

## ISWinT 2024: Shine Your Own Light

- Timișoara will host ISWinT (International Student Week in Timișoara), an intercultural and educational festival organized by volunteers from the Liga AC

Timișoara, Romania (July 22 to July 31, 2024) Liga AC, a student's NGO, will organize ISWinT (International Student Week in Timișoara), an intercultural and educational festival. The event is dedicated to students aged between 18 and 30, enrolled at any university worldwide.

The theme of this year's edition, which is "Shine Your Own Light" not only serves as an anthem for self-confidence but is also symbolically linked to the element of "light" and simultaneously tied to Timișoara's history. 2024 marks 140 years since Timișoara became the first electrically illuminated city in Europe. Moreover, this edition marks the 30th anniversary of ISWinT, and the theme will be intertwining the festival's celebration with the commemoration of the host city of this remarkable event.

At the heart of this project lies the ISWinT Workshops, where participants will develop skills to address various issues in their communities and will gain a profound understanding of the socio-political and economic context in which we live. These workshops will explore diverse topics of global interest, drawing from public policies developed within international organizations such as the UN, UNICEF, or the EU.

The festival opens its doors to the public with the ISWinT Parade and Concert, marking two opportunities for citizens of Timișoara to join the international students in celebrating multiculturalism. The Parade represents the most-awaited activity of the festival and it turns the city streets into a colorful scene, where the international students are waving flags from their countries and communities. The atmosphere is filled with songs that capture the spirit of today's youth, creating a joyful spectacle that highlights diversity. This excitement then continues into the ISWinT Concert, an annual event that introduces different Romanian artists to both local and international audiences.

Liga AC has been organizing this festival since 1994, which makes this year's edition its 30 year anniversary. Throughout the years it has been constantly improving, making better and better editions.

For detailed information about ISWiT 2024, visit the festival's Website (<https://iswint.ro/>), follow their updates on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/iswint.ro>), and explore captivating moments on Instagram (<https://www.instagram.com/iswint.ro/>).

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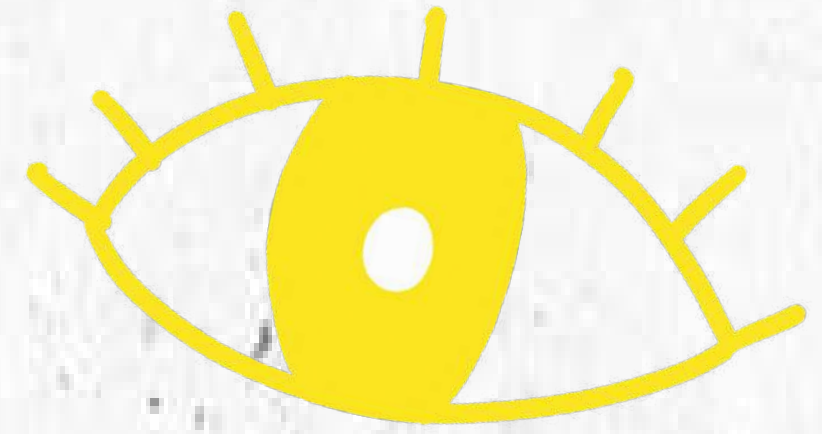
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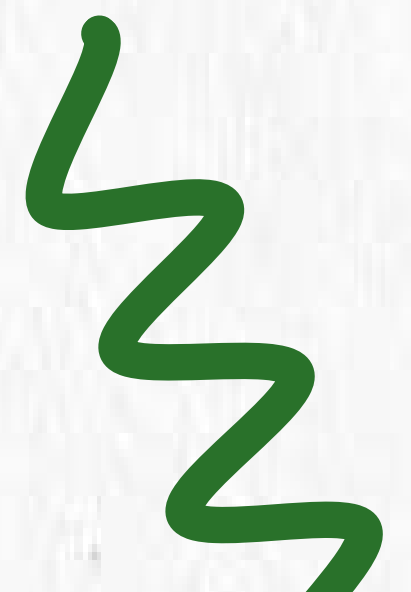
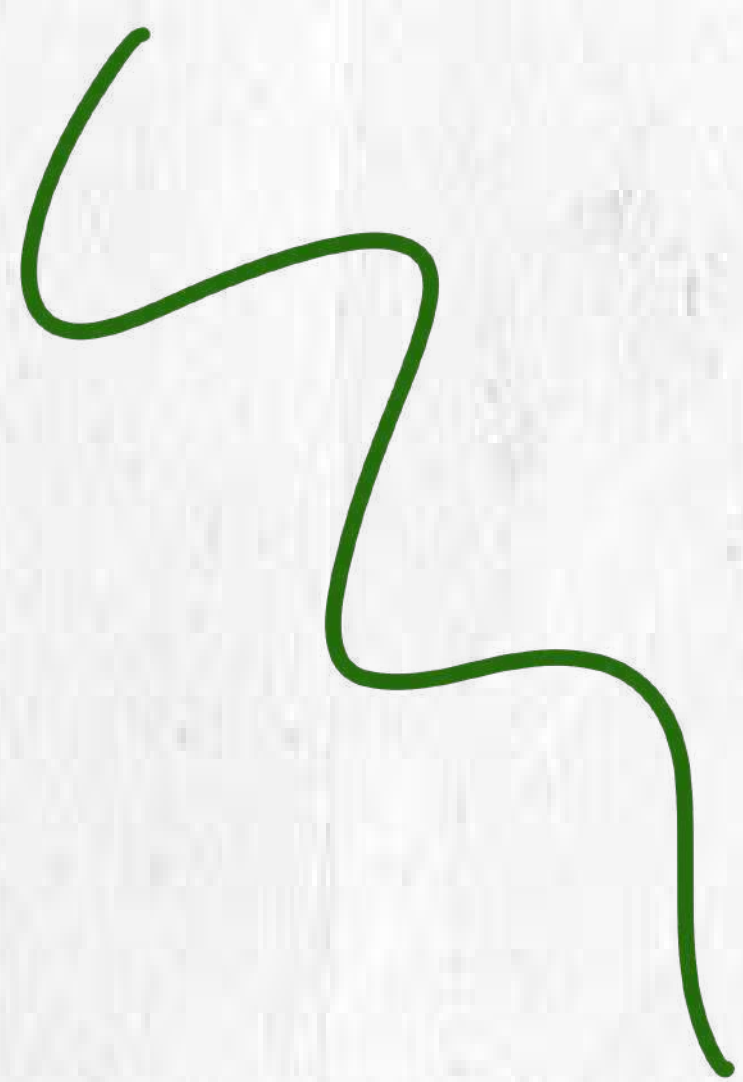


# iswint

**30th edition**

22 - 31 July 2024

 Timișoara, Romania



# Project organized by Liga AC

**The League of Students from the Faculty of Automation and Computers (Liga AC)** is an organization that represents the interests of students from the **Faculty of Automation and Computers**. Founded in **1990**, it has continuously developed, currently organizing projects such as UniHack, Liga AC LABS, iTEC, Campus Creativ, and ISWinT.

With an annual impact of **over 2000 beneficiaries**, the organization has become a relevant factor over the years in supporting and promoting the interests of students, providing them with a valuable platform for personal and professional development.



Liga AC



# A festival dedicated to students

**International Student Week in Timișoara (ISWinT)** is an intercultural educational festival organized by the **League of Students from the Faculty of Automation and Computers (Liga AC)**, with the support of the **Politehnica University of Timișoara**.

The festival has been active since **1994**, making it the oldest and largest project of the organization, and it is dedicated to **students aged between 18 and 30 years**, enrolled at any university worldwide.

**The aim of ISWinT** is to educate young people to take action and make their voices heard through the changes they bring to the communities they are part of.





ISWinT  
traditional  
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# International Night

This represents a traditional ISWinT activity, where **each participating country** will have a table prepared with food and drinks specific to their region, allowing curious individuals to come and taste, experience, and learn a small part of that **culture**. After the tastings, there will be **artistic performances from different countries**, including songs, dances, poetry, and musical instruments.



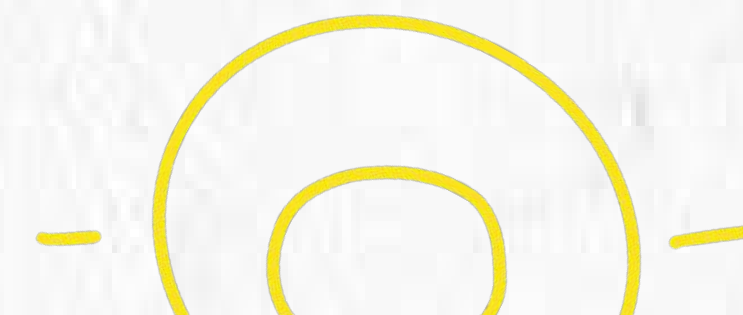


# Romanian Night

At this activity, participants have the opportunity to explore and discover **various Romanian traditions**, including holidays and childhood games. The atmosphere is designed to resemble that of a traditional **Romanian wedding**: from specific foods and drinks to artistic moments involving folk songs and dances.



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# ISWinT Parade



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It represents the **peak of the festival**, emphasizing the celebration of multiculturalism, diversity, and youth spirit. **On the streets of Timișoara**, participants will wave flags representing their countries or communities, singing and dancing to songs that reflect contemporary youth culture, in a sign of celebrating multiculturalism.

**This is a public event**, open to a wide audience, and is followed each year by a concert aimed at promoting various Romanian artists to both international and local audiences.

**In the past 2 years**, the artist **Dragoș Moldovan**, winner of the 2019 edition of 'The Voice Romania,' has been invited to perform at the concert.



# ISWinT Workshops

This activity represents a relevant component of the project, where participants will be divided into several training workshops focused on different themes. Within these workshops, **topics of global interest** will be addressed, starting from public policies developed within international organizations such as the **UN**, **UNICEF**, or **the EU**. These discussions will help participants gain a better understanding of the socio-political and economic context in which we live.

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# Green ISWinT

To minimize our negative impact on the environment, the ISWinT team undertakes the following objectives:

- **Waste reduction** and **selective recycling** throughout the festival.
- Establishment of a **tree plantation** involving both the organizing team and external volunteers, with the assistance of **a local NGO**.
- Conducting **workshops with specific themes**.
- **Donating the festival-built installations** to the university campus.



# ISWinT 2024

The 30th edition of the project will take place between July 22 and July 31, 2024.

The theme of this edition is "**SHINE YOUR OWN LIGHT**", representing an encouragement for self-confidence, symbolically linked to the element of "light" and, at the same time, to the history of Timișoara. **2024** will mark 140 years since Timișoara became the first electrically illuminated city in Europe.

By participating in the workshops specific to this edition, the participants will develop skills that will help them address various issues in their communities, whether social or cultural.

Additionally, there will be **several events that are open to the public**, where people from Timisoara will have the opportunity to interact with international students, aiming to promote the spirit of multiculturalism.

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# Tracks



The term "**track**" corresponds to an **educational path** that participants choose during registration, with the aim of acquiring specific knowledge. Throughout this path, they will be guided by trainers specialized in the respective fields.

**Each track** will be accompanied by a series of workshops on the same topic. **At the end of these workshop sessions**, participants will have the opportunity to work in teams to develop various projects. The projects will be based on the theme of the chosen track and what they have learned during the workshops throughout the festival. These projects are set to be presented during the **'Project Presentation' activity**.



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# ISWinT 2023 statistics

**120**

volunteers

**17**

trainers

**100**

participants

**58**

countries

**25**

sponsors and partners

**4**

patronages





# Patronages

**In the previous edition**, our festival benefited from patronage from several key institutions.

Among these institutions are:

- **The High Patronage of the European Parliament**, which has been consistently granted to us for the past 5 years;
- **The Patronage of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;**
- **The Patronage of the Embassy of Spain;**
- **The Patronage of the Embassy of Hungary.**



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