

RULES

of the International Youth Competition of Social Anti-Corruption Advertising “Together against Corruption!”

I. General provisions

1.1. These rules (hereinafter referred to as the «Rules») set forth the procedure for conducting the International Youth Competition of Social Anti-Corruption Advertising «Together against Corruption!» (hereinafter referred to as the «Competition»), including the conditions of participation in the Competition, criteria for evaluation of entries submitted for participation in the Competition (hereinafter referred to as the «Competition entries») and determination of finalists (winners and awardees) of the Competition.

1.2. The Competition is held by the Interstate Council on Combating Corruption (hereinafter referred to as the «Interstate Council»).

1.3. The main Organizer of the Competition is the Prosecutor General's Office of the Russian Federation (hereinafter referred to as the Organizer). The Co-organizers of the Competition are: Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Armenia, Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Belarus, Prosecutor General's Office of the Kyrgyz Republic, Agency for Public Service and combating Corruption of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Agency for State Financial Control and combating Corruption of the Republic of Tajikistan (hereinafter referred to as the «Co-organizers»).

1.4. The Competition participants can be citizens of states that are parties to the Agreement on the Establishment of the Interstate Council, as well as of other states aged from 14 to 35 years (individual authors or creative teams).

1.5. Nominations: “Best Poster” and “Best Video”.

1.6. Subject: “Together against Corruption!”.

1.7. Competition entries (posters and videos) are accepted on the Competition website **www.anticorruption.life** in Russian.

It is allowed to submit Competition entries in the national language of the participants with a mandatory translation in Russian (posters must contain an explanatory text, videos - edited subtitles).

1.8. The date of commencing the acceptance of Competition entries is **01.05.2023** (starting from 10:00 Moscow time); the deadline for the acceptance of Competition entries is **01.10.2023** (at 18:00 Moscow time).

1.9. Informing the target audience about the Competition, its goals, objectives and conditions of the Competition is the responsibility of the Organizer and Co-organizers of the Competition.

II. Goals and objectives of the Competition

2.1. The objectives of the Competition are to attract young people to participate in the prevention of corruption, to develop and use social anti-corruption advertising to prevent corruption manifestations, and to form the

practice of interaction of society with bodies engaged in anti-corruption activities in the field of combating corruption.

2.2. Objectives of the Competition:

- conducting anti-corruption education of the population; formation of an intolerant attitude towards corruption in society;
- attracting public attention to anti-corruption issues, the role of the public prosecutor's office and other state bodies engaged in activities in this area, and the results of such activities.
- strengthening confidence in the public prosecutor's office and other state bodies engaged in activities in the field of combating corruption; forming a positive attitude to their work;

III. Procedure and terms of the Competition. Checking and evaluation of Competition entries.

3.1. The Competition entries are checked for compliance with the following **criteria**, namely, compliance of the Competition entry with the declared subject, technical requirements and restrictions specified in section V of these Rules; absence of plagiarism; reasonableness and depth of disclosure of the topic; creativity, novelty of the idea and quality of performance of the entry; accuracy and intelligibility of the language and style of presentation; potential for further use as social anti-corruption advertising.

The Competition is conducted in two stages - semi-final and final.

3.2. Semi-final of the Competition (01.05.2023-20.10.2023)

The semi-final is conducted separately in each of the states participating in the Competition.

The selection of Competition entries prepared by participants from the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Belarus, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Russian Federation and the Republic of Tajikistan within the semi-final is carried out by the National competition commissions formed by the competent authorities of these states, specified in paragraph 1.3 of the present Rules.

The selection of the Competition entries prepared by the participants from other foreign countries in the framework of the semi-final is ensured by the National competition commissions or by the competent authorities of these countries (hereinafter referred to as other competent authorities). In the event that these bodies do not wish to take part in the examination and evaluation of the Competition entries, the National competition commission of the Russian Federation shall be responsible for their selection at the semi-final.

National competition commissions (other competent authorities) determine the winners (I places) and awardees (II and III places) of the semi-final of the Competition in each nomination.

Competition entries which were ranked first according to the results of the semi-final (winners) qualify to the final of the Competition.

3.3. Before 20.10.2023 National competition commissions (other competent authorities) send by e-mail to the Organizer the Competition entries (posters and videos) which were ranked first by the results of the national selection (in both nominations) and information about their authors in order to organize their participation in the final of the Competition (**orgkonkurs@anticorruption.life**).

At the same time, National competition commissions (other competent authorities) submit to the Organizer the «10 best posters» and «10 best videos» for posting on the official website of the Competition **www.anticorruption.life** (in the section «Contestants entries») and using in the preparation of various exhibitions (expositions) of Competition entries.

3.4. Final of the Competition (20.10.2023- 20.11.2023)

The winners (1st place) and awardees (2nd and 3rd places) of the final of the Competition in each nomination are selected by the International Jury by voting on a 5-point scale. The voting of the International Jury members is carried out remotely using the official website of the Competition **www.anticorruption.life**.

A member of the International Jury from a particular participating State may vote once on each of the entries that have made it to the finals on a scale from 1 to 5. Notably, a member of the International Jury of the corresponding participating state may not vote for entries of contestants from his or her own country.

3.5. Winners and awardees in each nomination are determined according to the highest average score based on the voting results of the International Jury.

If several Competition entries receive the same number of points as a result of voting of the International Jury prizes will be awarded to the authors (author teams) of each of these entries.

The National competition commissions (other competent authorities) and the International Jury have the right not to recognize any participant of the Competition as the winner in a certain nomination or in all nominations of the Competition.

IV. National competition commissions, International Jury of the Competition

4.1. National competition commissions are formed independently by the Organizer and Co-organizers of the Competition as well as by competent authorities of the states which are not participating in the Interstate Council to select works and determine the winners of the semi-final of the Competition.

The procedure for the Competition semi-final, composition of National competition commissions, their activities and evaluation of Competition entries, awarding the winners of the semi-final in each country is determined by the participating states independently.

It is recommended to include in the composition of the National competition commissions representatives of bodies of the participating states who are competent in the field of combating corruption; civil society institutions; higher educational institutions in the field of culture and art; experts in the field of social advertising.

4.2. The Organizer forms an International Jury of the Competition, which consists of representatives from each participating state - one candidate from Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Armenia; Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Belarus; Prosecutor General's Office of the Kyrgyz Republic; Prosecutor General's Office of the Russian Federation; Agency for Public Service and combating Corruption of the Republic of Kazakhstan; Agency for State Financial Control and combating Corruption of the Republic of Tajikistan, as well as if necessary representatives of competent authorities of other foreign states, high-level experts (heads of relevant international organizations and foreign anti-corruption bodies).

Co-organizers, National competition commissions (other competent authorities) submit to the Organizer by 01.07.2023 information about their representative to be included in the International Jury of the Competition.

V. Registration of Competition participants. Technical requirements for Competition entries

5.1. In order to participate in the Competition, it is necessary to register on the official website of the Competition by filling out the registration form and confirming consent to the Rules of the Competition, as well as consent to the processing of personal data. The Competition entries are electronically uploaded via the personal account on the official website of the Competition **www.anticorruption.life**.

5.2. File submission formats in the "Best Poster" nomination: JPG, resolution in accordance with A3 format (297 x 420 mm) with the correct aspect ratio and 300 dpi resolution. The physical size of a single file is no more than 15 Mb.

5.3. File submission formats in the "Best Video" nomination: mp4, resolution of no more than 1920 x 1080p, physical file size no more than 300 Mb. Duration: no more than 120 seconds. Sound: 16 bit, stereo.

5.4. The Competition entries must necessarily contain an explanatory text (for posters) or edited subtitles (for videos) in Russian indicating the author's name of the Competition entry, surname, name and age of the author (name of the creative team), as well as the state.

5.5. Restrictions.

The Competition entries must not contain:

- text, plots, actions of stage persons and characters that contradict the internal law of the participating states, as well as discrediting the work of state authorities and local self-government bodies, or those insulting the religious feelings of citizens;

- obscene (profanity) vocabulary, words and phrases degrading human dignity, expressive and slang expressions, hidden advertising, demonstration of smoking, firearms and cold weapons, explosives, the process of making explosive devices, the use of alcoholic and narcotic drugs, and other psychotropic substances;

- indication of real addresses and phone numbers, information about religious movements, including religious symbols, names and mentions of existing brands of goods, trademarks, service marks, individuals and legal entities;

- images of fascist paraphernalia (swastikas), scenes of violence, any kind of discrimination, vandalism, blood reflecting the bodily suffering of people and animals, intimate scenes, types of naked people, other information in any form degrading to a person or group of people, information that may harm health and/or development of children, as well as those containing calls for extremist activities;

- it is not allowed to use other people's texts, video and audio materials (plagiarism), except in cases of quoting competition entries within the limits permitted by copyright law.

In case of non-compliance with these restrictions, the Competition entry is not allowed to participate in the Competition at any stage.

5.6. Competition entries are not returned and are not reviewed.

5.7. The Organizer and the Co-organizers of the Competition as well as other competent authorities independently provide feedback with contestants from their country in order to solve current organizational issues.

5.8 The Organizer publishes the best Competition entries on the official website of the Competition after 20.10.2023 for general viewing, selected by the National competition commissions (or other competent authorities) of the participating states in accordance with paragraph 3.3 of these rules.

VI. Summing up the Competition results. Awarding of the winners and awardees of the Competition

6.1. Summing up the Competition results, as well as announcement of the winners and awardees of the Competition will be timed to coincide with the International Anti-Corruption Day (December 9th).

6.2. The winners and awardees of the Competition are awarded with honorary medals with the symbols of the Competition, souvenirs as well as other prizes determined by the Organizer and the Co-organizers of the Competition.

VII. Additional provisions

7.1. By submitting a work to the Competition, each participant guarantees that they are the copyright holders of a particular Competition entry and confirm that they do not violate the intellectual rights of third parties.

In the case of the use of objects of intellectual rights of third parties in the Competition entry, the participant is obliged to indicate the author and provide confirmation that the participant has the right to use such an object of intellectual rights.

For violation of the intellectual rights of third parties, the Competition participants bear responsibility provided for by the current international and national legislation of their states.

7.2. The Organizer and the Co-organizers as well as other competent authorities are not responsible for the use of the Competition entries prepared by the contestants in violation of the intellectual rights of third parties.

7.3. The Competition participant authorizes the Organizer and the Co-organizers as well as other competent authorities to make the necessary changes to the Competition entries, supply the Competition entries with comments and explanations; use of the Competition entries, including without specifying information about their authors.

7.4. The Organizer and the Co-organizers as well as other competent authorities have the right to use Competition entries (including as social anti-corruption advertising) in the following forms, namely, placement on Internet platforms, in the media, in social networks, as part of exhibitions, forums and other events. The Organizer and the Co-organizers as well as other competent authorities are not obliged to provide reports on the use of Competition entries.

7.5. In case contestants and representatives of the competent authorities of the participating states address to the Organizers, the feedback is given in Russian on the official website of the Contest in the "Contact Us" section.