

Gauging talent and performance

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Key dates

Entry deadline	31 January 2015
Submission of pieces to the Le Locle Watch Museum	28 May 2015
Nominees ceremony	26 June 2015
Results announced	22 October 2015

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The spirit of competition!

Showcase
the performance
of your team.



The Competition cannot be boiled down to a straight accuracy contest, it is not only about rewarding watch performance and feats of technological excellence: it also celebrates team spirit.

The act of taking part manifests confidence in your own abilities.

The Competition is a measure of the scope of our trade and know-how. It is open both to companies and to trainee watchmakers.

History

The International Chronometry Competition has taken the baton from the famous observatory competitions arising in the 19th Century, which certified marine chronometers.

Since 2009 its objective has been to promote chronometry in the field of contemporary mechanical watchmaking. This biennial event will hold its fourth edition in 2015. Its ranking criteria ensure a completely impartial comparison of the performance and reliability of market-ready cased watches.

The Jury

The Competition Jury comprises independent individuals upholding the scientific and legal validity of the results.

Chairman

Mr. Jean-Marc Triscone, *Dean of the Science Faculty of the University of Geneva.*

Technical Judge and Jury member

Mr. Laurent-Guy Bernier, *METAS.*

Chairman of the Honorary Committee

Mr. Claude Nicollier, *NASA and ESA astronaut, Professor at EPFL.*

Testimonial

Taking part in the International Chronometry Competition enables us to validate our technological choices and improve the accuracy and reliability of our time-pieces.

The stringent requirements of the Competition represent for us watchmakers a magnificent challenge, which we enjoy taking on with a real team spirit. Tissot won an award in 2013, and will not fail to take up the challenge again in 2015.

François Thiébaud, President of Tissot

Testing : the most stringent requirements

The watches entered in the Competition undergo four months of remorseless testing, without being returned to the watchmakers. They undergo the chronometric certification tests three times, with harsh impact and magnetic exposure tests in between.

These tests are conducted in collaboration with

- The Official Swiss Chronometer Testing Institute (COSC)
- The Besançon Observatory
- Haute Ecole Arc Engineering Department (HE-Arc)

The Competition comes under the ultimate supervision of the Le Locle Watch Museum, Château des Monts. It enjoys the support of the Republic and Canton of Neuchâtel, the Le Locle district and the greater Besançon area.

