the occasion of the Year of Science, the 19th edition of the international contest turns Valencia into a meeting point for future scientists and a world showcase full of innovative research and projects. Valencia is host to a total of 254 participants, including contest-

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Programme

Friday, 14th
September 2007
09.00-17.00

09.00-17.00
Arrivals/Llegadas. Hotel Aquarius
Setting up stands/Montage de
Muséum, Prince Felipe Science
Museum
Registration/Inscripción.
Prince Felipe Science
Museum

18.00-22.00
Visit and Welcome
Dinner/Visita y cena de bien-
venida. Valencia
Harbour/Puerto de Valencia

15th September
09.00-11.00
-Setting up stands, late arrivals registration/Montage of Stands, inscripciones ultimate hora. Prince Felipe Science Museum, Arquerías Hall

11.00-13.00
Opening Ceremony/Ceremonia de Apertura. Prince Felipe Science Museum

13.00-14.00
Lunch Reception/Comida y Recepción. Prince Felipe Science Museum

14.00
Project Exhibition
Opening/inauguración exposi-
ción de proyectos. Prince
Felipe Science Museum
14.00-17.00
Jury Rounds/Ronda jurado.



The first contestants arrive in Valencia

The participants of the European Union Contest for Young Scientists arrived in Valencia yesterday, with their luggage full of enthusiasm and all ready to enjoy a great experience with their fellows. After picking up their credentials, they went to the harbour and visited the new America's Cup facilities. This was their first contact with the hosting city of the competition. It kept raining all day, which made the scheduled walk impossible, but the participants enjoyed a bus tour to one of the most attractive areas in town. After the visit, they had a welcome dinner. Today, the young scientists will continue putting together their experiments at the Principe Felipe Museum, until 11h, when the opening ceremony will take place with the participation of the Rector of University of Valencia, Francisco Tomás; Emilio Barberá, regional secretary for Higher Education and Science; Johannes Klumbers, the representative of the European Commission and the Head of the Unit for Scientific Culture and Gender Issues; Santiago Grisolia, president of the Valencian Council for Culture; and Juan Eduardo Santón, the delegate for Innovation-Computing and Institutional Relations of the Council of Valencia. In the opening, the researcher Oscar Marín, member of the Alicante Neuroscience Institute, will give a lecture. In the evening, the contestants will go on a guided tour, which will come to an end with a paella.

Los primeros concursantes llegan a Valencia

Los participantes del Certamen Europeo de Jóvenes Científicos

Universitat de València hosts this great European competition for the first time but the five-century-old university has a long tradition and lasting ties with scientific research and is really sensitive to any event in this area, which is actually a strong focus for the University of Valencia. The institution has always supported research and its practical applications in a contribution to the welfare of society.

Standing by the young and their future is one of the university's foundations, as the creation of fairer, more developed activities such as a yearly social and benefit from quality materials.

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Es la primera vez que la Universitat de València acoge esta gran competición europea, pero la institución, creada hace más de cinco siglos, cuenta con una larga tradición y una amplia vinculación a la investigación científica, y una amplia vinculación a la investigación científica, y una amplia vinculación a la investigación científica.

La Universitat abre sus laboratorios a los jóvenes investigadores y a la investigación científica, y una amplia vinculación a la investigación científica.

Being aware of this potential, education to a large extent. Universitat encourages student motivation in research. On a yearly basis, the university labs open their door to pre-university students so that they can carry out projects and experiments, taking the theory learnt in school to the practice. University students also do practical work and benefit from quality materials.

Science, with activities inside and outside university.

Garden, or the Week of Science, with activities inside and outside university.

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University of Young Researchers

La Universitat abre
sus laboratorios a
sol y a la inversión

It is my pleasure to welcome the participants of the 19th Eu-
ropean Union Contest for
Young Scientists to Valencia,
Spain. This event has special
relevance in 2007 when the
Treaty of Rome, which estab-
lished the European Commu-
nity, celebrates its 50th anniver-
sary.

It is also timely that the Contest
is held in Valencia in 2007
when our city is the host of im-
portant international cultural
events. This fact will provide a
unique opportunity to the Eu-
ropean Contest for Young Scientists,
with an unparalleled impact due
to media presence and public.
The Universitat de Valencia,
with over 500 years of exis-
tence, is the oldest and biggest
University of our Region, with
over 50 000 students and
more than a hundred depart-
ments as well as 25 Research
institutes. It offers 66 graduate
degrees and 141 doctoral and
master programs, reflecting
high quality in both teaching
and research.

I would like to thank all those
who contribute to the success
of the 19th EU Contest for

Welcome from the Rector

Young Scientists and wish all the best to its participants. Valencia is ready to offer you an unforgettable experience!

Francisco Tomás Vert, Rector
of the Universitat de València

Bienvenida del
Rector

Es un placer dar la bienvenida a Valencia a los participantes del XIX Certamen Europeo de Jóvenes Científicos. Este evento tiene especial relevancia en 2007, cuando el Tratado de Roma, que estableció la Comunidad Europea, celebra su 50 aniversario. Es también oportuno que el concurso se celebre en Valencia en 2007, cuando nuestra ciudad acoge importantes eventos culturales a nivel internacional. Este hecho proporciona una oportunidad única al Certamen Europeo de Jóvenes Científicos, con un impacto sin precedentes debido a la presencia de medios y público. La Universitat de Valencia, con más de 500 años de existencia, es la más antigua y la más

grande Universidad de nuestra Comunidad, con más de 50.000 estudiantes y más de 25 institutos de investigación. Ofrece 66 licenciaturas y 141 programas de doctorado y máster, reflejando una gran calidad tanto en enseñanza como en investigación. Me gustaría dar las gracias a

Francisco Tomás Vert, Rector
de la Universitat de València

