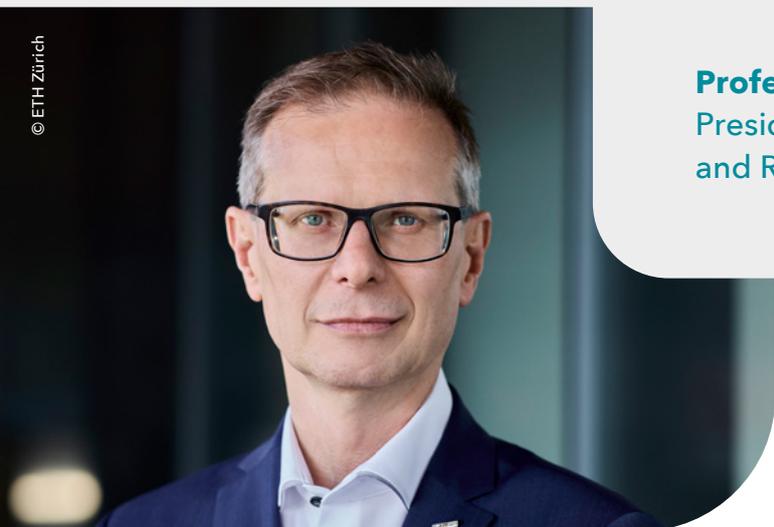


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Hi, I am Tina Tube





Professor Günther Dissertori
President of the IChO 2023
and Rector of ETH Zurich

Finding Solutions together

We are very excited to host the 55th International Chemistry Olympiad 2023 in Zurich at ETH. After more than 30 years of attending International Chemistry Olympiads, Switzerland hosts this exciting event next year for the first time.

Finding Solutions will be the main theme of IChO 2023.

Being a lecturer myself, I am aware of the power of knowledge and a believer in sharing information and teamwork and to remain curious and passionate in finding solutions to the issues that are affecting our world. Passion, innovation, creativity, team spirit and most of all enthusiasm for chemistry will bring the world's best chemistry talents together. But apart from all the hard work at the competition, we also will have fun and entertainment.

«We remain curious and passionate in finding solutions to the issues that are affecting our world.»

Most of all, the participation in an IChO influences everyone for a lifetime and can be groundbreaking for a further career. After long years of online Olympiads due to demanding times, we hope we will meet and greet you all in person in Zurich.

As the President of the IChO 2023 and Rector of ETH I look forward to welcoming all the young students, mentors, observers and guests for a wonderful time of exchange and inspiration.

Stay tuned! What an honour - the IChO comes to Zurich! Together with my colleague Earl we will accompany you through the event. And communicate regularly on IChO 2023's social media channels.



Professor Wendelin J. Stark
Head of Scientific Committee,
IChO 2023



Proud to host the IChO 2023

Switzerland is one of the most important locations for the brightest minds in the world. As a professor of chemistry and applied biosciences, I am therefore particularly pleased to welcome the most brilliant chemistry talents of the future at ETH Zurich. Among other things, here we foster innovation: we want to attract inventors and find novel impactful solutions to improve our everyday lives.

As a three-time IChO participant, I am particularly proud to host the International Chemistry Olympiad. The IChO is an event that motivates and inspires. Par-

ticipation in an IChO leaves a long-term mark and leads to completely different top performances in one's later academic and professional career.

As the Head of Scientific Committee, I am looking forward to welcoming you at ETH Zurich and to guiding you through your special days.

I am convinced that the spirit of the International Chemistry Olympiad will motivate everyone to deliver top performances. Let's master the competition together!

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Languages

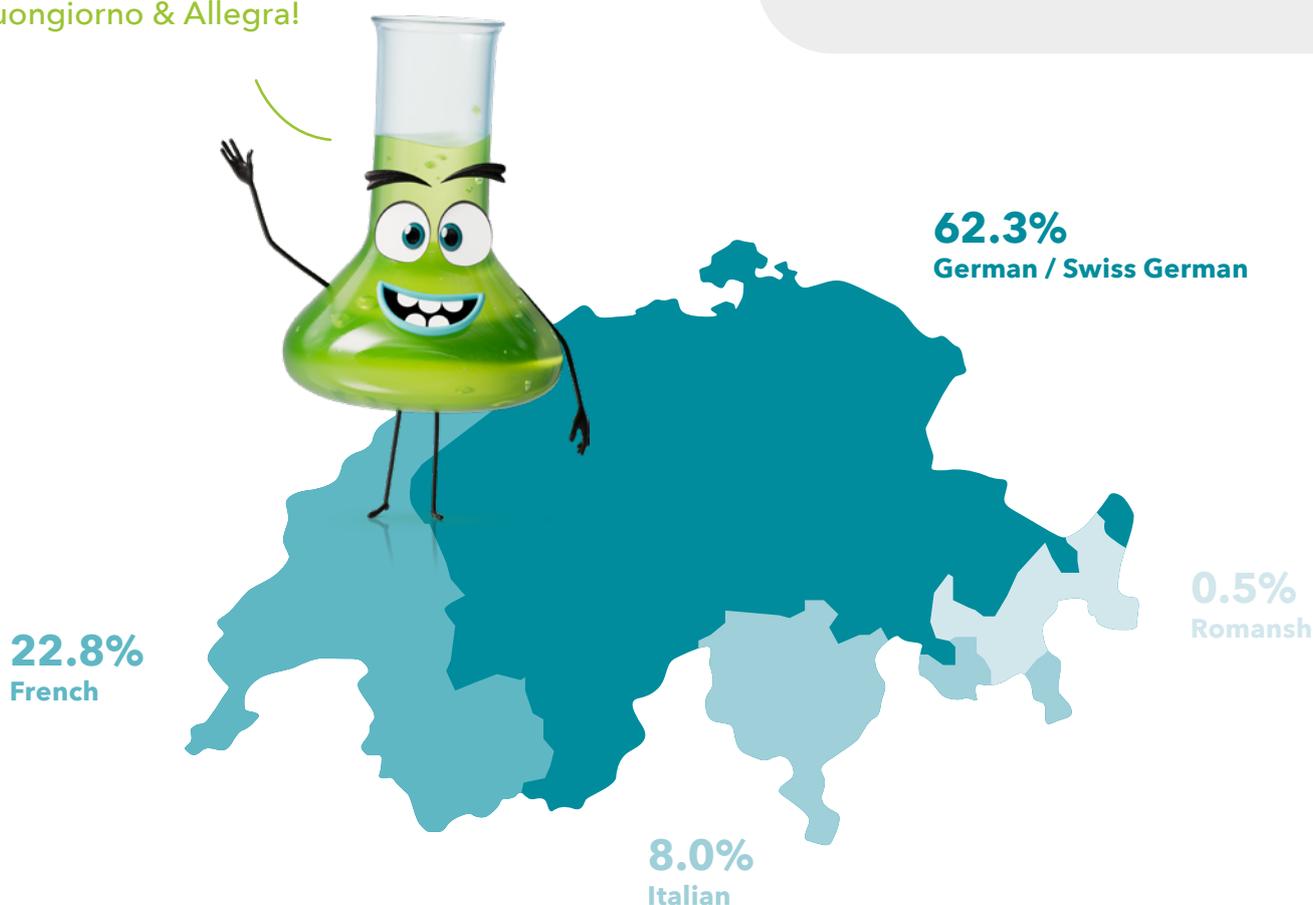
Multilingualism is an integral part of Switzerland's national identity.

Grüezi, Bonjour,
Buongiorno & Allegra!

4 Languages

Switzerland has four national languages: German, French, Italian and Romansh - a multilingualism enshrined in law and cultivated in society. German is the most spoken. Nearly two thirds of people speak another language at least once a week.

source: Language (admin.ch), 2020



Useful phrases

in the 4 regions of Switzerland

	Hello	Goodbye	Thank you very much
Swiss German	Grüezi	Uf widerluege / Ade	Vile dank / Merci
French	Bonjour	Au revoir	Merci beaucoup
Italian	Buongiorno	Arrivederci	Grazie mille
Romansh	Allegra	A revair	Grazia fich

Finding Solutions



Finding solutions is the main theme of IChO 2023. The wordplay is intentional. On one hand, a solution in chemistry is a homogeneous mixture consisting of two or more chemically pure substances. On the other hand, a solution is what is needed to accomplish a task or problem.

The IChO 2023 has both goals in mind. No chemistry competition would be possible without the help of solutions, of solutes and solvents. Finding the optimal approach to the issues that affect our world is key. With the support and innovation of passionate and dedicated young chemistry talents it will be possible to improve our quality of life and meet the challenges of our time and of the generations to come.

The Venue - ETH Zurich at a Glance

Freedom and individual responsibility, entrepreneurial spirit and open-mindedness: ETH Zurich (ETH) stands on a bedrock of true Swiss values. Our university for science and technology dates back to the year 1855, when the founders of modern-day Switzerland created it as a centre of innovation and knowledge.

At ETH, students discover an ideal environment for independent thinking and researchers a climate which inspires top performance. Situated in the heart of Europe, yet forging connections all over the world, ETH Zurich is pioneering effective solutions to the global challenges of today and tomorrow.

Based chiefly in Zurich, ETH operates one campus in the Hönggerberg district and another in the city centre. The main site is complemented by strategically selected "external sites" in the Canton of Zurich, in Switzerland and in Singapore.

In international rankings, ETH regularly features as one of the best universities in the world and the leading university in continental Europe. When the rankings are differentiated by specialist areas, ETH is in the first twelve for Science and Engineering in the THE and QS listings.

ETH Zurich is home to many high-calibre scientists working diligently in their specialist fields. The numerous honours and awards that ETH researchers receive for their scientific work shows just how successful they are. Among the most prestigious prizes ETH members have received are 22 Nobel Prizes, two Fields Medals, three Pritzker Prizes and a Turing Award.

We are all very proud to host the International Chemistry Olympiad 2023 in Switzerland and we are looking forward to welcoming you in Zurich.



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