

Federal State Unitary Enterprise Rossiya Segodnya International Information Agency (Rossiya Segodnya)

## **RULES**

of the 12<sup>th</sup> Andrei Stenin International Press Photo Contest

### Terms and definitions

**Contest** is a competition of several participants in photojournalism to identify the most outstanding Contest participants.

Full title of the Contest: 12<sup>th</sup> Andrei Stenin International Press Photo Contest.

For the purposes of these Rules, Contest refers to any event related to preparing and holding the Contest, including but not limited to the submission of a Contest Entry for participation, work of the Jury, news conferences, signing an Agreement with the winner, exhibiting the Entries by the Winners and Runners-up, and Entries awarded an Honorable Mention, etc.

**Expert Commission** is a group of specialists from among the Organizer's employees who conduct the initial selection of Photo Images submitted for the Contest, verification of Entries and their compliance with the Contest requirements as well as preparation of the Entries for Jury voting.

**Jury** means a group of leading photography experts invited by the Organizer for selecting the best Contest Entries and awarding Contest prizes.

**Photojournalism** is a specific kind of journalism that uses photography as the main form of expression.

**Photo Image** is the result of capturing and preserving an image with a camera, the final result of the photographic process. The term includes a series of photo images unless specified otherwise herein.

**Professional Photographer** is an individual whose main occupation is photography.

**Agreement with a Contestant** is a license agreement signed by the Contestant and the Organizer by way of the Contestant accepting an offer on the Organizer's Website.

**Agreement with the Winner** is a license agreement signed by the Winner/Runner-up/Contestant awarded an Honorable Mention of the Jury, as one party, and the Organizer, as the other party.

**Contestant** or **Contest Participant** is an individual who submitted a Photo Image for the Contest according to these Rules.

**Website** are websites of the Contest at www.stenincontest.com, <u>www.stenincontest.com</u>, <u>www.stenincontest.ru</u>.

**Contest Entry** or **Entry** is a Photo Image or series submitted by the Contestant to the Contest.

**Organizer** or **Contest Organizer** is the Federal State Unitary Enterprise Rossiya Segodnya International Information Agency.

**Offer** is a public offer published on the Website that includes the Organizer's invitation to individuals who wish to compete in the Contest to conclude an Agreement with a Contestant.

**Winner** is the Contestant whose Entry was judged to be the best in each Category by the Jury; a winner will be chosen in each nomination; a Grand Prize winner will also be chosen.

**Runner-up** is a Contestant whose Entry came in second or third in each category as a result of the Jury vote.

**Honorable Mention of the Jury** is a decision by members of the Jury to distinguish certain aspects of a Contest Entry.

**Rules** are these Rules of the 12<sup>th</sup> Andrei Stenin International Press Photo Contest.

**User** means an internet user who is registered (holds an account) of the following social network: VKontakte.

**Contest Partner** is a person or entity who shares the Goals of the Contest.

### 1. General provisions

These Rules contain Contest procedures, general selection criteria for Contest Entries and participation terms.

### 2. Purpose of the Contest

To promote and improve professional photojournalism in Russia and around the world.

#### 3. Contest objectives

- 3.1. To perpetuate the memory of Andrei Stenin, a Russian journalist and Rossiya Segodnya photo correspondent.
- 3.2. To support and promote high standards of photojournalism and documentary photography in Russia and around the world.
- 3.3. To promote photography and raise public awareness about photojournalism.
- 3.4. To support young photographers.

# 4. Contest participants

4.1. The Contest is open to Russian and foreign nationals who are professional photographers. Individuals designated as foreign agents in the Russian Federation and people affiliated with such person shall not be entitled to take part in he Contest.

The age limits for Contestants:

- all categories, except The Energy of Life, are open to Professional Photographers at least 18 and not more than 33 years old at the time of the submission of Photo Images to the Contest.
- Professional Photographers 34 years old and older can submit Entries in The Energy of Life category.
- 4.2. One Contestant may submit only one Photo Image and/or series of Photo Images in each Category (as defined by the Rules for the corresponding category).
- 4.3. Entry for the competition is free of charge. The selection of the Winners and Runners-up of the Contest is not accidental or random. The Contest is not a lottery.

#### 5. Contest categories:

### 1. Top News.

Important events in the lives of individuals and nations form the primary subject of Entries in this category: major political and social events, reports from the war zones and areas affected by natural disasters, and pivotal moments in people's lives.

### 2. My Planet.

This category features works that capture the vibrant diversity of themes and images from across the world. The author's task consists of presenting the everyday kaleidoscope of life in its enduring beauty and harmony, uniting scenes from people's daily lives, the hustle and bustle of big cities and small towns, landscapes, as well as ethnographic and religious celebrations.

### 3. Sports.

This category features single images capturing moments from the world of sport: triumphant victories and the drama of defeat, daily training sessions, and the beauty of sports competitions.

## 4. Portrait. A Hero of Our Time.

Entries in this category feature individual or group portraits of people. The Photo Images can be either documentary or posed. The defining criterion for this category is the photographer's ability to reveal

the inner world of their subjects, expressing their spirit and personality through the uniqueness of their appearance and overall image.

#### 5. Top View.

This category features single Photo Images taken from a bird's eye perspective. The Photo Images may depict plants and animals, urban life, people, scenes from everyday life or sporting events, as well as abstract compositions. The shooting angle is the defining factor in this category. Photo Images can be taken using a drone, a camera, or a mobile phone. We are looking for breathtaking views and captivating stories.

### 6. The Energy of Life

This category serves as a space for sharing personal perspectives and wide-ranging interpretations. It features Photo Image series reflecting the diversity of life in various iterations and manifestations. The author's task consists of conceptualizing and using visual means for conveying the impulses which make the world tick and evolve, while inspiring people to achieve their goals, aspirations and accomplishments.

In each of the following categories there is the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize for a single Photo Image and for a series of Photo Images, respectively: Top News, My Planet, Portrait. A Hero of Our Time.

In the Sports and Top View categories, the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes shall be awarded for single Photo Images only.

In The Energy of Life category, the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes shall be awarded for series of Photo Images.

**A Grand Prize shall be awarded** separately for the best Contest Entry among Contest Participants in all categories, except for The Energy of Life category, to be selected by a majority vote of the Jury.

In the event that no Photo Image submitted to the Contest complies with the Contest Rules, Winners and Runners-up will not be selected.

The Jury may award Honorable Mentions in addition to the main categories to not more than three Photo Images and not more than three series in each category.

In addition, this year's Contest Organizer may but has no obligation to hold an online vote among internet users for Contest Entries of Winners, Runners-up and Photo Images awarded an Honorable Mention. Information about a Contest Participant who gets the most User votes shall be displayed on the Website.

### 6. Preparing and holding the Contest

- 6.1. The Contest Rules and other organizational documents shall be published on the Website.
- 6.2. Forming an Expert Commission.
- 6.3. Forming the Jury.
- 6.4. Contest Participants shall use the Website to submit entry forms and Contest Entries.

#### 6.5. Expert Commission

The preliminary selection of Contest Participants and Entries shall be conducted by the Expert Commission to exclude Photo Images failing to comply with the Contest Rules and ensure that their creators do not become Contestants.

The selection of Contest Entries consists of reviewing them in terms of compliance with the requirements set forth in the Rules and the Russian law.

Entries will be disqualified at the prequalification stage if they:

- do not comply with the Contest theme and/or category, as well as with the objectives and purpose of the Contest

- contain unethical and/or obscene expressions/images and erotic and/or pornographic information
- contain obscene and/or abusive images, including those regarding an individual's sex, race, ethnic background, occupation, social background, age and native tongue, official state symbols (flags, state emblems and national anthems), religious symbols, and cultural heritage sites (monuments of history and culture)
- contain calls for violence, promote terrorism, extremism and fascism and incite ethnic, racial, religious and other strife
- contain advertisements
- offend the dignity of other Contest Participants or other persons
- infringe upon a third party's rights
- otherwise fails to comply with these Rules and/or Russian law.

By entering the Contest, the Contest Participant agrees that the Organizer reserves the right not to consider, without giving any reasons for doing so, the submitted Photo Images, if the Photo Images violate Russian law and/or do not comply with the international law and/or the requirements set forth in these Rules and/or other terms and conditions of the Contest. The Organizer as represented by the Expert Commission will, at its sole discretion, take a decision on whether a Photo Image submitted for the Contest complies with the Rules or not.

In the event of a dispute arising in connection with copyright to an Entry, the submitting Contest Participant shall automatically discontinue his or her participation in the Contest; and if such Entry is announced the Winner/Runner-up, the results of the vote will be canceled.

The Organizer reserves the right to verify the authorship and originality of Entries in any way it deems fit.

#### 6.6. The Jury

The Jury will select winners in each category in four rounds.

- First round: Qualification round to select Contest Entries for the semifinals out of all accepted entries.
- Second round: Selecting finalists.
- Third round: Selecting Winners and Runners-up.
- Fourth round: Selecting the Grand Prize winner.

The first round will consist of evaluating Contest Entries accepted for the Contest. Voting procedures shall be determined depending on the way the Jury operates. The Jury will vote to establish a list of Entries that will compete in the second round. Selection criterion: Entries that receive over 50 percent during a vote by the Jury make it into the second round.

The second round will consist of evaluating Contest Entries in order to select finalists. Voting procedures shall be determined depending on the way the Jury operates. The Jury will vote to establish a list of Entries that will compete in the Contest finals. Selection criterion: Entries with three or more votes from the Jury make it into the third round.

The third round will consist of evaluating Contest Entries to select Contest Winners and Runners-up. Voting procedures shall be determined depending on the way the Jury operates. The Jury will vote to establish a list of Contest Winners and Runners-up. Selection criterion for Winners and Runners-up: largest amount of the votes cast by the Jury. In the event of a toss-up (two or more Entries receive the same number of votes), the Jury President will make the final decision.

The fourth round will consist of the selection of the Grand Prize winner. All Contest Entries in all categories are eligible. Voting procedures shall be determined depending on the way the Jury

operates. Selection criterion: maximum number of votes cast by the members of the Jury. In the event of a toss-up (two or more Entries receive the same number of votes), the Jury President will make the final decision.

The Jury may award Honorable Mentions during the fourth round.

Contest results shall be recorded in a protocol signed by the president of the Jury.

- 6.7. Publication on the Website of information on Winners, Runners-up, and Contest Participants awarded an Honorable Mention without stating the place in the corresponding category (Shortlist).
- 6.8. Online vote by Users (depending on the Contest Organizer's decision)

In order to take part in the online vote, Users must register on the Website by using their account in the VKontakte social network.

An authorized User may vote for several Entries, with one vote per Entry, by pressing the Vote button under the Entry that the User believes to be the best on the Shortlist.

The winner of the online vote is a Contest Participant whose Entry has received the most User votes. Information about the winner in the online vote will be announced on the Website.

- 6.9 Announcement on the Website of Winners and Runners-up, as well as Contest Participants whose works were awarded Honorable mentions.
- 6.10. Awarding Prizes.
- 6.11. Exhibition of the Entries of Winners, Runners-up and Entries awarded an Honorable Mention.

#### 7. Contest terms

- 7.1. The Contest is held on the territory of the Russian Federation from December 22, 2025, to December 21, 2026 (including both dates).
- 7.2. Entry submission:

Entries can be submitted from December 22, 2025, 0:01 am (GMT+3).

The last day for entry will be February 28, 2026, 11:59 pm (GMT+3).

- 7.3. Information about the Winners, Runners-up and Contest Participants awarded an Honorable Mention in each category, without indicating the place in the corresponding category (Shortlist), shall be posted to the Website on June 17, 2026.
- 7.4. Online Voting (depending on the Contest Organizer's decision).

Online voting shall begin at 12:01 am (GMT+3) of July 1, 2026.

Online voting shall end at 11:59 pm (GMT+3) of July 31, 2026.

- 7.5. The winner in the online voting shall be announced on August 1, 2026.
- 7.6. Winners, Runners-up and Contest Participants awarded an Honorable Mention, stating specific places and prizes, as well as the Grand Prize shall be announced at the Awards Ceremony and on the Contest Website between September and November 2026 (the exact date to be announced on the Contest Website).
- 7.7. Awards shall be delivered within a timeframe and in the manner as set forth in Section 12 hereof.

#### 8. Entry submission and requirements

8.1. Photo Images for the Contest will be uploaded to the Website.

The Contestant must fill in the required forms posted on the Website (hereinafter referred to as the "Forms") when submitting Photo Images for the Contest, indicating the following:

- 1. E-mail address.
- 2. Name.
- 3. Family name and assumed name (if applicable).
- 4. Date of birth.
- 5. Place of birth.
- 6. Biography.
- 7. Telephone number.
- 8. Country of residence.
- 9. Region of residence (for Russia only).
- 10. City of residence.
- 11. Postal address.
- 12. Place of work (principal activity).
- 13. Name of organization/private contractor.
- 14. Address of organization.
- 15. Website of organization/Participant's website.
- 16. Where you learned about our contest.

When uploading each Photo Image, the Contest Participant shall fill out a form that includes the title of the Photo Image/Series and a detailed description of the pictured event in Russian or English.

All the Entries uploaded to the Website receive an ID and will be submitted to the Jury vote under the Contestant's code and Image ID. The Jury does not know the names of the Contestants before the announcement of the Winners and Runners-up.

- 8.2. Technical requirements for Entries and their presentation:
- JPG files with compression of 10 or higher and a size of at least 2,200 px by 5,700 px on the long side.
- File size: 20 Mb maximum.
- Files must contain all EXIF data.

Photo Images accepted for the Contest is all categories, except The Energy of Life category, must be created between the submission date and January 1, 2024. As an exception, a Series may be accepted that was started in the previous years; however, the last Photo Image in such Series must have been created in 2024–2025.

In The Energy of Life category, Photo Images created between January 1, 2020, and the submission date, shall be accepted as Entries.

Contest Participants can submit single Photo Images or a Series. The maximum number of Photo Images in a Series: twelve (12).

Minor processing of the Photo Images is allowed, including cropping, white balance correction, density correction (brightness, contrast).

Photo Images with a frame, collages, heavily processed Images shall not be accepted. Photo montage, erasing, replacing or changing of parts of Images are not acceptable.

The Organizer may request that the Contestant provide non-processed original electronic files of the Entry.

Photo Images shall not contain the name of the photographer, an organization or a reference to a published work, or any other information that may reveal the photographer's identity (this information must be provided by the accompanying description of a Photo Image rather than by the Photo Image itself).

### 9. Intellectual property

9.1. For the purposes of this Contest, Contest Participants grant the Organizer the right to use the Photo Images they submit to the Contest.

During the Contest, Contestants sign a license agreement with the Organizer to grant the Organizer the right to use the Photo Images (Agreement with a Contestant). Contest Participants conclude the Agreement with the Contest Organizer by accepting the Offer. Contest Participants who accepted the Offer grant the Organizer a non-exclusive license to use the Photo Images for the purposes of the Contest by the means stated in the Offer. The License to use the Photo Images is granted by the Contest Participant free of charge and from the date when the Contest Participant transfers the Photo Images to the Organizer by uploading them to the Website until the end of the Contest.

In some cases, the Organizer may request that the Contest Participant (including Winners and Runners-up) additionally sign documents confirming their agreement to grant a license to the Organizer regarding the Entries.

9.2. Winners, Runners-up and Contest Participants awarded an Honorable Mention shall sign a license agreement with the Organizer to grant the Organizer the right to use the Entries that were awarded prizes or an Honorable Mention (Agreement with the Contest Winner). The Agreement with the Contest Winner shall be drawn up in writing after the results of the Contest have been finalized.

Under the Agreement with the Contest Winner, Winners, Runners-up and Contest Participants awarded an Honorable Mention shall grant the Organizer free of charge a non-exclusive worldwide license to their Entries, and this includes the right to use the Entries worldwide in any way consistent with the applicable Russian laws and international norms throughout the entire exclusivity period of their Entries, as well as grant the Organizer any other rights and permissions under the Agreement with the Winner.

Within fourteen (14) business days of the date of the publication of the Shortlist on the Website, the Organizer shall send a draft Agreement with the Winner to each Winner, Runner-up and Contest Participant awarded an Honorable Mention using the email and/or postal address indicated in the Contestant's application form.

The Contest Winner/Runner-up shall, within seven (7) calendar days of the receipt of the draft Agreement with the Winner, sign two copies of the Agreement with the Winner and return it by post to the Organizer at the following address: 4 Zubovsky Blvd., Moscow 119021, as well as email a scanned copy of the Agreement with the Winner signed by the Winner/Runner-up/Contest Participant awarded an Honorable Mention to the following email address: <a href="mailto:info@stenincontest.com">info@stenincontest.com</a>.

The Organizer shall not be held liable for the non-receipt of the draft Agreement with the Winner by a Contest Participant in the event that the Contest Participant provided incorrect contact details as well as due to the Contest Participant's email failure or any other circumstances beyond the control of the Organizer.

If during this period of time the Organizer is unable to contact the Winner/Runner-up/Contest Participant awarded an Honorable Mention using the contact details provided by the Winner/Runner-Up/Contest Participant awarded an Honorable Mention to the Organizer, and the Winner/Runner-up/Contest Participant awarded an Honorable Mention does not contact the Organizer within seven

(7) calendar days from the publication of the Shortlist on the Website or refuses to sign an Agreement with the Winner, the Organizer may, but is under no obligation to, select another Winner/Runner-up/Contest Participant awarded an Honorable Mention from the list of Contestants who will have the next closest number of Jury votes to the number received by the earlier selected Winner/Runner-up/Contest Participant awarded an Honorable Mention.

For the purposes of concluding an Agreement with the Winner, Winners, Runners-up and Contest Participants awarded an Honorable Mention shall provide the Organizer copies and originals (for review) of the following documents:

- Passport or other form of ID of the Winner/Runner-Up/Contest Participant awarded an Honorable Mention;
- Pension insurance card (for Russian citizens).
- 9.3. By submitting an Entry to the Contest, each Contest Participant guarantees that he/she created the Entry independently, not as part of a work assignment (the Entry is a work not made for hire) and owns exclusive rights to the Entry.
- 9.4. Provisions of this section of the Rules are not exhaustive. In cases when the Contest Participant must accept the Offer or sign an agreement, the terms of the Offer or the agreement will prevail over these Rules. If the Contest Participant does not agree with the terms of the Rules or other documents suggested for acceptance or signature by the Organizer, the Contest Participant must withdraw from the Contest.

### 10. Contest Jury

The Jury consists of prominent photography experts. The list of the Jury members will be published on the Website.

The Jury shall evaluate all Photo Images selected by the expert commission and name the Winners, Runners-up and Contest Participant awarded an Honorable Mention based on the subjective personal opinions of Jury members and guided by the following criteria: originality, integrity, creative approach and being in compliance with the Contest requirements for the theme and/or category. The jury shall be independent when making its choices. Influencing the Jury in any matter is strictly prohibited.

#### 11. Contest prizes

The Grand Prize winner will receive RUB 700,000 (seven hundred thousand).\*

The first-place winner in each category for an individual Photo Image or a Series of Photo Images will receive RUB 125,000 (one hundred twenty-five thousand).\*

The second-place winner in each category for an individual Photo Image or a Series of Photo Images will receive RUB 100,000 (one hundred thousand).\*

The third-place winner in each category for an individual Photo Image or a Series of Photo Images will receive RUB 75,000 (seventy- five thousand).\*

No special prizes will be awarded to Entries awarded the Honorable Mention of the Jury, as well as the winning Entry in the online vote.

Contest Sponsors and/or Partners may also offer additional prizes.\*\*

<sup>\*</sup> In keeping with the laws of the Russian Federation, the Organizer shall be recognized as a tax agent when holding the Contest, which implies assessing and withholding taxes in the amount and in the manner as required by the laws of the

Russian Federation. This section sets forth the amount of awards to be paid to the Winners/Runners-up after withholding taxes according to the applicable laws of the Russian Federation.

\*\*The relationship regarding additional prizes from the Contest Sponsors/Partners exists directly between a Contestant and a Contest Sponsor/Partner. No demands regarding the additional prizes instituted by a Contest Sponsor/Partner may be placed on the Organizer.

### 12. Contest results and awarding Winners and Runners-up

12.1. The list of Winners and Runners-up shall be published on the Website in an order not related to their ranking on June 17, 2026.

Winners, Runners-up and Contest Participants awarded an Honorable Mention, The Grand Prize winner will be announced, including their specific places and awards, at the Awards Ceremony to be held in Moscow between September and November 2026 (the exact date will be indicated on the Website of the Contest).

- 12.2. The Contest Winners and Runners-up shall submit to the Organizer a signed application for transferring the Award, which shall include their bank details (hereinafter referred to as the "Application") within three (3) months from the date set forth in Par. 7.6 hereof and in addition to the documents listed in Par. 9.2, along with other documents as requested by the Organizer for transferring the Prize as per the laws of the Russian Federation.
- 12.3. The transfer of the Award to the account of Winners /Runners-up may be carried out by the Contest Organizer, as well as by one of the Contest Partners.
- 12.4. The Organizer (Contest Partner) shall present the Contest Award by transferring the corresponding amount to the settlement accounts as provided by the Winner or Runner-up in the Application within six (6) months from the date the Winner or Runner-up submits the documents listed in Pars. 9.2 and 12.2 hereof. The payment of the Award shall be carried out in the currency of the Award (Russian ruble) or in one of the currencies freely convertible within the territory of the Russian Federation at the exchange rate as of the payment date set by the bank of the Organizer (or Contest Partner).

In exceptional cases, the procedure for presenting Contest Awards may be changed by agreement between the Winner/Runner-up and the Competition Organizer.

Awards may not be swapped for other Awards. In the event of a refusal to accept an Award, the Award may not be changed for another one. Unclaimed Awards will not be stored and Awards may not be claimed after the deadline specified herein. The Organizer will keep all unclaimed Awards and use them at its discretion.

For the avoidance of doubt, an Awards shall be deemed unclaimed by the Winner/Runner-up if the Winner/Runner-up fail to submit documents listed in Pars. 9.2 and 12.2 hereof on time.

12.3. Following the Contest, a photo album will be published containing the Entries by Winners, Runners-up, and Contest Participants awarded an Honorable Mention.

### 13. Liability of Contest Participants and the Contest Organizer

- 13.1. The Contest Organizer shall ensure confidentiality of the personal data received from the Contest Participants for the purposes of the Contest and secure processing of these data while performing its obligations under these Rules as required under Russian and European law on personal data.
- 13.2. Contest Participants shall be liable for the accuracy of the data included in their Forms. In the event of a breach, the Organizer may deprive the Contest Participant of the right to participate in the Contest.

- 13.3. The Organizer shall not be held liable for the:
- failure or disruption of computer networks, communication networks and data transfer;
- technical failures or disruption on the Website if not caused by the Organizer;
- copying and distributing of the Photo Images from the Website by third parties;
- inability of the Contest Participants to find the list of Winners, Runners-up and Contest Participants awarded an Honorable Mention due to any reasons unrelated to the Organizer;
- non-receipt /untimely receipt of the information required to receive the Award by the Contest Participants due to his or her own doing or the fault of a communications operator or other reasons beyond the Organizer's control;
- failure to perform (untimely performance) of the obligations hereunder by the Contest Participants;
- non-receipt of the Awards by the Winners/Runners-up if the Awards were not collected within the period stated in the Rules or due to a Winner/Runner-up's refusal to receive his or her award;
- life, health issues, moral and/or mental traumas of the Contest Participants due to his or her participation in the Contest.
- 13.4. Contest Participants shall be held liable, according to the current laws of the Russian Federation, for the violation of the rights and legal interests of third parties and in cases of any claims and/or lawsuits against the Organizer by third parties and will compensate the Organizer for any resulting damages, including, among others, any legal expenses incurred by the Organizer in relation to settling such claims and/or lawsuits.
- 13.5 The Organizer's liability for award-giving is limited by the number and choice of Awards specified herein.

#### 14. Final Provisions

- 14.1. By participating in the Contest, the Contest Participants agree that their names, assumed names and other data may be used by the Organizer and authorized persons for advertising purposes and to inform the public about the Contest worldwide, without any payment or remuneration to the Contest Participant and for an unlimited time. By participating in the Contest, the Contest Participants agree to provide their personal data (including those stated in the Form) for processing in relation to the Contest, including collection, recording, sorting, accumulation, storage, clarification (updating and amending), extraction, using, including for authorization on the Website, as well as for sending Contest-related messages, presenting the Awards, individual communication with the Contest Participants in relation to the Contest, transfer (distribution provision, access), depersonalization, blocking, deleting, destroying of personal data in relation to the Contest. Contest Participants also agree that their personal data, e.g., their full name or pseudonym, biography and city of residence, will be published if the Organizer decides to publish such information about the Contest Participants with the view to informing the public about its efforts to prepare, hold the Contest and announce its results. The Organizer shall destroy or depersonalize personal data of the Contest Participants that is stored in any format when the goal of the processing has been achieved, with the exception of the final documents that shall be stored for five years along with publication of the Contest results.
- 14.2. Any person wishing to participate in the Contest must, while submitting a Photo Image to the Contest, read and agree with the Rules and the Offer. By accepting the Rules, the Contest Participant confirms and agrees that
- The Photo Images submitted to the Contest will not be returned and no review will be provided.
- The Organizer reserves the right to reject a Participant without explaining the reasons for the rejection;

- The Participant is eligible for the Contest;
- The submitted information about the Contest Participant and the Photo Images is correct;
- He or she allows the Organizer, under Article 152.1 of the Russian Civil Code, to create, publicize and further use the Photo Images of the Contest Participant (including photo and video) without limitation regarding the term and area of use;
- He or she covers all the expenses related to participation in the Contest (including without limitation the cost of the Internet access) apart from those directly stated in the Rules such as expenses covered by the Organizer.
- 14.3. Relations between the Organizer and the Contest Participants in connection with the Contest shall be governed by the laws of the Russian Federation.

## 15. Organizer's contact details

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