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At the twentieth International Piano Competition in the castle of Ettlingen from August 2-9, 2026 the following prizes were awarded:

Category A (Participants until 15 years)

First Prize:	Chun-Ning Chen	2014	China (Taiwan)
Second Prize:	Shengkai Wang	2012	China
Third Prize:	Zong You Alexander Han	2012	China (Hong Kong)
Fourth Prize:	Olivia Tianqing Ye	2013	USA
Fifth Prize:	Mahault Claire J Ska	2010	Belgium

Encouragement Awards:

Yubeen Kim	2013	Korea, Republik
Naoto Kobayashi	2011	Japan
Sosuke Mitobe	2013	Japan
Alexandros Papatsonis	2010	Australien
Eva Wang	2010	Österreich
Botian Yang	2012	China

Category B (Participants until 22 years)

First Prize:	Jaeyong Lee	2009	Korea, Republic
Second Prize:	Toby Kai Rong Tan	2008	Singapore
Third Prize:	Yuto Hasegawa	2009	Japan
Fourth Prize:	Oliver Hak	2010	Poland
Fifth Prize:	Petr Akulov	2006	Russia

Encouragement Awards:

Hou leong Chen	2008	China (Macau)
Zihao Nan	2010	China
Haixiang Zhang	2008	China

EMCY-Prize:	Oliver Hak	2010	Poland
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437 young pianists coming from 39 nations applied for this year's competition. After the preselection by recordings 85 were admitted.