



**The Scottish European Educational Trust is delighted to announce that registration is now open for schools wishing to participate in Euroquiz 2020!**

### **Euroquiz Heats 2020 - Information for Schools**

Euroquiz is an annual project open to all P6 pupils across Scotland, which sees teams of four working together to broaden their knowledge of Europe and the wider world. Subjects covered include languages, history, geography, culture and European affairs. Heats take place in every local authority from January to March 2020, with the winning teams from all areas going forward to the National Euroquiz Final held in the Debating Chamber of the Scottish Parliament in May 2020.

Euroquiz creates an enthusiasm for learning, developing pupils' ability to work in teams and communicate effectively, ultimately increasing their confidence and range of core skills. Euroquiz is run by the Scottish European Educational Trust (SEET) and heats are organised in collaboration with each local authority area. SEET works alongside local authorities and schools by providing teachers with guidance and resources to support the development of confident language learners under 1+2 and outward looking engaged citizens through LfS.

#### **How to enter:**

- Each school may enter one team of four contestants. Substitutes may attend the heat but will only be allowed to take part if one of the team members has to withdraw.
- To enter your team, please complete the Registration Form for schools and return to your local authority Euroquiz organiser. Please get in touch with SEET or your local organiser if you have any queries.
- There will be no charge for entering Euroquiz.
- Teachers will be required to help with marking during the heat.
- Travel costs to the heat will need to be covered by the school or local authority.
- Support may be available from the Scottish European Educational Trust towards the travel costs for the winning teams attending the final in Edinburgh.

#### **Preparing your team:**

• A Resources Sheet is attached. Resources are all available to access for free online and can be downloaded. In the past we have been able to offer free hard copies to schools via the European Commission Office in Scotland. However, this office has now closed and we are working hard to find an alternative solution.

<http://seet.org.uk/euroquiz/resources.php>

- Sample questions from last year's heats and final are available on the Euroquiz Resources page of the SEET website to help prepare your team.

- The majority of the questions in the heats will be taken from the materials and recommended websites listed on the Resources Sheet, or from those of the Euroquiz Resources page of the SEET website:

<http://www.seet.org.uk/euroquiz/resources.php>

- At the heat, questions will be presented on PowerPoint, and pupils will be asked to write down their team answers.

- Please make sure that you have permission for photographs of your heat (some of which may appear on the SEET website or social media). If there are any pupils who do not have permission, please inform the quiz organiser in advance of the heat.

- We encourage Euroquiz clubs to take place in schools to allow past participants to work alongside younger learners. This enables learners to participate in or lead on the Euroquiz project through curricular or extra-curricular activities – for example, peer or cross-phase learning. Having a whole school approach is also important in recognising the achievement of pupils taking part.

### The Euroquiz heat – what to expect:

- All questions in the heats are to be answered by the team collectively. They may want to nominate one member to write down the answers.

- **NEW:** There will be 4 rounds for all participants and no final Round 5 for the top two teams. We will be including a video element to the language listening questions rather than audio only. We will also be introducing a short reading element to enhance the language round. Please see below for further details:

- **Round 1 Geography & History (15 questions)**

Questions may include topics such as flags, borders, geographical features, landmarks, notable historical events and people.

- **Round 2 Languages (15 questions)**

The questions in the language round will feature German, Spanish, Italian and French.

There will be 10 listening comprehension questions. These will be shown in video format this year (rather than audio only) to better represent a real life conversation.

There will also be a short reading comprehension text followed by 5 questions. This is a new addition to the language round this year to enhance the experience of participants by incorporating more skills.

Language questions are drawn up together with Education Scotland and SCILT (Scotland's National Centre for Languages) to support the continuing development of 1+2 in primary schools. Materials will be recorded by native speakers from Heriot Watt University.

- **Round 3 Understanding Europe: Culture and European Affairs (15 questions)**

These questions may include the names of important people and places, basic information about political representation and significant events. Culture questions may include art, gastronomy, traditions, music and will also give pupils an opportunity to learn about similarities and differences between different countries.

- **Round 4 General Knowledge (15 questions)**

These questions will include a compilation of topics from other rounds. More general topics may feature here, including sport, science, currencies and travel.

Following feedback regarding scoring and format from 2018-19, there will no longer be a final round for the top two teams. All scores from Rounds 1-4 will be used to identify a winning team and runner up. The winning team will be presented with a trophy and will be invited to attend the final in Edinburgh. Each participant will get a pen and a certificate.

Tiebreakers will be available if necessary.

**Good luck preparing your team!**