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Society for Science & the Public Announces Sites for World's Largest International High School Science Competitions Through 2019

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Society for Science & the Public (SSP) today announced Los Angeles, Pittsburgh, and Phoenix as host cities from 2011 to 2019 for the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair, a program of SSP.

The Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (Intel ISEF) is the world's largest international pre-college science competition. Exclusively for students in grades 9–12, the Intel ISEF is the most prestigious forum for more than 1,500 high school students from over 50 countries to showcase independent research and compete for nearly \$4 million in awards.

Each selected city, chosen from an international pool of eligible sites, will host the Intel ISEF three times:

May 8-13, 2011 – Los Angeles
May 13-18, 2012 – Pittsburgh
May 12-17, 2013 – Phoenix
May 11-16, 2014 – Los Angeles
May 10-15, 2015 – Pittsburgh

May 8-13, 2016 – Phoenix
May 14-19, 2017 – Los Angeles
May 13-18, 2018 – Pittsburgh
May 12-17, 2019 – Phoenix

In addition to the direct impact of the Intel ISEF on each city—with an estimated 5,000 registrants, including competing students and PhD level judges—the event will provide a unique opportunity for local residents to interact with top young science researchers and innovators from around the globe.

“In selecting these cities, Society for Science & the Public and Intel are honored to build on their rich traditions as leaders in science and technology. Working on an ongoing basis with local science communities in Los Angeles, Pittsburgh, and Phoenix will enable us to harness their resources—and the inspiration of the Intel ISEF—to promote science education and advance independent student research locally and globally. As hosts of the Intel ISEF, these cities will unite the world's top young scientists, showcasing the quality and depth of student research to advance the future of our planet and our society.” said Elizabeth Marincola, president of Society for Science & the Public.

Society for Science & the Public, a nonprofit organization dedicated to public engagement in scientific research and education, owns and has administered the International Science and Engineering Fair since its inception in 1950. Each year, millions of students worldwide compete in local and school-sponsored science fairs; the winners of these events go on to participate in Intel ISEF-affiliated national, regional, and state fairs from which the best win the opportunity to attend the Intel ISEF.

SSP has received generous support from Intel for this program since 1998 and is honored to have recently extended its partnership with Intel as lead sponsor of the Intel ISEF through 2019.

To learn more about the organization and its programs and publications, visit www.societyforscience.org.

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