

AI Challenge & the Russian AI Olympiad — Sber's School-to-University AI Talent Pipeline

AI in Education · Good practice · Russia

Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

Sber's AI Challenge drew 8,500 children from 65 countries to solve real AI business cases for a RUB 17m prize fund, while Russia's Ministry-recognised AI Olympiad offers grade 8-11 students admission bonuses at Innopolis and ITMO and a full scholarship to Central University.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of learning impact	1/3
Equity & inclusion	1/3
Transparency, ethics & data protection	1/3
Teacher capability & pedagogy	0/3
Scalability & sustainability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

[Sber \(Sberbank\) / AI Alliance Russia, with Russia's Ministry of Education, Innopolis University, Central University and ITMO University](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

[AI Challenge winners — Egyptian Gazette](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

[Russian AI Olympiad official portal \(Ministry of Education\)](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

[Russia's Sber launches international AI contest for children — ComputerWeekly](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

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