



COMPETITION ON THE BEST CIVIC EDUCATION PRACTICES DIRECTED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Consortium of the Eastern European Network for Civic Education (EENCE) member organizations is organizing EENCE Summit from October 4 to 6, 2019 in Batumi, Georgia.

The present document provides information regarding the COMPETITION ON THE BEST CIVIC EDUCATION PRACTICES DIRECTED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

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ABOUT THE COMPETITION

Civic education providers, including representatives of all interested state and non-governmental organizations and institutions, as well as civic education experts from Eastern Partnership region and Russia, are invited to participate in the competition.

The organizer: Consortium of the EENCE Member organizations.

ABOUT EENCE

The EENCE Network was established in 2015 in frames of the NECE Network. It aims at exchanging expertise between professionals from public and non-governmental sectors on non-formal and civic education in the Eastern Partnership countries, as well as networking with the EU countries.

The idea is to create a platform for long-term communication of goals, issues, formats, ongoing needs and projects as well as challenges of civic education in each country.

The Network unites nearly 30 organizations and experts from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Russia and Ukraine.

EENCE Mission is to contribute in sustainable and strategic development of civil society in the Eastern Partnership region and Russia by expanding civic education and strengthening the capacity of organizations and experts working in the field.

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THE GOAL OF THE COMPETITION

The main goal of the competition is to contribute to the development and popularization of civic education in the Eastern Partnership region and Russia; to stimulate professional interaction of civic education providers; to integrate efforts, create a common vision, accumulate experience and disseminate the best practices and useful initiatives aimed at formation of the democratic society and the promotion of democratic values.

NOMINATIONS

The contest considers 3 nominations:

- The best civic education project aimed at activating communities;
- The best civic education program;
- The best civic education publication.

1) The best civic education project aimed at activating communities.

A project refers to the described concept on how to carry out a cycle of events and other activities aimed at promoting democratic values and increasing the level of community participation in civic initiatives. The presented project concept should contain the description of the needs, the target group, goals and tasks, key events, achieved results (including links to publications about the project).

2) The best civic education program.

A program refers to the described concept of a course, training, etc., including a description of the needs, the target group, goals and tasks, thematic blocks, achieved results (including links to publications about the program).

3) The best civic education publication.

A publication refers to electronic versions of guidelines, best practice collections, analytical materials, articles related to the development of civic education in the countries of the Eastern Partnership and Russia.

ELIGIBILITY

In order to participate in each nomination of the Competition, the applicants should present projects, programs, guidelines that have been implemented/published in the Eastern Partnership countries and Russia during the period between 01.01.2017 - 01.05.2019.

EVALUATION AND SELECTION OF WINNERS

The evaluation commission selects the winners (the first, the second and the third places) in each nomination of the Competition.

The evaluation commission consists of the representatives of EENCE network organizations.

The winners will be awarded diplomas and will also receive a special award from the EENCE Network.

The winners and awardees of the contest will have an opportunity to participate in, and to present their project/program/publication at the Summit on civic education development in the countries of Eastern Europe (Georgia, 4-6 October, 2019).

EVALUATION CRITERIA

- The relevance of the project/program/publication to civic education in the context of community development in the Eastern Partnership region and Russia;
- Innovation and creativity of the idea, which the project/program/publication is based on;
- Social significance for the region and target group;
- Project/program sustainability (including intra-sector and/or inter-sector interaction and dialogue with the authorities);
- The possibility of generalization and experience sharing in terms of project / program implementation.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATION

The application requirements (project):

The application is provided in the form of presentation, which should contain the following sections:

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- Project title;
- Information about the organization (name, contact information, including a website link, the head of the organization);
- The project implementing team;
- Project partners and sponsors (if applicable);
- Target audience (whom exactly the educational service is provided to);
- Geographical coverage of the project/program activities;
- Project timelines.

2. THE PROJECT DESCRIPTION

- The main goal and objectives of the project;
- The list of events that were carried out within the project;
- The project main results;
- The project impact on the community development (target group);
- Publications regarding the project in media and social networks;
- Problems encountered during project implementation and problem-solving experience;
- Perspectives of project development/multiplication.

The presentation should be in MS PowerPoint; font - Times New Roman; font size - min. 18, font color – black; the background – light color. Presentations may include illustrations, photographs, video links. The total number of slides should not exceed 20 pages.

The application requirements (civic education program):

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- The name of the civic education program;
- The information about program authors;
- The rationale behind the program implementation;
- Program target groups, their characteristics and special needs;

- The goal of the education program;
- Objectives of the education program;
- Expected results;
- Duration of the program;
- Thematic content of the program (short Syllabus);
- Qualification requirements for organizers and coaches.

2. DESCRIPTION OF PILOTING / IMPLEMENTATION

- The main goal and objectives of the project;
- The program impact on the community development (target group);
- Problems encountered during program implementation and problem-solving experience;
- Perspectives of project development/multiplication, as well as conclusions and recommendations for specialists / organizations interested in program implementation in their region;
- Link to the program website, links to publications with the program description (if available in open sources).

The presentation should be in MS PowerPoint; font - Times New Roman; font size - min. 18, font color – black; the background – light color. Presentations may include illustrations, photographs, video links. The total number of slides should not exceed 20 pages.

The application requirements (civic education publication):

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

- The name of the publication;
- The information about publication authors;
- Rationale of the publication, its focus and results (usage experience, feedback, response).

2. ELECTRONIC VERSIONS OF PUBLICATIONS (file formatted in doc. or pdf., or link to open access to the publication in Internet).

If the publication is not written in English or Russian, the extended annotation in Russian and English is required.

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HOW TO APPLY

Education projects and programs that have been implemented from January 1, 2017 to May 1, 2019 are accepted for participation in the Competition. Events beyond the specified period will not be considered by the selection commission.

To participate in the contest one should send a presentation in electronic format to the following email address: eencecompetition@gmail.com, with the Subject "Project Competition EENCE, the name of the nomination" (Example, "Project Competition EENCE, The best civic education program"). Also, to participate in the Competition one needs to fill in the registration form: <http://www.bit.ly/EENCEOpenCalls>

The organizers reserve the right to place the Competition materials in print publications, on the web-sites of the project organizers and partners, with the obligatory indication of the applicant organization and the author of the program or publication.

DEADLINE

The deadline for the submission of Competition materials – **17:00 CET (Central European Time) June 25, 2019.**

The Competition results will be announced no later than July 15, 2019.

Additional information about the Competition can be required by e-mail: eencecompetition@gmail.com