Address by the Mayor of Limassol at the 23rd Balkan Mathematical Olympiad for students under 15.5 years old - JBMO 2019 216/2019 on 21 June 2019 at the Cultural Center "Panos Solomonidis"

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Municipality of Limassol I would like to welcome you all to the Junior Balkan Mathematical Olympiad 2019 for students under the age of 15.5, which is organized in our city. A special welcome is extended to our friends, students and teachers who have traveled from abroad to take part in this important and prestigious event.

I would like to congratulate the Cypriot Mathematical Society for hosting such an event, and for their contribution in the education of our youngsters in general.

The Balkan mathematical Olympiads help to achieve multiple goals. These meetings give the opportunity for the exchange of ideas on the subject of mathematics, and they support talented students in mathematics, who have the opportunity to express and develop their talent. At the same time these Olympiads built strong bonds of friendship and understanding between our youth, the most sensitive piece of the countries of the Balkans and of Southeast Europe.

Mathematics and mathematical thinking have played an important role in the history and progress of mankind. That is why it is imperative that efforts continue for the promotion of learning of Mathematics and the development of future Mathematicians. It's these mathematicians who will contribute through their creativity, research and innovation, towards technological progress and development all over the world.

I wish you every success in the proceedings of the Olympiad.