

Hi Everyone,

My name is Katalin Juhász (just call me simply *Kati*), and I'm going to be in charge of the students from Kyrgyzstan. I have just finished my PhD-education in the Doctoral Program of Modern English and American Literature at ELTE University in Budapest. I hold two MA degrees: in English and in Russian Literature/Linguistics.

People call me a “globe trotter”, because most of the time I'm either “on the road,” or preparing for a trip, or have just arrived from somewhere. This cosmopolitan way of life all started when I was about your age and was awarded a scholarship to a United World College in Hong Kong, to spend 2 years in the liveliest and loveliest community, consisting of people from 70 countries of the world. I think that explains why I am so so excited about the upcoming IChO, and seeing you in Hungary!

I speak a few languages at varying levels: you can freely talk to me in Hungarian (will you?), English, Russian and French, but be careful with my fading Chinese, because I might not get your jokes any longer... I do know some Ancient Greek too, but in order to check that, you would need to resurrect Socrates.

What about my hobbies? Luckily, my work is my hobby too: literature, writing, reading, teaching, and discovering new countries on various scholarships. In my free time (which I don't have but always *make*) I love hiking, biking, dancing, going to cafés, pubs, theatre, concerts, and talking with my friends. (I'm a born chatter-box.) Last but not least, my dearest hobby, my element of life, my “oxygen” is running: I have done quite a few half-marathons and marathons, so you are all welcome to join me in my morning (or evening) runs!

I wish you a fruitful preparation, and see you soon!

Kati

