

## Science on the Move 2013

### SimplyScience.ch School Class Competition

#### PROJECT SUMMARY

##### Introduction

Modern biology is developing at a breath taking pace. SimplyScience.ch, the website for natural sciences and technology, is therefore sending the national school class competition, “Science on the Move” into a second round.

All competition activities will be in **English** - the language in which scientists communicate and publish around the globe.

##### Objective

This competition by SimplyScience.ch provides an entire public school class at secondary level (gymnasium) the opportunity to demonstrate their interest and commitment in the field of biology as a team and to pit themselves against other classes in Switzerland. The 1st prize to be won is a science day in Basel and a fascinating science week for the entire class in California.

##### Target audience

School classes at secondary level (gymnasium), 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> grade. Teachers are permitted to provide logistic support to their students. Assistance by teachers in solving the tasks is not permitted.

##### Structure

Phase 1: Challenge - Over the course of five weeks, one task in the field of biology will be issued. It will include a practical segment. The pupils' own hypotheses are examined by means of tasks they perform by themselves, the results of which are then discussed. Their results and input are returned by email. The best 25 classes will reach round two of phase 1 and will have to perform a second task in the field of biochemistry. The top 10 classes will reach the final.

Phase 2: Final Event - Each of the top 10 ranked classes will be given 5 minutes for a live presentation.

The objective of the presentation will be to convey and link their own experiences during the first part of the competition as imaginatively and convincingly as possible on the subject of “Science on the Move”.

A jury consisting of established experts from science and education will judge the Final presentation and select the winning class on the basis of their performance both in the lab and on stage.

## Timeline

Competition information posted on [SimplyScience.ch](http://SimplyScience.ch) in November, 2012

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| Application deadline ( <b>Postponed from January 18, 2013!</b> ): | <b>NEW: January 31, 2013</b> |
| Selection of participating classes                                | <b>February 1-8, 2013</b>    |
| Publication Task 1:   | February 25, 2013            |
| Publication Task 2:   | April 15, 2013               |
| Announcement of the top 10 classes                                | May 24, 2013                 |
| Final presentation and selection of winners                       | June 21, 2013                |
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| Trip to California (pupils + 1 teacher)                           | September 7-14, 2013         |

## Additional

### Terms & Conditions

Eligible for the competition are Swiss residents. Application to the competition is only possible together with fellow students as whole class. Only classes enrolled in the 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> school year at a Swiss public school are eligible for the competition. Employees of SimplyScience, members of the jury or the project team, as well as their relatives, are not eligible for the competition. If a non-eligible person is affiliated with an applicant school, this will lead to the non-eligibility of the whole school.

Any recourse to courts of law is excluded.

There will be no correspondence concerning the competition. Winning classes will be informed directly by the SimplyScience team.

The exchange of prizes for cash or any other prize is not possible.

SimplyScience is allowed to publish all photos and videos received or taken in the frame of the competition for publication in any print or electronic media.

By applying for this competition, each applying person agrees to the terms and conditions stated above.