**TRADITIONAL SPORTS**

**INTERNATIONAL**

**PHOTO CONTEST**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**OBJECTIVE**

1. The aim of this photo contest is to reach the most beautiful photographs of **traditional, regional, and ethnic sports and games**, promote sports, preserve cultural values, and create awareness. **Ethno-sport** is a general definition of sports activities that contain numerous elements specific to local identities, where traditional cultures are preserved, in an era when contemporary sports games are increasingly industrialized, institutionalized, and success is considered a single indicator.

Traditional sports and games becoming current and increasing their recognition worldwide will undoubtedly remind humanity of the fundamental values inherent in its nature. Traditional sports and games aim to contribute to humanity based on universal values such as tradition, respect, solidarity, and peace.

Reminding today's sports and games, which are part of our culture, as a branch of sports, integrating them into contemporary social life, and passing them on to future generations.

**TOPIC**

2. All traditional sports; branches, athletes, equipment, costumes, gameplay, places where the sport is played, and all photos taken during the preparation of these sports.

**ORGANIZATION OF THE CONTEST**

3. The Traditional Sports International Photo Contest is organized by **Kepenk Youth Association (Kepenk Gençlik Derneği)**. This competition is held within the scope of the project named "**From Tradition to Future, From Sports to Brotherhood**" with the project number 2022-1-TR01-KA220-YOU-000088850. The project and the contest are realized with the support of the Turkish National Agency under the European Union Erasmus+ program. Our project partners are Sivas Education Social Cultural Research Association (Turkey), Turkish Youth Club (Macedonia), Yunus Emre Institute Sarajevo Representation (Bosnia and Herzegovina), and Integration For Alla (Sweden).

**CONTEST CATEGORIES**

4. The contest consists of a single category in digital format, including both color and black and white photographs. Color and black and white photographs will be evaluated together.

**CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION**

5. The photographed works must be in accordance with the theme of the competition, representing regional, ethnic, traditional sports and games, showing the emotions, efforts, and knowledge during the performance of these sports, and introducing the materials and places of these sports.

6. Participation in the competition is free.

7. The competition is open to all photographers over the age of **18**, except for jury members and their first-degree relatives.

8. Participants can submit up to **10 photographs** to the competition.

9. Some processing such as color, sharpness, dust removal, contrast adjustments, and acceptable photographic interventions are allowed on the photos. The documentary structure of the photograph should not be altered. The jury's opinion on this matter is essential.

10. **Photos that have won awards** in a previous competition or simultaneously with this competition, including images with framing differences, can participate in the contest.

11. The fact that the photograph has been exhibited and published outside the photography competition organization is not an obstacle to participation in the competition.

12. The participant acknowledges, declares, and undertakes that all the photographs sent for the competition are entirely his/her own, and all permissions have been obtained.

13. It is understood that individuals whose photographs may be visible in the photos submitted to the competition have given permission for their photographs to be taken and submitted to a competition, as well as for the publication of the photos in visual, internet, and printed media. The participant accepts that any disputes arising from these uses are entirely their responsibility. **A consent form** will be requested for award-winning photographs.

14. A participant who violates the rules will have their award and/or exhibition canceled; the prize, title, and achievements will be revoked. If a prize has been awarded, the participant is required to return the prize. The ranking of awards may be shifted one level down or up based on the decision of the jury.

15. The prize and/or exhibition of a participant who violates the rules will be canceled; the prize, title, and achievements will be revoked. If a prize has been awarded, the participant must return the prize. The ranking of awards can be shifted one level up or down at the discretion of the jury.

16. The Organizing Committee may request the original/raw files of award-winning and exhibited photographs from the participant.

17. The results of the competition will be announced on **traditionalsportsphotocontest.com** and the competition's social media accounts. Additionally, all participants who have won awards or have been selected for exhibition will be notified via telephone or email.

18. The results of the competition will be announced on traditionalsportsphotocontest.com and the social media accounts of the competition; in addition, all award-winning and exhibited participants will be notified by phone or email.

19. In case of any issues, Kepenk Youth Association may make any changes in the competition. The Organizing Committee has the right to change the terms, prize amount and form, and the final participation and gala dates. The prizes specified in the regulations will be sent by Kepenk Youth Association to the personal bank account number/IBAN number to be declared by the right holders in their application form. This account must be in euros. If the right holder does not send their personal bank account number/IBAN number and the documents and information requested by the Organizing Committee, the prize amount will expire 5 business days after the notification date. In case of expiration, the right holder cannot claim any prize, copyright, etc.

20. Award-winning and exhibited photographs will be published on the official website of Kepenk Youth Association, kepenkgenclikdernegi.org.tr, traditionalsportsphotocontest.com, and social media accounts for promotional purposes and in accordance with the purpose of the competition.

21. Participants are deemed to have read and accepted the competition conditions by sending their photos to the competition. This specification comes into effect with the submission of the participant's competition photos.

**COPYRIGHT (USAGE) RIGHTS**

22. The participant acknowledges in advance that they grant the right to use the photographs that have won awards and have been exhibited (honorable mention) in Kepenk Youth Association publications, provided that the name and title of the work are used (Names cannot be used in collages, etc. graphic works). Therefore, the participant agrees that, in accordance with both the Intellectual and Artistic Works Law and other relevant legislation, they have given permission/consent to Kepenk Youth Association for the reproduction, processing, representation, transmission to the public, and publication rights of the awarded and exhibited work/works.

23. Award-winning and exhibited photographs can be used exclusively and free of charge in **Erasmus+** Program promotions and publications by project partner institutions and supporting institutions (Turkish National Agency, European Union Commission) without any geographical or content limitation, as well as in internet, visual, and written press organs for the announcement of competition results, together with the name of the artist. The participant acknowledges that they have no additional rights or claims from sponsor companies regarding these conditions, and they will not have in the future.

24. All submitted photos must be taken by the participant. The participant is solely responsible for any legal liability arising from the unauthorized use of images owned by others, either as they are or in part.

SUBMISSION OF PHOTOS

Application for the competition:

25. Applications must be completed on the Google form on the traditionalsportsphotocontest.com website, and all mandatory fields must be filled out. The download link for the photos should be written in the relevant field on the form.

26. The photos to be sent should be without matting and borderless. There should be no information such as the participant's name, signature, logo, date, etc., related to the participant's identity on the photo.

27. Photos to be submitted to the competition must be in jpg/jpeg format.

28. Each photo file must be named and numbered. The name should include the photographer's name or abbreviation of the sport, according to the number specified in the form. (Example: jackiechan.archer2)

29. It is recommended to provide information (how it was taken, location, athlete, camera, etc.) for all photos in the application form, although it is not mandatory.

30. Kepenk Youth Association will not be responsible for any problems that may arise from the submission of works.

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

31. Deadline for Submission/Application: **31.03.2023**

32. Award Ceremony and Exhibition Date: To be announced on the competition website

AWARDS

33.

First Prize : 2,000 Euros

Second Prize : 1,500 Euros

Third Prize : 1,000 Euros

Exhibition Award (for 25 photos) : 100 Euros

JURY

34.

• Mahmut Çelikus - President of Kepenk Youth Association

• Other jury members have not been determined yet.

35. The original of this specification was prepared in the Turkish language and translated into English. In case of any problems arising from the translation, the Turkish text will be taken as the basis. **Questions about the competition will be answered via info@traditionalsportsphotocontest.com, no information will be provided by phone!**