

## Mostratec

Mostratec is a science and technology contest arranged by Fundacao Liberato, a polytechnic institute in Novo Hamburgo, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil. Initiated as a local activity in 1985 to provide opportunity to the polytechnic students to display their creativity, the activity has now taken an international shape. More than 25 countries from American, European and Asian continents participate in this contest held every year in October at Novo Hamburgo in Brazil. Projects displayed by the students are assessed by a panelists and the best entries under different categories are given awards. Enrichment sessions are arranged for the mentors in the context of science and technology education. Organisers also arrange a Round Table Discussion for mentors to share their ideas and experiences. In addition to students' projects Mostratec organises a variety of exhibitions to make science palatable to common people. Exhibition on Robotics is an added attraction for the visitors. The response from the local schools is overwhelming. In addition to school and college students the citizens of Novo Hamburgo and nearby cities visit the exhibition in large numbers.

On the invitation of Fundacao Liberato, Vidya Prasarak Mandal has been participating in this international event since 2013. Two students from Sau. A. K. Joshi English Medium School, Thane displayed their project in Mostratec 2013. A student from VPM's Polytechnic participated in Mostratec 2015. A team of two students from VPM's Maharshi Parshuram College of Engineering, Velneshtar took part in Mostratec 2017. Once again two students of VPM's Polytechnic took part in Mostratec 2018. On each occasion students from VPM institutions returned with flying colours. [More](#)

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