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The 5th Asian Universities Debating Championship (AUDS) 2009 will be held in Bangladesh this year.

East West University (EWU) in partnership with Oxford International School will host the inter-university debating competition of Asian countries.

The event will begin tomorrow and run till May 19. Around 276 participants forming 69 teams from Bangladesh, China, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand and the Philippines will compete.

These were disclosed at a press conference at Sonargaon Hotel in the city yesterday. East West University (EWU) organisedthe event.

Participants form seven public and private universities of Bangladesh will represent the country in the event.

"It is indeed an honour for our country to have earned the privilege to host such a quality and prestigious event and show off the debating and intellectual skills of our young generation," said Prof Mohammad Sharif, vice charicellor of East West University, at the press conference.

JalaluddinAhmed, president of Board of Directors of East West University, also spoke at the press conference.

