

RULES AND REGULATIONS
Photography competition: “Climat, Etat d’urgence”
(Climate, State of Emergency)
organised by the Fondation Alliance Française in Paris
and Alliance Française de Chandigarh

1. ORGANISATION AND DATES OF THE COMPETITION

The Fondation Alliance française, a state-approved, educational foundation with statutory funds of €35,600,000 and head offices at 101, Boulevard Raspail, 76006 Paris, will hold an international photography contest from 12th August 2014 to 14th June 2015.

The ALLIANCE FRANÇAISE DE CHANDIGARH shall send the Fondation 2 photos from an award- winner previously selected by their own jury.

The 2 photos will then be examined by a jury in Paris. The winner selected will be awarded travel and expenses for a one-week stay in Paris.

The present document defines the rules of this contest.

2. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPETITION

Participation in the contest is free. The contest is based on the submission of photos that illustrate the theme “Climat, état d’urgence” (Climate, State of Emergency).

Candidates are invited to present works illustrating the issues raised in their home country in relation to climate change, both real and perceived, as well as its consequences on people’s lives, and the initiatives that are taken or imagined to fight against its negative impact.

This contest is open to anyone who is legally an adult in their country of origin.

Participation in the contest implies unconditional acceptance of all of the present rules. Failure to obey any of the rules will result in a candidate’s participation being cancelled.

3. PROCEDURE FOR THE COMPETITION

The competition will take place at three levels:

- **Locally**

The first phase of the contest will be held between 12th August 2014 and 14th June 2015. ALLIANCE FRANCAISE DE CHANDIGARH will organise its own jury and make a preliminary selection of photographs.

ALLIANCE FRANCAISE DE CHANDIGARH will then send the name of its winner and their 2 selected photos to the Fondation Alliance française.

Any incomplete or non-compliant entry shall be rejected and the Fondation shall not be held liable for any claims related thereto.

- **Worldwide**

The Fondation Alliance française will be responsible for this phase. During this period, its jury will select 40 photographs for a group exhibition that Alliances françaises abroad may schedule free of charge.

- **Final Selection**

Naming of the final contest winner by the jury of the Fondation Alliance française.

1/ Submission of photo entries:

Only those photos sent to the Fondation Alliance française before the 15th June 2015 (with connection date serving as proof) will be considered for participation in the contest. Any entry made after that date will not be taken into consideration by the organisers.

2/ Date of publication of the jury's decision

Except in a case of force majeure, the jury's decision will be sent to participating Alliances françaises and published on the site www.fondation-alliancefr.org after 25th October 2015.

4. PARTICIPANTS

This contest is open to any physical person (hereinafter referred to as: the "participant"). The contest is not open to professional photographers who are recognised for their artistic work and making exclusively their living from it.

Only one entry of 2 photos per participant will be accepted.

Participants must guarantee that the photos submitted are originals not previously published (the reproduction of existing works is forbidden) and that they hold exclusive rights to the use of their work. In this respect, participants shall be responsible for obtaining all relevant authorisations from any third parties directly or indirectly involved in their production and/or who might believe that they can claim any right whatsoever over the work, and shall be responsible for any eventual payments deriving therefrom.

Participants shall transfer to the *Alliance française de Chandigarh* and to *Fondation Alliance française* exclusive usage rights to the photographs submitted on the site during the contest.

In general, all participants shall hold the *Alliance française de Chandigarh* and *Fondation Alliance française*, as organiser of the present contest, free from any legal proceeding, action or claim that any third party might initiate, on any grounds, in terms of the usage rights transferred under the contest rules and more broadly in respect to all of the guarantees and undertakings assumed under the present agreement.

The *Alliance française de Chandigarh* and *Fondation Alliance française* reserve the right to make any verification necessary for application of the present article.

In terms of the contents of the photographs, we offer the following advices, which should not be considered to be exhaustive:

- Obtain the agreement of any persons present in the photographs;
- Foresee cases where the inclusion of buildings or property (historical or modern) may provide entitlement to royalties;
- Do not include any urban structures that may be affected by third-party property rights;
- Do not show anything with a branded style (clothing, furniture, furnishings or objects);
- Any inclusion of the brand name of tobacco or alcohol products, or of any situation promoting their consumption, is forbidden.

Any enrolment or participation involving data or contact information that are incomplete, erroneous or false, or done in violation of the terms of the present agreement shall be considered null and void by the Fondation Alliance française and will be excluded from any awards without the Fondation being liable for said exclusion.

Any participant who makes a false statement shall be excluded from the contest without the Fondation being liable for said exclusion.

5. HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Registration is free. Entrants must be aged 18 and above. The aim is to take two photos that represent the theme ***Climat, état d'urgence (Climate, State of Emergency)*** in their country.

To participate in the competition, the entrant must register with the *Alliance Française de Chandigarh* by filling in the registration form.

The participant must submit two photos on the theme ***Climat, état d'urgence*** together with the registration form to the Alliance Française de Chandigarh by email at: culture.chandigarh@afindia.org by 3rd June 2015.

The *Alliance Française de Chandigarh's* jury will choose its selected entrant for the competition's final jury panel in France. The selected *participant* will be contacted either by email or telephone. Any incomplete or false participation will be rejected without bearing any responsibility to the *Alliance Française de Chandigarh* or the *Fondation*.

6. NOMINATION OF WINNERS AND AWARDING OF PRIZE

The jury named by the Fondation Alliance française, comprised of professionals from the world of photography and culture, shall select 1 (one) "Grand Prize Winner" and 19 (nineteen) finalists from the photographers whose photos, on the topic "Climat, état d'urgence", have been submitted **before 15th June 2015**.

As organiser of the contest, the Fondation provides every guarantee to participants of the impartiality, good faith and integrity of the members of its jury.

As is customary in such cases, the jury shall be entitled to discard any photograph that it deems to be artistically inappropriate.

The decisions of the jury, which is constituted and operates as is expected for its work, shall be final and no appeals shall be allowed.

The jury's decisions shall be made based mainly on the following criteria:

- The candidate's compliance with the process;
- The relevance of the entry to the subject of the contest;
- The pertinence and harmony of both photos
- The quality of the photos entered: framing, originality, handling of light, aesthetics, etc.;
- Compliance with the prescribed number of photos to be submitted (two);
- Observance of the technical factors mentioned below.

All of the preselected photos shall then be forwarded to the jury established by the Fondation Alliance française.

Technical specifications:

Each participant must produce each of their two (2) photographs, in TIFF format or JPEG With a minimum resolution of 300 DPI.

The following information should also be attached to the two (2) photographs of each participant:

- The specifications of the camera used;
- The size of the aperture used;

- The shutter-speed;
- If using film, the film specifications (i.e. brand, ISO number).

The “Grand Prize Winner” and the “Finalists” shall give the *Alliance française de Chandigarh* and *Fondation Alliance française* express authorisation, free of charge, to any reproduction and publication of their photos for the group exhibition, to promote and advertise their works on any medium of distribution known to date or unknown, throughout the entire world and for a period of 24 months starting on 20th November 2015.

The “Grand Prize Winner” and the “Finalists” shall give the *Alliance française de Chandigarh* and *Fondation Alliance française* express authorisation, free of charge, to take pictures and make audio and/or visual recordings of their participation in the exhibition, and to broadcast them live and/or in delayed time, in whole and/or by extracts, via any medium of distribution known to date or unknown, throughout the entire world and for a period of 24 months starting on the date the jury’s decisions are announced.

7. PRIZES AWARDED

Some of the photos submitted by the finalists and the grand prize winner, selected by the jury, will be exhibited in a group exhibition in a Parisian space chosen by the *Fondation Alliance française* and/or at the gallery of the *Fondation*.

The Grand Prize Winner will be invited one week in Paris. Air fare (economy class round-trip), lodging (youth hostel category or the equivalent) for one week in Paris, and per diem at €40/day will be provided to the winner by the *Fondation Alliance française*.

Prize winnings do not include the following:
 - any eventual expenses and additional services related to benefiting from the award, which shall be borne by the prize winners;
 - personal expenses (e.g. travel within France).

The Grand Prize Winner and the Finalists will not receive any monetary reward for their participation in this contest sponsored by the *Fondation Alliance française* other than the above-mentioned benefits.

Prize awards may not be transferred or exchanged.

The contest sponsor reserves the right to replace the stated benefits by equivalent benefits. The Grand Prize Winner and the Finalists will be contacted by e-mail and/or telephone by the *Alliance française* of their home country.

Should the contact data provided by a winning participant not allow him or her to be contacted concerning an award, he or she shall lose their place as a prize winner and shall not be entitled to any further claims.

The awarding of prizes shall not entitle recipients to any sort of claim, or to payment in cash or in any other form, nor to a substitution or exchange of their prize on any grounds whatsoever.

Should the Grand Prize Winner and/or a Finalist be unable to benefit from their prize award, totally or partially, on whatever grounds, they shall lose all entitlement to same and shall have no recourse to obtaining compensation of any sort for it.

The contest sponsors shall be responsible for printing the photos that are the winning entries and for hanging them in the exhibition space selected. The staff of the *Fondation Alliance française* shall make all decisions concerning the format for printing, the type of

framing and the means of hanging the photos, as well as the general scenography of the gallery.

8. PUBLICATION OF THE RESULTS

The identities of the Grand Prize Winner and the Finalists of the contest shall be published using any pseudonym (artistic name) under which they may have enrolled and, eventually, using their real name, and may be used for communication on the Websites and in the communication media of the Fondation Alliance française as well as ALLIANCE FRANÇAISE DE CHANDIGARH.

9. LEGAL LIABILITY AND IN CASE OF FORCE MAJEURE

A reminder is hereby expressly provided that the Internet is not a secure network. The Fondation Alliance française denies all legal liability in the event that its Internet system malfunctions, especially due to external malicious actions that might prevent the contest from taking place properly.

In addition, it shall not be held liable in the event of problems with the sending, receiving or loss of postal or electronic mail. Any inaccurate or false statement and any fraudulent use shall lead to disqualification of the perpetrator.

In a case of force majeure, or of circumstances beyond its control, the Fondation Alliance française reserves the right to modify the present agreement and to postpone or cancel the contest. In the event of such changes, it shall in no way be held liable.

10. RULES

The mere fact of taking part in this photo contest implies pure and simple acceptance of all of the present rules, including, as they may arise, any eventual amendments and riders. The organiser shall have sole jurisdiction to settle any practical problems with interpreting or applying the present rules.

These rules may be consulted on the Web site www.fondation-alliancefr.org and a copy of same will be sent free of charge to anyone so requesting in writing at the following e-mail address: concoursphoto@fondation-alliancefr.org (or Fondation Alliance française - Concours "Climat, état d'urgence", Fondation Alliance française, 101 Boulevard Raspail, 75006 Paris), up until the date of publication of the results of the contest.

11. RIGHT TO PRIVACY OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

Pursuant to the Law on Privacy of Personal Information of 6th January 1978, amended by the law of 6th August 2004, the user is entitled to access, obtain, correct and, as applicable, disallow the distribution of their personal data. The user may at any time disallow forwarding of his or her information to third parties. All requests for access, correction or disallowance should be sent to the following address: "Climat, état d'urgence" - Fondation Alliance française, 101 Boulevard Raspail, 75006 Paris), no later than the date of publication of the contest results.

12. DISPUTES

The present competition is subject to the French law for the course of the competition in France. Alliance Française de Chandigarh is responsible for drafting its own rules and regulations with reference to the present rules and regulations.

13. REGISTRATION AND CONSULTATION OF CONTEST RULES

The present rules have been registered with the firm of SELARL - DI FAZIO - DECOTTE - DELARUE, associated court officers, 13 rue Guillaumont, 69440 Mornant. They may be consulted on the Web site www.Reglement-Jeux.fr, in accordance with the directive on the registration of game rules.