

# **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: the Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Armenia, the Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Belarus, the Prosecutor General's Office of the Kyrgyz Republic, Agency for Combating Corruption of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the 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 10 to 25 years (individual authors or creative teams).

1.5. Categories of the Competition: “Best Poster”, “Best Drawing”, and “Best Video”.

1.6. Subject: “Together against Corruption!”.

1.7. Competition entries (posters, drawings, 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 an obligatory translation into Russian (posters and drawings should contain the title and explanatory text, videos - inserted subtitles).

1.8. The date of commencing the acceptance of Competition entries is **01.05.2024** (starting from 10:00 Moscow time); the deadline for the acceptance of Competition entries is **01.10.2024** (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.

1.10. Participation in the Competition is free.

### **II. Goals and objectives of the Competition**

2.1. The goals of the Competition are to attract the attention of the younger generation to the problems of corruption; to encourage and support creative initiatives of children and youth in creating social anti-corruption advertising; to strengthen the practice of interaction between society and authorities in the fight against corruption.

2.2. Objectives of the Competition:

anti-corruption legal education of the population; development of an intolerant attitude towards corruption in society

attracting public attention to anti-corruption issues;

strengthening confidence in prosecution authorities and other state bodies engaged in activities in the field of combating corruption; forming a positive attitude to their work.

### **III. Registration of Competition participants. Technical requirements for Competition entries.**

3.1. In order to participate in the Competition, it is necessary to register on the official website of the Competition by correctly 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**. In this case, a registered participant in the Competition must be the direct author of the Competition entry or one of the co-authors of the creative team. For participants aged 10 to 17 years, registration can be carried out independently or by a legal representative (guardian).

If a participant is recognized as a winner or awardee, it is necessary to confirm the personal data indicated during registration with the presentation of identity documents.

3.2. The Competition accepts entries in the following categories:

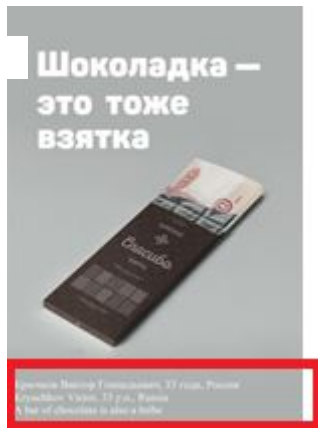
3.2.1. “Best Poster” (made graphically, using computer programs, tablets, styluses). File submission formats: JPG, resolution in accordance with A3 format (297 x 420 mm) with the correct aspect ratio and 300 dpi resolution, the physical size of a single file is no more than 15 MB. Quantity: no more than 10 files;

3.2.2. “Best Drawing” (made by hand using drawing supplies – pencil, felt-tip pen, crayons, paints, sketch markers, sepia, sanguine, charcoal, ink, capillary pens). File submission formats: JPG, resolution in accordance with A3 format (297 x 420 mm) with the correct aspect ratio and 300dpi resolution, the physical size of a single file is no more than 15 MB. Quantity: no more than 10 files;

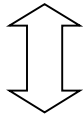
3.2.3. “Best Video”. File submission formats: mp4, resolution of no more than 1920 x 1080p, physical file size no more than 300 MB. Duration: no more than 120 seconds. Sound: 16 bit, stereo. Quantity: no more than 10 files.

3.3. The Competition entries must necessarily contain the author's title, an explanatory text (for posters and drawings) or inserted subtitles (for videos) in

Russian indicating the surname, name, age of the author (name of the creative team), as well as the state.



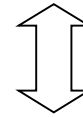
(poster)



*Ivanov Ivan, 23 y.o., Russia*  
«A bar of chocolate is also a bribe»



(drawing)



*Ivanova Marina, 18 y.o., Russia*  
«No corruption »



(video)



*Petrova Kristina, 20 y.o., Belarus*  
«Don't take what is not yours»

### **3.4. Restrictions.**

The Competition entries must not contain:

- text, plots, actions of stage persons and characters that contradict the internal law of the states whose citizens are participants in the Competition, discrediting the work of state authorities and local self-government bodies, as well as 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 (swastika), scenes of violence, any kind of discrimination, vandalism, blood reflecting the bodily suffering of people and animals, intimate scenes, types of naked people, and 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 for cases of quoting works within the limits permitted by copyright law.
- to use artificial intelligence systems and technologies;
- to post the same entry several times;
- to post entries from previous periods;
- to post a photograph of an entry with foreign objects on it.

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

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

3.6. 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.

3.7. The Organizer publishes the best Competition entries on the official website of the Competition after 25.10.2024 for general viewing, selected by the National competition commissions (or other competent authorities) of the states whose citizens are participants in the Competition, in accordance with paragraph 4.4 of these Rules.

## **IV. Procedure and terms of the Competition. Checking and evaluation of Competition entries.**

4.1. The competition is held in three categories in three age groups:

- from 10 to 15 years;
- from 16 to 20 years;
- from 21 to 25 years.

4.2. The Competition entries are checked for compliance with the following **criteria**: compliance with the declared subject, technical requirements and restrictions specified in section III 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.**

4.3. Semi-final of the Competition (01.05.2024 – 25.10.2024)

The semi-final is conducted separately in each of the states whose citizens are participants 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 framework of the semi-final is carried out by the National competition commissions formed by the competent authorities of these states.

The selection of the Competition entries prepared by the participants from other foreign countries within 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 within the framework of 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 category and age group.

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

4.4. Before 25.10.2024, National competition commissions (other competent authorities) send by e-mail **orgkonkurs@anticorruption.life** to the Organizer the Competition entries (posters, drawings, and videos) which were ranked first by the results of the national selection (in all categories and age groups), indicating their registration numbers, and information about their authors (surname, name, age, country, contact phone number and e-mail address) in order to organize their participation in the final of the Competition.

At the same time, National competition commissions (other competent authorities) submit to the Organizer the “10 best posters”, “10 best drawings”, 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).

The competent authorities of the states that do not participate in the examination and evaluation of Competition entries from their country ensure that they are sent to the Prosecutor General's Office of the Russian Federation no later than 10.10.2024, for selection by the National Competition Commission of the Russian Federation within the framework of the semi-finals.

#### 4.5. Final of the Competition (25.10.2024 – 20.11.2024).

The winners (I places) and awardees (II and III places) of the final of the Competition in each category 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 resource of the official website of the Competition [www.anticorruption.life](http://www.anticorruption.life).

A member of the International Jury from a particular state whose citizens are participants in the Competition may vote once for each of the entries that have made it to the finals on a point scale from 1 to 5 (5 is the highest score). At the same time, a member of the International Jury may not vote for entries of contestants from his or her country.

4.6. Winners and awardees in each category and age group are determined according to the highest average score based on the voting results of the International Jury.

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

The National competition commissions (other competent authorities) and the International Jury have the right not to recognize any of the Competition participants as the winner in a particular category and age group of the Competition, if their entries do not meet the criteria set out in paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2 of these Rules.

### **V. National competition commissions, International Jury of the Competition**

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

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

It is recommended that the National competition commissions include representatives of anti-corruption bodies, civil society institutions, higher educational institutions in the field of culture and art, and experts in the field of social advertising.

5.2. The Organizer forms the International Jury of the Competition, which includes one candidate each from the Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Armenia, the Prosecutor General's Office of the Republic of Belarus, the Prosecutor General's Office of the Kyrgyz Republic, the Prosecutor General's Office of the Russian Federation, the Agency for Combating Corruption of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Agency for State Financial Control and Combating Corruption of the Republic of Tajikistan. In addition, the Organizer of the Competition may invite high-level experts (heads of relevant international organizations), representatives of

competent, primarily anti-corruption, authorities of foreign states that are not parties to the Agreement on the Establishment of the Interstate Council to participate in the work of the International Jury of the Competition.

## **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 is 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, electronic certificates (to all participants of the Competition who meet the criteria set out in paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2 of these Rules) as well as other prizes determined by the Organizer and, if necessary, the Co-organizers of the Competition.

## **VII. Additional provisions**

7.1. By submitting an entry to the Competition, each participant guarantees that they are the copyright holders of the 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 an 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.

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 necessary changes to the Competition entries, provide the Competition entries with comments and explanations, use 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: 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 Competition in the “Contact Us” section.