

RULES

OF THE INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC AND ECOLOGICAL CONTEST

**‘Biodiversity and Aquatic Ecosystems
Conservation’**

Lublin, 2022

Patronat honorowy

§ 1

1. The organisers of the contest are:
 - 1) Hugo Kołłątaj High School No. 6 in Lublin, Poland,
 - 2) University of Life Sciences in Lublin, Poland.

§ 2

1. The aims of the contest are:
 - 1) deepening knowledge in the field of biodiversity,
 - 2) learning the ways to protect aquatic ecosystems,
 - 3) emphasising the significance of water to living organisms,
 - 4) getting to know the natural environment,
 - 5) shaping sensitivity to the beauty of the surrounding environment,
 - 6) promoting natural sciences,
 - 7) developing and deepening interests in the world around us,
 - 8) perfecting observation skills,
 - 9) stimulating creativity,
 - 10) developing photographic interests and skills,
 - 11) ethical education by shaping pro-environmental attitudes,
 - 12) promoting a given region's landscape-nature values,
 - 13) developing digital skills.

§ 3

1. Contestants are to take a photograph in accordance with the subject area of the contest.
2. The contest photograph is supposed to depict biodiversity in a protected aquatic ecosystem.
3. The photograph shall be taken single-handedly and solely for the purpose of the present contest. Using photomontage techniques, any forms of digital manipulation, scanned photographs or reproduced Internet images is strictly forbidden. Only the works which have not been submitted to any other contests are allowed.
4. The contest consists in sending one photograph that has not been published before, along with a completed photo label (Attachment 2).
 - 1) The label has to be completed with Calibri font size 12.
 - 2) The text of the label has to be written in one of the following languages: Polish, English, German, Spanish or Russian.
 - 3) The photographs submitted to the school office are to be in colour, printed on glossy paper and saved on an electronic medium (a CD or a memory stick), in JPG format and a minimum resolution of 300 DPI for a printout in the size of 21x30 cm.
 - 4) The photographs sent by email have to be available in JPG format and a minimum resolution of 300 DPI for a printout in the size of 21x30 cm.
5. All the works that do not meet the formal requirements will be rejected.
6. The rules of the contest can be found on the school website: www.lo6.lublin.eu.
7. For any additional information, contact:
Katarzyna Lipska at k.lipska@lo6.lublin.eu,
Anna Środa at a.sroda@lo6.lublin.eu.

8. The organisation team of the contest are: Katarzyna Lipska, Anna Środa.
9. The contest is addressed to students born between 2003 and 2008.
10. The contest is divided into two categories:
 - 1) for students aged 14-15,
 - 2) for students aged 16 - 19.
11. Every student can take part in the contest only once, by sending a photograph along with a photo label. The contestants shall be reported by teachers – contest coordinators, on behalf of the educational institutions that the participants attend.

§ 4

1. The contest work (a photo, attachments and an electronic medium) shall be sent by traditional post in a closed envelope addressed as follows: **VI Liceum Ogólnokształcące im. Hugona Kołłątaja w Lublinie, ul. Mickiewicza 36, 20-466 Lublin, Poland**, with the note **THE INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC AND ECOLOGICAL CONTEST 'Biodiversity and Aquatic Ecosystems Conservation'** or submitted to the school office. It can also be sent by email at: poczta@lo6.lublin.eu, with the subject line **THE INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHIC AND ECOLOGICAL CONTEST 'Biodiversity and Aquatic Ecosystems Conservation'**.
2. The list of necessary attachments includes:
 - 1) Attachment 2 – „Photo label”,
 - 2) Attachment 3 – „Parent’s/legal guardian’s consent”,
 - 3) Attachment 4 – „Copyright statement and personal image release”,
 - 4) Attachment 5 – „Information clause on personal data processing”.
3. If a given school submits more than one work, each of them should be placed in a separate plastic sleeve.
4. The submitted works which are incomplete or sent after the deadline will not be assessed. In case of works sent by post, the date on the stamp is to be taken into account.

§ 5

1. The works will be assessed by a jury appointed by the organiser.
2. The jury consists of the representatives of both Hugo Kołłątaj High School No. 6 in Lublin and University of Life Sciences in Lublin, in a team of at least 5 members.
3. No collective work is allowed.
4. The works shall undergo substantive and formal assessment.
 - 1) The formal assessment will evaluate:
 - a) the accordance of the contest work with the requirements contained in the present rules.
 - 2) The substantive assessment will evaluate:
 - a) the accordance of the contest work with the subject area of the contest,
 - b) the originality of the work, encouraging viewers to visit the place shown in the photo.
5. The winners will receive in-kind prizes and certificates.
6. The jury reserves the right to award additional prizes and honourable mentions.
7. The jury's decision is final.

§ 6

1. The schedule of the contest:

- 1) the rules of the contest along with the attachments will be posted on the school website: www.lo6.lublin.eu,
 - 2) sending application forms: until **28 March 2022** (Attachment 1),
 - 3) sending the contest works: until **10 May 2022**,
 - 4) the announcement of the winners: **22 May 2022 – on the International Biodiversity Day**.
2. The contest results will be published on the school website: www.lo6.lublin.eu.
 3. The winners will be notified by email, at the school email address provided in Attachment 1.
 4. The prizes will be sent to the participants' school addresses. The distinguished works will be displayed at a post-contest multimedia exhibition on the school website www.lo6.lublin.eu

§ 7

1. Sending the work means that the student submitting it:
 - 1) is the author of the submitted photograph and has unlimited copyright, and the work submitted has not been published or has not taken part in other contests,
 - 2) accepts the rules of the contest,
 - 3) grants to Hugo Kołłątaj High School No. 6 permission to use the submitted work free of charge in any form and time in order to promote the organiser, the partners and the sponsors of the contest.
2. In case of underage students the parent's/legal guardian's consent is required (Attachment 3).