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GENESIS OF KNOWLEDGE



Dr. Thongchai Chewprecha, Principal Emeritus

01: On the Origin of ISSF

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ISSF

Abbreviated from International Students' Science Fair, ISSF is one of the science events well-known among science schools around the world. It is noted to have contributed countless far-reaching impacts globally. Now, its network consists of several science schools from more than 20 countries. However, little do people know about the story behind this success ...



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Main Building at Night. (Photo by Settanant Suangburanakul)

Tracing back to the origin of ISSF, Principal Emeritus of Kamnoetvidya Science Academy (KVIS), Dr. Thongchai Chewprecha, told this momentous story. In 2004, Australian Science and Mathematics School in Adelaide of Australia hosted a scientific event and invited administrators from three schools to discuss a collaboration to organize science events. The three schools consist of: Busan Science Academy, currently known as Korea Science Academy of KAIST from South Korea, Ritsumeikan Junior High School and Senior High School from Japan, and Mahidol Wittayanusorn School from Thailand. This results in their cooperation and further recommendations to arrange scientific activities, including scientific journal publications of students' research, exchange programs for students and teachers, research collaborations, and international students' science fairs. Miraculously, the first international science fair was hosted by Mahidol Wittayanusorn School when Dr. Thongchai Chewprecha was the school principal.

Since the first ISSF in 2005, hosted in Thailand, the fair has been continuously organized every year by various science schools around the world, highlighting its remarkable influence in science education. And next month, in January 2020, it will be hosted in Thailand again.

It is truly an honor for KVIS to host ISSF 2020. Not only will this be a great chance for the school to welcome students, teachers, and school administrators from science schools around the world, but it will also be an opportunity for KVIS students to develop well-rounded abilities.

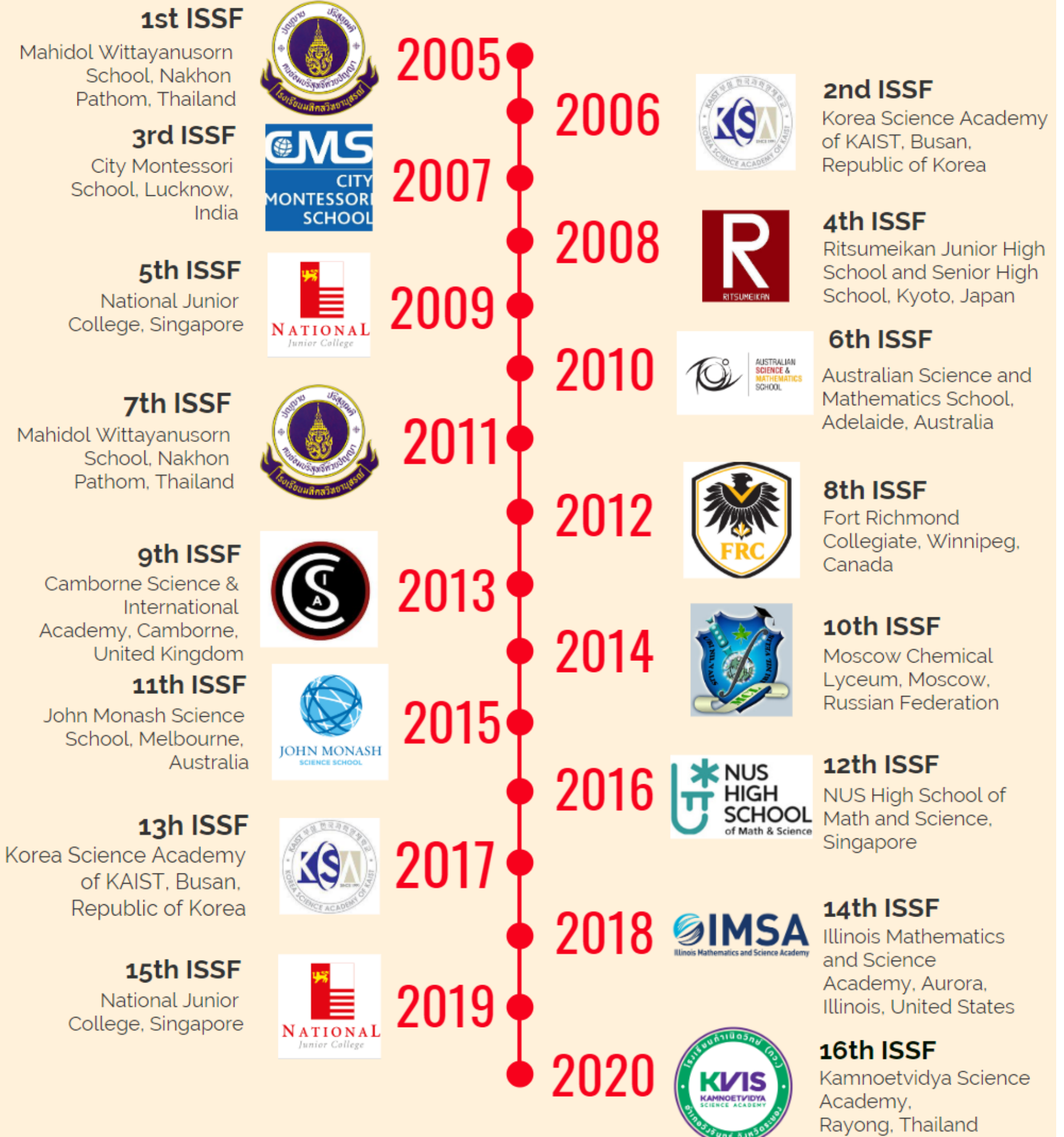
To get to know more about ISSF, the following timeline shows the chronological order of the hosting schools for ISSF.

Coming article: "Student Science Fair: Its Roles and Importance"

** The title was inspired by the ground-breaking work of a great biologist, Charles Robert Darwin, *On the Origin of Species*. **

TIMELINE

International Students' Science Fair



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Student_Science_Fair

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