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EDUKI COMPETITION 2017/2018

WHY SCHOOL?

TOWARDS QUALITY EDUCATION FOR ALL

Have you heard about the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals? How can we all contribute towards their achievement?

This innovative competition offers you the opportunity to discover the SDGs with your pupils and enable them to act locally thereby contributing to Switzerland itself achieving these global goals. Eduki and its partners invite pupils, classes and establishments from the primary, secondary I and secondary II education levels, to submit an artwork, a media production or to imagine a concrete action on the theme "Towards a quality education for all", which focuses on SDG n°4.
The competition aims to engage young people in a reflection on the challenges in Education, which affect us all here and elsewhere, and to encourage them to take action by raising awareness on this issue in their community and by proposing creative solutions.
The Eduki Foundation offers support to participants in the form of: information material and sessions, thematic visits to Geneva, exchanges with experts from the UN and follow-up in in the conception of their projects.
The projects will be judged by a jury made up of experts from International Geneva.

Attractive prizes will be awarded to the prize-winners during a ceremony on April 20th, 2018 held in the symbolic "Palais des Nations", the United Nations Office in Geneva.
An exhibition of the projects will be organized at the UN to celebrate Earth Day 2018.

IN SHORT

Theme: Towards a quality education for all

Levels: primary, secondary I and II (approximately 4-19 years)

Participants: pupils, classes or establishments in Switzerland

Languages: French, German, Italian, English

Categories:

Artwork: painting, sculpture, drawing, …

Media production: mini documentary, testimony, man-in-the-street interview, …

Concrete Action: campaign or awareness-raising action, community project, …

Some topics of interest:

- What factors prevent or promote access to education here and elsewhere?
- How can education help to reduce poverty or wars, and improve living conditions?
- What sustainable development skills and abilities need to be developed at school?

KEY DATES

2017

- **04.09** – Registration opens
- **31.12** – Registration closes

2018

- **28.02** – Deadline for submissions
- **20.04** – Awards ceremony at the UN

THE THEME OF THE COMPETITION

In 2015, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development was adopted by the UN member states, including Switzerland, to address global issues together.
The 17 universal goals that make up this agenda propose concrete solutions for a sustainable development by 2030. One of the goals, SDG 4, aims to "Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all".

- What are the obstacles to education here and elsewhere?
- How is it possible to provide quality education while respecting the diversity, needs and abilities of each student?
- How does education help reduce poverty, wars, and improve equality and living conditions?
- What skills can be developed at school for a sustainable future?
- What would the ideal school look like in 2030?

The Eduki competition invites you to reflect on these issues by working on an artistic creation, media production or with a project for a concrete action. Being aware of the Sustainable Development Goals, will allow you in turn to share what you know with other people. Thus, you will participate in your own way towards a better understanding of the challenges, which we can all as global citizens contribute to solving.

The links with school curriculums

Participation in the competition allows teachers and their pupils to work on many interdisciplinary objectives (Human rights, Sustainable development, Citizenship education, etc.) while mobilizing and promoting transversal capacities (collaboration, communication, creative thinking, a reflexive approach, etc.). Many of which are mentioned in several of the school curriculums in Switzerland (e. g. Plan d'études romand, Lehrplan 21, Piano di studio della scuola dell'obbligo).

Working on the competition in class constitutes an opportunity to implement pedagogical methods such as Education towards a sustainable development or Global citizenship education by allowing the participants to develop, among others, the following skills: systemic thinking (economic, social and environmental interdependences), critical and constructive thinking, sense of belonging and responsibility as a global citizen, identification of the possibilities of common action

Examples of projects by category and level

Primary level / Artwork category:

- Mosaic of drawings about actions that promote access to education here and elsewhere.
- Paintings of the ideal school in 2030 made with durable and biodegradable materials.

Secondary I level / Media category:

- A short film on equality in which students share their views on the subject and explain how it is talked about in their school.
- Interviews of international experts on the current situation and challenges for the education of refugees (UNICEF, UNHCR, etc.).

Secondary II level / Action category:

- Awareness raising week in school about a social group at risk of exclusion (e.g. refugees, disabled people).
- Poster exhibition designed by the pupils about responsible consumption within the school.

Some of the projects from pupils which won over the jury of the competition in 2016 on the themes: water, peace, equality and health.

SUPPORT FOR THE PARTICIPANTS

Information material:
Information File (explanation on the theme, ideas for projects, resources, etc.); the competition Web site www.eduki.ch/competition (registration, practical information, competition material).

Special visits for classes:
In partnership with the United Nations Office in Geneva, Greycells and the other actors of international cooperation present in Geneva, the Eduki also proposes presentations in class and/or special visits.

Contact with experts:
In association with the Swiss UNESCO Commission and Greycells - association of former civil servants, experts will be on hand to give advice to teachers and participants on many aspect of their projects such as their adequacy with the theme of the competition.

Information sessions:
Eduki is available to make presentations of the competition in your establishment. Don't hesitate to contact us!

EVALUATION CRITERIA

A jury made up of experts from International Geneva will select the best projects for each level and category. They will apply the following criteria:

- Relevance to theme
- Approach followed
- Personal investment
- Originality
- Quality

Additional Criteria for Concrete Action:

- Expected impact
- Multiplier effect

Awards ceremony of 2016.

These criteria and their scores by the jury are detailed in the **Regulation** of the competition which can be downloaded from: www.eduki.ch/competition

AWARDS CEREMONY

The competition is placed under the high patronage of the Director general of the United Nations Office in Geneva, Mr Michael Møller.

The prize-winners of the competition will be announced during a special ceremony which will be held in the Palais des Nations on April 20th, 2018 on the occasion of Earth Day 2018. All the participants are invited to participate in this ceremony to discover the prize-winners and the other projects presented to the competition.

The prizes which will be awarded to the winners consist of gift vouchers, vouchers for school outings or monetary contributions for the realization of a project. There will be prizes in all three categories and for every level (primary, secondary I and II). An exhibition of the projects of the competition will be organized in the UN building.

Palais des Nations, United Nations Office in Geneva.

REGISTRATION FROM SEPTEMBER 2017

The stages to participate in the competition

1. Choose a category: **artwork, media project or concrete action**.
2. Register on the competition website **www.eduki.ch/competition** before **December 31, 2017**.
3. Prepare with the help of our **information file**, plan a visit or a meeting with an expert.
4. Work on a project **linked to the competition theme**.
5. Submit your project before **February 28, 2018**.
6. Participate in the awards ceremony **April 20, 2018** at the United Nations Office in Geneva (optional).

ORGANIZOR

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The Eduki Foundation aims to promote education and raise awareness amongst young people about the work of international organizations. The activities of the Foundation aim to support the international vocation of Switzerland and contribute to create a sustainable bond between the international organizations and youth. Activities consist in: organization of visits, meetings or trainings, thematic documentation, information on the professions in international cooperation, etc. To know more about us: **www.eduki.ch**.

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