## **DTU Students Gain High Achievements in the 2013 National Student Physics Olympiad**

DTU students confirmed their competitive skills by winning three second prizes, two third prizes and a third-place delegation award at the 16<sup>th</sup> National Students Physics Olympiad.



The DTU 16<sup>th</sup> National Students Physics Olympiad Team

The 16<sup>th</sup> National Students Physics Olympiad (SPhO) took place from the 25-28<sup>th</sup> April, with 31 teams from national universities and colleges. 179 students competed in three sections: Multiple Choice, Exercise Solution and Practice. The competition was organized by MOET and the Vietnam Physics Association at the Hanoi University of Mining and Geology.

The DTU team, led by Mr. Nguyen Phuoc The and Mr. Huynh Ngoc Toan did well, inspired by DTU's 19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. In particular, Mr. Pham Quang Trung of K17CSU-XDD, Mr. Le Tan Hoang of K17XDD2 and Mr. Nguyen Chau Thanh of K18 CSU-XDD excelled in the Multiple Choice section to win second prizes, while Mr. Pham Quoc Hoang of K17XDD1 and Mr. Nguyen Thanh An of K17 XDD1 received third prizes in the Practice section. The organizers also awarded a third-place delegation prize to the DTU team.



DTU students receive certificates of merits at the closing ceremony

Mr. Nguyen Phuoc The, a DTU lecturer who has spent time training the DTU team said: "We are very proud of our achievements. The results demonstrate the hard work that the DTU faculty and students have completed to reach new heights with other Vietnamese universities to improve the teaching of physics and technology. It is also an honor for DTU to be the only private university to compete and gain such high achievements in this year's competition".

First held in 1997, the annual National Student Physics Olympiad is a competition for dedicated Physics students from around the country to compete with each other. According to the organizers, there has been a significant increase in the number of contestants in recent years, which indicates the strong support that university provosts have provided and the passion of their students.

In previous years, DTU students have achieved high results in other national competitions. In the 2013 National Student Mathematics Olympiad they won first and third prizes for Analysis and second and third prizes for Algebra. Four DTU teams reached the final six in the Central Robocon competition, to compete in the national finals in May. DTU also won the 7<sup>th</sup> Huda Cup Football Tournament in Danang. These early successes demonstrate the remarkable efforts of the DTU faculty and staff in improving educational quality to reach new goals.

Rotating banners of the 2014 17<sup>th</sup> National Student Physics Olympiad 2014 were given to Saigon University, with hopes of even greater achievements. The DTU team is ready to do even better next time.

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