FAUXPERT THE FAUX EXPERT

It is a truth universally acknowledged that a single man in possession of a good(or bad) scientific theory, must be in want of evidence to prove his theory. As creative as it is, the human mind has come up with crazy ideas over the centuries. Crazier ideas have been found to prove these ideas. What this has led to, ultimately, is an influx of theories that are dumb at their best, and outrageous at their worst. Countless flat earthers roam the Earth, refusing to believe facts even when presented with facts. They provide scientific evidence that is either misguided, half-baked, or both.

Inquivesta presents Fauxpert, an event that aims to blend your creativity with your scientific knowledge. The "faux expert" as the tagline says, tests your ability to come up with ingenious ideas to prove theories that are "bogus" or dumb. The event is open for students belonging to grades 11 and 12, and to first and second-year undergraduate students. Attached below is a manual detailing the rules of the event. Fill out the registration form given below to participate:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeSJsZd9kYuDcQhesvVxtuPG3DA2jLNyAd TveyBOyJCof-ndg/viewform?usp=sf link

PRELIMINARY EVENT

Rules :

- 1) Out of the following 3 topics, one can be chosen, and a presentation containing less than 20 slides needs to be sent via email before the 26th of March:
 - a) There are time travelers among us
 - b) Fossils aren't real
 - c) The earth is actually hollow
- 2) Marks will be awarded on the basis of how scientific your theories are. The focus will be on clarity and presentation.
- 3) Each team will be given a unique code through mail when they fill out the registration form. The names of the PDFs they send must be this code, and the subject of their emails must also be the same code.
 - 4) The best of 8 will be chosen for the finals.

Last date of submission of report: 25th March 2023

Result of prelims: 28th March 2023

FINAL ROUND

Rules :

- 1) There is going to be a registration fee for this round. The selected participants must pay Rs 50 to enter the final round.
- 2) The topic of the final round will be given to the 8 selected teams 3 days before the actual event which will be conducted on the IISER Kolkata campus.
- 3) A presentation may be prepared, but you will have to present your ideas on stage verbally, within a time limit of 5 minutes.
- 4) Points will be awarded on the basis of your presentation on stage, how scientific the theories presented are, and how logical the presentation is.
- 5) The results will be declared on the same day.

Last Date of payment of registration fees for the selected teams: 30th March 2023

Date of Final Round: 1st April 2023

Time of Final Round: 11 AM - 1 PM

For all we know, you might be the next Einstein! Gear up, folks!