

Registration for the 7th China Daily Belt and Road Youth English Speaking Competition (Hungary Qualifying Competition) is now open!

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Meet BRESC - The Belt and Road Youth English Speaking Competition (BRESC), initiated in 2019 by [China Daily](#), is dedicated to providing a dynamic platform for cultural interactions between China and the countries and regions along the “Belt and Road.” The event includes qualifying competitions held in Belt and Road countries, semi-finals and grand final in China, and cultural tour programs. Over the past six years, the competition has attracted participants from more than 50 countries and regions. Participants are encouraged to share their views with local and international communities and contribute to the advancement of mutual learning between cultures and to the solidarity of humanity. For more information, please see [BRESC official website](#). Registration is now open for BRESC(Hungary) 2025!





I. Host, Organizer, and Co-organizers

1. Host: China Daily
2. Organizers: 21st Century English Education Media
3. Co-organizers: University of Szeged, Shanghai International Studies University, Confucius Institute at the University of Szeged

II. Eligibility

1. Students aged between 16-27 (born between 1998.01.01-2009.12.31) who currently study in Hungary.
2. Neither the contestant nor his/her parents are Chinese citizens.
3. Those who ranked among top six in the grand finals of previous Belt and Road Youth English-Speaking Competition cannot participate again.

III. Schedule (subject to change)

Venue: Lecture Room 5, Rector's building (Hungary, Szeged, Dugonics ter 13, 6720)

Time: 16:30-18:30 June 4th Wednesday, 2025

IV. Competition Rules

1. The competition consists of the following two parts, with a total of 5 minutes speaking time for each contestant.
 - A. Prepared speech (3 minutes): The contestant delivers a prepared speech on the given topic: **"As global citizens in the digital age, how can we overcome bias as we build a connected world?"** (Click to see [background info video](#)).
 - B. Impromptu speech(2 minutes): The contestant draws from a set of topics and speaks on the chosen one after 10 minutes' preparation.
2. No text materials or props should be used/brought to the stage; Penalty shall apply if this happens.
3. The speeches shall be assessed in terms of content (50%), language (30%) and overall impression (20%).

V. Awards

1. The competition will elect one champion, two first prize winners, three second prize winners, four third prize winners, and up to five merit award winners.
2. All contestants and coaches will receive certificates issued by the organizing committee. There should be no more than two coaches per contestant.
3. The champion will be awarded international travel to China for the global semi-final and the cultural tour program in China scheduled for October, 2025.



VI. Registration

1. To registrate, please send the **Registration Form s(Excel) and your prepared speech script** to **konfuciusz@szte.hu**, no later than **17:00, May 20 Tuesday, 2025** (Hungarian time). For the subject of your email and the filename of your script, please use: BRESC family name first name.
2. A preliminary selection will be conducted to determine the top 15 candidates for the Hungary qualifying competition. An email notification will be sent to those elected.
3. Registration indicates acceptance of the following terms and conditions which includes important information on the competition:
 - A. Declaration: Contestants should ensure the authenticity of their personal information and the originality of their works. Falsified information or plagiarism will disqualify the contestant.
 - B. Copyright: All rights reserved. The copyright of speeches, photos, audio, and video recordings during the competition belongs to 21st Century English Education Media and Confucius Institute at the University of Szeged.
 - C. The 21st Century English Education Media & Confucius Institute at the University of Szeged holds the final right of explanation.

VII. Contact Information

To inquire, please email **konfuciusz@szte.hu**, call +3662544712, or visit Confucius Institute at the University of Szeged (6722 Szeged, Marst tér 20, 1 emelet).