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SNSF Scientific Image Competition - Terms and conditions

1. Competition

The Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF) is organising the SNSF Scientific Image Competition (photographs, images and videos).

2. Competition terms and conditions

The SNSF Scientific Image Competition is open to researchers of all nationalities who work at a Swiss research institution in the higher education domain, or with a non-profit research institution outside the higher education domain that is headquartered in Switzerland, within the meaning of the Federal Act on the Promotion of Research and Innovation (RIPA; RS 420.1). The following persons may not take part in the competition:

- professional photographers;
- employees of the communication departments of research institutions;
- members of the competition jury;
- the personnel of the SNSF Administrative Offices.

Participation in the competition is free of charge.

3. Entries

Researchers who wish to participate must fill in the online registration form using the link on the competition's web page www.snf.ch/image-competition.

The entry options are stated on the competition's web page at www.snf.ch/concours-images. The deadline, entry categories, number and technical aspects of submissions are also indicated there.

3.1 Technical specifications

The technical specifications for the entries are described on the competition's web page www.snf.ch/image-competition.

4. Prizes

4.1 Jury

The jury is appointed by the SNSF.

4.2 Prize money

The first prize in each category is CHF 2,000. The jury may also award distinctions to individual entries.

4.3 Outreach and exhibition of images

The SNSF may disseminate the submitted entries on the internet as well as on social media and may resize/crop them for this purpose. Submitted images may also be put on display at one or more exhibitions. The submitted text may be adapted and published by the SNSF. The SNSF will not enter into any communication on this subject with participants.

5. Image rights

The participants in the competition guarantee that they have produced the entries themselves and that they hold all the necessary rights and authorisations. They remain the owners of the copyright relating to their entry. They give their permission for the entries to be published by third parties under a CC-BY-NC-ND licence (https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc-nd/3.0): the entries may also be freely used for non-commercial purposes, provided they remain unaltered and the author is duly credited.

The works submitted must respect image ethics and must have been authorised by the persons concerned. Any representation of a physical person must be subject to that person's consent to dissemination of his/her image. The SNSF refuses to accept any liability in this respect.

6. Legal notice

By submitting an image, the entrants fully accept these terms and conditions.

Entries that do not fully meet the above criteria or that contain incorrect or incomplete information will not be taken into consideration for the competition.

The SNSF refuses to accept any liability towards participants or third parties, in particular in the event of the competition being cancelled. The SNSF shall not enter into any correspondence concerning the assessment of the entries. The jury's decision is final.