We are very excited to announce the annual Technion Competitive Programming Contest. Please read the regulations carefully and make sure you are prepared.

1. The competition will be held on June 5th 10:00-15:00 in the computer farm of Taub building. Participants are required to arrive at 9:30. The doors will close at 9:45, and late participants will not be allowed to compete. Refreshments will be provided.

2. Each team will use a single workstation. No alterations to the station will be allowed (such as bringing a laptop, USB thumb drive, altering the software, etc). C/C++ will be the only acceptable submission language. C++ will be compiled using the following command line:
   
   g++ -x c++ -Wall -O2 -static -std=gnu++11

3. No electronic devices are permitted (this includes, but is not limited to, cell phones, digital cameras, and mp3 players or any device with a CPU), and internet will be disconnected. Access to any internet website, email, messaging services, or any other online service is forbidden. Bags will be left at the front of the class, with cell-phones turned-off inside.

4. Each team will be permitted to bring up to 25 pages of notes (=12.5 double sided sheets, or 25 one-sided sheets), font size greater or equal to 8. The printed materials may contain anything you like so long as it is within the page limit. There will also be access to a local copy of CPP+STL reference, accessible from the domjudge interface.

5. You may bring additional empty pages and pens. You are also encouraged to bring a team mascot (e.g. a plush toy or a funny hat).
6. Clarifications to the problems may be sent out during the competition via the judge system interface. The teams are responsible for looking at these clarifications occasionally. You may also ask questions and get answers via this interface.

7. Teams are ranked in descending order according to the amount of problems solved. Teams who solve the same number of problems are ranked in ascending order by total time. The total time is the sum of the time consumed for each problem solved. The time consumed for a solved problem is the time elapsed from the beginning of the contest to the submittal of the accepted run plus 20 penalty minutes for every rejected run for that problem regardless of submittal time. There is no time consumed for a problem that was not solved.

8. The scoreboard will freeze one hour before the end of the competition, meaning that the teams will only be able to view their own scores, and the rest of the scores will appear frozen. The board will be unfrozen 15 minutes after the competition ends.

9. A team may be disqualified by the contest director for any activity that jeopardizes the contest. Violation of the contest regulations may result in expulsion from the competition or from the course altogether, and may result in disciplinary actions.

10. The winning eligible team will be invited to represent the Technion in the international ICPC competition in Paris!

11. An eligible team to the international competition must meet all of the following:

✓ The team is comprised of three Technion students.
✓ All team members are able to attend the competition that will be held in Paris on November 26th.
✓ All team members are eligible for the international competition according to the ICPC rules. In short, students are eligible if they meet at least one of the following:
  ➢ Started the studies at 2013 or later
  ➢ Born in 1994 or later (1991 if served in the army)

May we have a successful and enjoyable competition! ☺