



Education and Culture DG

Lifelong Learning Programme



Rules for the participation to international student open contest of the EC₂E₂N (European Chemistry and Chemical Engineering Education Network)

WHAT?

The project involves a two-step contest (first national then multinational) to award the best students and young chemists producing an original product (written story, power point, video, strip cartoons, poster, etc..) presenting to different audiences (to primary, secondary schools, university students and to the general public) the solutions that chemistry is able to provide to free choice sectors of modern society (energy, food, health, water, transport, new technologies, etc.).

WHO?

The competition is open to every **high school** and **university** (including master and doctoral) student from the following nations: Italy, Spain, France, Greece, England, Austria, Germany, and Poland.

WHEN?

The submission of the works starts from the **1st February 2011**.

National step

The **deadline** for the submission of the work is the **15th October 2011**.

The **voting** will continue until the **30th October 2011**.

International Step

The voting will start on **November 15th** and will continue until **December 15th**.

HOW?

The works must be submitted electronically in one of the following ways:

- 1) written stories (no more than five A4 pages composed with TNR 12 points font); Microsoft Word
- 2) power point presentation (up to 20 slides); Microsoft PPT
- 3) video (up to 6 minutes long); MP4, AVI, Real Player, Windows Media Player
- 4) strip cartoons (up to 20 pictures);
- 5) poster (a single A1 page); Microsoft PPT or Acrobat Reader
- 6) photography book (a series of up to 10 pictures); JPG

The electronic product must be named in the following way:

FIRSTAUTHOR_TYPEOFAUDIENCE_TYPEOFPRESENTATION. Eg:

MarioRossi_PrimarySchool_Song.wav or JohnDoe_GeneralPublic_Video.avi

The accompanying e-mail must contain in addition the name of the school including the level (primary, lower or upper secondary school) or of the university and the statement that the work was made independently (originality).

On the website the works will be divided according to the different level of the audience. The various categories of students and the general public will vote on the same site the best work in each category.

NATIONAL PHASE

The original products will be posted to the following web addresses:

<http://ecampus.chem.auth.gr/contests/> (Greece, Italy, Austria, UK, France).

<http://www.chemia.uj.edu.pl/ec2e2n/> (Poland)

On the website the works will be divided according to different types of audience. The various categories of students and the general public will vote on the same site the best dissertation in each category taking into account both the number of votes and the age of the authors. All the participants will receive a certificate while the 6 most voted works will receive a diploma and a small gadget.

INTERNATIONAL PHASE

Three of the six winning works of every national phase will be selected by a committee made up of members of the Young Chemists of the National Chemical Society together with the national leaders of the project. The three selected works will be translated into English and posted on the website for voting by all the categories of students and public of all the nations participating to the contest. The first authors of the three top-rated works will be invited to attend the EC₂E₂N General Assembly (Milano, April 2012) and present their work. Their expenses will be totally covered by the EC₂E₂N. If the winners are minors, the organizers do not assume any responsibility for their safety during the trip and stay at the EC₂E₂N General Assembly.

CRITERIA OF THE ASSESSMENT

- Relevance to the topic
- Chemical correctness
- Way of presentation
- Level of approach to the audience
- Artistic quality

COMMUNICATION OF THE WINNERS

In both the National and International Phase the lists of the winners will be reported on the

<http://ecampus.chem.auth.gr/contests/>

and on the EC₂E₂N WG-13 web page

(http://www.ec2e2n.net/wp/wp13_StudentCentredActivitiesPromotingEuropeanScientificCitizenshipSummerSchoolsContests_v2.htm).

In the International Phase the list of the three top-rated works will be published also on the EC₂E₂N Newsletter which is widely disseminated throughout Europe and abroad (1022 Subscribers representing 520 Institutions from 66 Countries).

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