

COMPETITION RULES

THEME OF THE COMPETITION

SIGHT-BY-SIDE Competition (“The Competition”) is organised to select 2 individuals who will undertake the SIGHT-BY-SIDE project. The Competition will enable two photographers to travel to and develop a photographic project in Uganda based on wider topic of "inequalities".

ORGANISER

The Competition is organised by The European Commission's Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development (“DG DEVCO”), Rue de la Loi 41, 1000 Brussels, Belgium (“The Organiser”).

ELIGIBILITY

The Competition is open to individuals between the age of twenty-one (21) and thirty-five (35) years old inclusive. Trustees, Employees, interns, contractors or partners of DG DEVCO, as well as the immediate family (spouse, parents, siblings, and children) and household members of those employees, are not eligible to enter.

Participating individuals must hold an international passport that is valid until at least December 2019 and be free to travel during the months of April to June 2019. They must also operate an Instagram account.

All participants should be able to speak and write in English at an ‘upper intermediate’ level that corresponds to the Common European Framework of Languages (CEF) reference level B2.

ENTRY PERIOD

The Competition will take place between 13 March 12:00 am CET and 13 April 12:00 am CET. Any applications that are submitted after the end date will not be eligible. The Organiser’s computer is the official time-keeping device for this Competition.

In order to be eligible, the applications need to use the following application form: https://ec.europa.eu/trustfundforafrica/all-news-and-stories/apply-now-sight-side-looking-one-ugandan-and-one-eu-photographer-report_en.

A shortlist of applicants will be selected within 10 days after the closing of applications and from all valid entries to the Competition that are submitted before the closing date.

Shortlisted participants will take part in a further selection process, including an interview; to facilitate the final selection of our two winners will take place in early May. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted by the Organiser by email. Winners will have to be available to travel between May – June 2019.

THE WINNERS

We will select one Ugandan national and one European Union national.

The Organiser will notify the shortlisted participants and the final winner(s) via the contact information they provide. If a potential winner fails to respond to the notification within [5] days, then the Prize will be deemed to be declined and an alternative winner will be selected from the shortlist.

The Organiser's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

THE PRIZE

The two winners will travel to Uganda for 11 days. They will start their journey with a welcome training. They will then undertake a 11 day journey together, including two organized visits to Africa Trust Fund projects that they will need to include in their final work.

The winners will be supported by international development professionals on the ground during their journeys. Exact travel dates and itineraries will be arranged and communicated in due time to the winners. The journeys will be largely planned and undertaken on their own initiative. This includes the journey to Kampala (Uganda), the starting point of their journey, and any other journeys that do not include organized visits to projects.

The project will culminate at the European Development Days 2019 (EDD2019) in Brussels in June, where the 2 winners will share their stories. Travel and accommodation expenses for participation at EDD2019 will be covered.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

In the event that the operation, security, or administration of the Competition is impaired in any way, the Organiser may, at its sole discretion, either: (a) suspend the Competition to address the impairment and then resume it; or (b) award the prizes to two winners selected from the eligible entries received up to the time of the impairment. The Organiser reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual who tampers with the operation of the Competition, violates these rules, or acts in a disruptive or dishonest manner. The Organiser's failure to enforce any term of these rules shall not constitute a waiver of that provision.

Any application that is found to be made on the basis of false information will be deemed invalid.

All audio-visual and other material submitted to the Competition may be posted to the Competition website and therefore must be appropriate for publication for a general public audience. Inclusion of offensive content will invalidate the application.

The applicant guarantees that he is the author and rights holder of all submitted materials and that he grants to the Organiser non-exclusive, worldwide and unlimited in time rights to use the submitted material for any communication and promotional purposes, in the form of any reproduction, making available or communication to the public, especially in such a way that allows the material to be accessed by the public at the time and place chosen by them.

Should any natural persons be photographed, filmed, or have their voice recorded in the recognisable manner the submitted material, the applicant will ensure that the participants (or, in the case of minors, by the persons exercising parental authority) give their written permission for the described use of their image, voice or private element.

The above-mentioned rules related to the copyright protection and the use of the personal elements applies to any content submitted by the winning participants in the course of their travels.

Participating individuals are expected to use their own photographic equipment. Furthermore, participants are responsible for their own personal insurance and the insurance of their belongings.

RELEASE AND LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

By entering the Competition, the participant agrees to release and will not hold DG DEVCO or the European Commission, or their respective officers, directors, employees, and agents (the "Released Parties") responsible for and against any claim or cause of action arising out of participation in the Competition or receipt or the implementation of the prize, including, but not limited to: (a) unauthorized human intervention in the Competition; (b) technical errors; (c) printing errors; (d) late or undelivered mail; and (e) errors in the administration of the Competition. The participant waives the right to claim any attorney's fees and any damages whatsoever, including, but not limited to, punitive, consequential, direct, or indirect damages.

PRIVACY AND PUBLICITY

Any information the participant submits, when entering the Competition is provided to DG DEVCO and, except where prohibited by relevant law, the participant consents to DG DEVCO's use of the personal information, images and audio-visual materials submitted to the Competition to be used without limit for promotional purposes in any media without further payment or consideration.

DISPUTES

The participant agrees that any and all disputes, claims and causes of action arising out of, or connected with, the Competition or any prize awarded shall be resolved individually, without resort to any form of class action, and exclusively by the appropriate court located in Brussels. All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Official Rules, the participant's rights and obligations, or the rights and obligations of the Organiser in connection with the Sight-by-Side Competition, shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of Belgium, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules (whether of Belgium or any other jurisdiction), which would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than Belgium.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE RULES

Participation in the Competition implies full acceptance of the above rules.

QUESTIONS

Any questions and inquiries about the Competition should be emailed to Europaid-SIGHT-BY-SIDE@ec.europa.eu.