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Contest for Youth “Civic Involvement of Youth and Social Capital”

RULES

1. Description of the Contest

- 1.1. Contest is organised by the Society “Social Innovation Centre” (hereinafter in text SIC) with the financial support of the European Union program “Europe for Citizens” within the framework of the project “Social Capital Development as a Tool of Youth Civic Participation in Eastern Europe Countries” (hereinafter in text SOCAP) in partnership with INVOLVED ngo from Estonia.
- 1.2. The Goal of the contest is to facilitate the youth motivation and knowledge on civic involvement and social capital, as well as to encourage youth to active participation and popularization of the best practice examples.
- 1.3. Contest is intended for participation of youth in age from 13 to 30 years from all partner-countries (Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and Romania).

2. Challenge of the Contest

- 2.1. The objective of the youth — participant of the Contest, is to create Video or Article showing/describing in creative way possibilities of involvement or ways on development of social capital in his/her nearest locality.

3. Preparation of the Contest Materials

- 3.1. The Contest material shall be prepared in time from 30 March, 2015 until 24 April, 2016.
- 3.2. Number of materials submitted by one Author is not limited.
- 3.3. Material can be submitted to the Contest only by the Author(s) of the Material, who has(have) created the material without infringement of Copyrights or any other laws and regulations. The Material shall not be discriminating or abusive. The content of Material shall not violate common propriety or laws and regulations in force. In case of breach of laws the author of the submitted material bears full responsibility.
- 3.4. To the Contest can be submitted professional and amateur videos. When evaluating the videos primary attention will be paid to the content and only secondary — to the technical quality. The Author is free to choose the content of the video, technique, form and details of it. The maximum length of the video shall not exceed 10 minutes.
- 3.5. The maximum number of characters of an Article shall not exceed 3000 characters.

4. Time and Procedure of the Contest

- 4.1. The Contest takes place as from 30 March, 2015 until midnight of 24 April, 2016.
- 4.2. The Rules of the Contest are available in website www.civicyouth.eu.
- 4.3. By participating at the Contest the Author agrees that the Material without previous coordination can be used in different websites and events, including the logo of the Contest Organiser.
- 4.4. The Materials submitted to the Contest shall be original work of the Author(s) which has not been showed at any local or international internet media and has not been prepared within framework of any other projects or creative works.

5. Submission of the Contest Materials

- 5.1. Apply to the contest on web platform www.civicyouth.eu, section ENGAGE!. In case of uncertainty please send the description of the issue to email info@involved.ee
- 5.2. Upon submission of the Material the Participant acknowledges that the submitted Material is created by the Participant and all specified data on the Participant(s) are correct. If the participant is under 18 years of age than responsible for the conformity of the Application is his/her lawful guardian.
- 5.3. In case if the material submitted to the Contest is created by someone else or information on the Participant is untrue, the Participant of the Contest or its lawful guardian covers any losses caused to the Contest Organizer by the actions of the Participant of the Contest.
- 5.4. Persons involved in the organization of the Contest, employees of Social Innovation Centre, and employees and members of the foreign partner-organisations, employees of the National Youth Council of Latvia, members of the jury, and their family members can not participate at the Contest.

6. Evaluation of the Contest Applications

- 6.1. The Prize fund of the Contest consists of 1 tablet, 1 smart-phone and 1 smart-watch, as well as remembrance tokens and diplomas.
- 6.2. Materials submitted to the contest will be judged by the jury consisting of 3–5 members. The composition of the jury will be defined by the Social Innovation Centre.
- 6.3. Materials submitted to the Contest will be judged upon following criteria: Correspondence of the Material message to the Contest Goals, Originality of the representation, and Clarity of the content.
- 6.4. The Contest Jury is entitled to exclude from the Contest Materials, which contain disrespectful information and defamation, propaganda of political views, as well as materials that do not comply with the provisions of the Rules of the Contest.

7. Announcement of the Contest Winners

- 7.1. 3 Winners of the Contest will be announced in May 2016 during the event “Finalisation of round table discussions and dissemination” to be held in Estonia.
- 7.2. Potential Winners of the contest will be notified within 7 working days as from evaluation of the Contest videos and they will be invited to the event. Information on the Contest Winners will be published in website www.civicyouth.eu

*Youth Civic Involvement is process when youth participate in decision making on matters significant for them, development of events in locality and have influence on societal processes. <http://youtu.be/vji0o6ezyCw>