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2016 International Photo Contest

FRESH WATER, SALT WATER

RULES

ARTICLE 1 - ORGANIZATION

The international photo contest 2016 "FRESH WATER SALT WATER" is conceived, organized and promoted by DELTA 2000 Soc. Cons. to r.l.

ARTICLE 2 - DESCRIPTION

The competition is a tool to promote the cultural and natural heritage of the areas of the Po Delta Park, recently designated "Biosphere Reserve" by UNESCO.

A place where land and water join together in a perfect union, giving life to the different habitats that make it up, united by a common element, water, which is the basis for life for all living beings. Water is a precious element in the territory of the Po Delta Park, in the form of fresh water environments, such as inner valleys, rivers, ditches, ponds, or as salt water, in the wetlands close to the coast, the salt marshes, the estuary of several branches of the Po River, and the coast.

From Ravenna to Venice, water is a fundamental element for a vast territory, rich in culture and biodiversity. The competition is open to amateur and professional photographers from all over the world, on condition that they have reached the minimum age (18 years). People (and their families) who belong the organization and the jury cannot participate.

Each participant can submit up to 5 images for each category (A-B-C).

The competition starts on **February 26, 2016 and closes on April 15, 2016.**

There is no entry fee to compete.

ARTICLE 3 - CATEGORIES

The competition includes three different categories:

A) FRESH WATER, SALT WATER: PO DELTA

It includes natural life in the Po Delta area, such as animals, plants, landscapes, environment.

Human presence is not accepted, except if it is limited to "unnatural" elements in the area (towers, trestles, buildings, boats) which should not be predominant, or to the detriment of the NATURAL ELEMENT that has to be main subject in this category.

B) FRESH WATER, SALT WATER: MAN

It includes all human activities related to water. Water must be the predominant element. Potential subjects MAY BE: fishermen, outdoor and open air work in the fields, a child drinking from a fountain, a water bottle in the hands of an elder, everything can be fresh water or salt water .

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C) FRESH WATER, SALT WATER: WORLD

This is a very free and wide open theme category, that includes photos from all over the world, referring to all the areas where you can find fresh or salt water. Nature, human beings, environment, all the circumstances where water in all its forms is enhanced are just some examples for this subject.

There is also a “special” prize.

D) AUDIENCE AWARD

The image most voted by the public. This judgment will be independent from the jury and will be decided by online voting open to all (see art8).

ARTICLE 4 - PREPARATION OF FILES -

Images must be in JPEG (quality 12), Adobe RGB or Srgb color profile, with any format (2:3, 4:3, square, panorama) with minimum definition of 2000px on the longest side, and not exceeding 20 Mb.

If these limits are not met, the system does not allow uploading images.

The file name must be the category name, the first letter of the name, first letter of the last name, and title of the work. Ex: Category B, MARIO ROSSI, Little Girl smiles, become: BMR Little girl smiles.

To guarantee the complete anonymity of the images and objectivity of judgment, at the time of upload, files are automatically renamed by the system, according to a random alphanumeric code, to make them completely anonymous even to the secretariat of the competition that evaluates the eligibility.

The identification data of the participant, will be recovered only at the end of the vote by the jury and will thus be made known the authorship of the works awarded only following the decisions of the jury.

The images must not contain graphic elements such as frames, dates, names, logos, exif data or any other additional information. The presence of these elements result in the exclusion of the image.

The digital post-processing applied to the image is not in any way limited. HDR and panoramic photos (Photomerge) are allowed.

ARTICLE 5- PARTECIPATE

Participation to the competition is only possible ONLINE by filling out the form, accessible from site www.deltaphotocontest.eu. Clicking on "Participate" will open the participation panel, then select the section you want to take part in and click UPLOADPHOTOS.

Select the photos you want, write the title and click INSERT. A message will prompt you to confirm the correct uploading of the picture, which is displayed. Below the image the CANCEL button allows you to delete it and load another one to replace it. Continue up to a maximum of 5 for sections ABC.

Fill in the "Participation Form ", entering name, surname, email, full address and telephone number.

Once having pressed SEND data and images uploaded CAN NOT LONGER BE MODIFIED.

ARTICLE 6 - CHECK

The candidate images will be previously evaluated by the secretariat of the competition, that will be the only authority to verify their eligibility and authorize the online publication. The eligibility criteria for an image are illustrated below:

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Technical requirements: Refer to ARTICLE 4.

Compliance issue: images that do not fall within the definition of the relative category will not be considered and will explicitly be considered off topic.

Within 24 hours the images loaded and meeting the requirements given above will be visible on the ON-LINE site.

ARTICLE 7 – GALLERY OF IMAGES

The images and candidates admitted for participation (See ARTICLE 6) will become part of an ONLINE gallery, visible in the FOTOGALLERY website page. The images will be displayed by category. The order of appearance will be random and independent from the date of application: at each access each picture will randomly be displayed to ensure that everyone has the same visibility.

ARTICLE 8 – VOTE

AUDIENCE AWARD. Through a special form, accessible by clicking "VOTE PHOTO", the public can express 9 preferences: 3 for each category.

All votes will have the same weight in the final standings; it will not be up to the individual voter to establish a ranking of merit (1 -2 -3 place), every vote will be assigned value 1, that will be added to the others received by the image. No partial ranking for the images will be published in order not to influence voters.

The website has a system to guarantee that votes expressed from the same email address be not repeated. Also the competing photographers can submit their votes, at the same conditions as any other voter.

ARTICLE 9 - JURY

The jury is composed of:

Giorgio Boscaro	Manfrotto – School of Excellence
Maurizio Tieghi	Fotografo Presidente Circolo fotografico Ferrara
Milko Marchetti	Fotografo Professionista
Sergio Stignani	Fotografo Naturalista
Vincenzo Tessarin	Fotografo Professionista

Three prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for each of the three sections (ABC), for a total of 9 awards, and there will be an "Audience Award" (D).

Each class will select two additional images, deemed worthy by the jury and marked with COMMENTED ARTWORK.

JUDGING CRITERIA

The jury will evaluate the images according to visual impact, composition, originality, technique, creativity, ability to communicate a message, feeling or emotion generated...

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ARTICLE 10 – CALENDAR

Competition beginning	February 26, 2016 hours 00,01 AM (UTC + 1:00 h) Rome-Italy
Home vote public	February 26, 2016 hours 00,01 AM (UTC + 1:00 h) Rome-Italy
Term public vote	April 15, 2016 hours 11.59 PM (UTC +1:00 h) Rome-Italy
Term Competition	April 15 2016 hours 11.59 PM (UTC + 1:00 h) Rome-Italy
Jury meeting	April 18, 2016
Awards ceremony	May 1, 2016 hours 16:00 PM (UTC + 1:00 h) Rome-Italy

ARTICLE 11 – PRIZES

A) FRESH WATER , SALT WATER : PO DELTA

1st Prize : Optical and / or photographic material worth € 300

2st Prize : Optical and / or photographic material worth € 200

3st Prize : Optical and / or photographic material worth € 100

B) FRESH WATER, SALT WATER: MAN

1st Prize : Optical and / or photographic material worth € 300

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3st Prize : Optical and / or photographic material worth € 100

C) FRESH WATER, SALT WATER: WORLD

1st Prize : Optical and / or photographic material worth € 300

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ARTICLE 12 – PRIZE CEREMONY

The awards ceremony will take place on May 1, 2016 at 16:00 PM (UTC + 1:00 h) at Palazzo Bellini in Comacchio (FE) - Italy , at the INTERNATIONAL PO DELTA BIRDWATCHING EXHIBITION - International Birdwatching and naturalistic Tourism 2016 scheduled in Comacchio from April 29th to May 1st 2016 . On this occasion the winning works that have gained mention and were correctly entered in the competition will be projected at the exhibition.

Prizes must be collected by the winners on the day of the award ceremony. If this is not possible they can be collected at the offices of DELTA 2000 in Strada Mezzano 10 , 44020 - Ostellato (FE) .

If the winners are unable to claim the prize directly on the day of the award ceremony or at the headquarters of DELTA 2000, meaning that they prefer to receive the prize by courier or mail, all shipping costs and any customs duties or additional expenses will be charged to the winning applicants.

ARTICLE 13 - COPYRIGHT

All rights to the images in the competition remain the property of their respective owners. The competition organizers reserve the right to reproduce the added images, solely for the purpose of promotion of the event www.deltaphotocontest.eu publication on the website and on websites linked to the competition; projection in audiovisual format at promotional events; construction of exhibition dedicated to the competition, and for whatever else is necessary to promote the contest).

The images sent will not be returned and they will become part of the photographic files of DELTA 2000. In relation to the formality for the defense of anonymity, we inform you that these images can be used for promotion and divulgation objects, non-profit-making, by anyway, name and the surname of the author will always be mentioned.

Any other use by sponsors and organizers will have to be authorized by the author.

The content of the images is the total responsibility of the participants (eg. Possession of the necessary permits for photographs recorded, including clearances and permission from copyright holders - if different from the photographer).

By completing the registration form, participants acknowledge and accept all the rules of the contest.

The participants' personal data will only be used for internal organization, in accordance with the national and international laws on privacy.

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