



I am very pleased to welcome the next edition of the Witold Lutoslawski International Cello Competition to the National Philharmonic.

The names of the winners of the previous editions and their accomplishments are the best proof of how important this event is for a life in music. I am fully convinced that the tenth jubilee edition of the Competition will provide many emotions and great new cellists whose careers will gain an even bigger momentum.

I wish all the participants the best of luck at all stages of the Competition and great success in the future regardless of the actual results obtained during the Competition.

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