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Climate Change and Climate Action: Mother Earth through our Lenses

How to enter

- Make an original photograph on the theme of *Climate Change and Climate Action: Mother Earth through our Lenses* supported by a brief description or short video on how the photograph relates to and expresses your feelings about the theme. Submitted photographs should follow the formatting guidelines outlined in the WIPO Photography Prize rules.
- Attach a title as well as a brief personal profile on yourself and on the Indigenous people or local community to which you belong, including the way(s) in which you are involved in your community. These materials should be prepared in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian or Spanish.
- Submit your entry by January 22, 2022, at 16h00 (Geneva time), through the online submission platform.

Submission deadline: January 22, 2022

Entry is free of charge. By submitting an entry to the WIPO Photography Prize, the participant agrees to accept the WIPO Photography Prize rules.

Photographs should illustrate:

- the impact of climate change on your communities, biodiversity and environment (land, air, water, flora and fauna, etc.); and/or
- practices, including ones based on Indigenous and traditional knowledge, or climate actions that allow your community to adapt to or mitigate the impact of climate change.

Eligibility

Participants should be members of Indigenous peoples or local communities located in one of WIPO's Member States under 30 years old on the closing date for submissions (January 22, 2022). For participants not of legal age (e.g., 18 years old), authorization from a legal guardian is required.

Participants must have taken the photographs and prepared the brief descriptions or short videos themselves.

Photographs must not have been previously recognized and/or awarded in another photography competition. Each participant can submit a maximum of one entry. Combined entries are not allowed.

Awards

Shortlisted and winning photographs will be announced on the WIPO website.

Winners will receive awards ranging from photography equipment and related software licenses to training and mentoring opportunities. The winners' peoples and communities will also be recognized and acknowledged.

Copyright in the submitted materials remains with the participants. However, participants grant WIPO the right to use the submitted materials for up to two years following the announcement of the winners solely for the purpose of its educational, promotional and capacitybuilding activities and related communication, fully crediting the copyright owners.

Judging process

WIPO will, in consultation with the judges (see below), review and decide if the entries submitted comply with all the requirements outlined in the WIPO Photography Prize rules.

All accepted photographs and other submission materials will be published on the WIPO website and online submission platform, along with the participants' full name.

WIPO will appoint an external jury consisting of five judges who will shortlist a number of entries, followed by a selection of winners. The judges will be internationally recognized Indigenous photographers and other persons knowledgeable on climate change and/or biodiversity conservation.

Photographs will be judged according to their adherence to the theme, expression of theme, overall impact, originality, creativity, artistic expression, personal expression, visual appeal, among others. The brief descriptions or short videos accompanying the photographs will also be taken into account.

Photographs will be judged on an experience- and technology-neutral basis, that is, without considering the participants' professional experience or background or the use of professional or special equipment.

Winning participants will be notified by email and the official announcement of the winners will follow on April 22, 2022.

Timetable

- Submissions open: August 12, 2021
- Submissions closed: January 22, 2022
- Shortlisted entries announced: March 22, 2022
- Winners announced: April 22, 2022

Questions?

If you have any questions about the WIPO Photography Prize, please contact us at grtkf@wipo.int.

For further information, see the WIPO Photography Prize rules. In case of any doubt, the WIPO Photography Prize rules take precedence.

Links

- Online submission platform
- WIPO Photography Prize rules
- Advisory Board members
- WIPO's Member States
- WIPO's Personal Data and Privacy Policy

WIPO is deeply grateful for the advice and support of the Advisory Board. Information on the individual members can be found on the WIPO website.