

INTERNATIONAL CONTEST “OTHER SONGS”

RULES 2006

1. OBJECTIVE

“OTHER SONGS” is a song contest inspired by peace and intercultural dialogue organised by Fondazione Laboratorio Mediterraneo (FLM) with the support of the European Commission (Direction General External Relations). The objective of the contest is to favour mutual knowledge and understanding between the peoples of the two rivers of the Mediterranean through music, instrument of dialogue and knowledge.

Will be admitted to the contest authors from countries of the European Union and from countries of the Southern river of the Mediterranean: Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia and Turkey.

The FLM will select maximum 10 songs. The Prizes will be:

- First Prize: **1.500 euros**
- Second Prize: **1.000 euros**
- From third to tenth: **600 euros**

Selected songs will be diffused on the Internet on www.euromedcafe.org as from December 2006.

Particular attention will be given to those works that:

- Underline the importance of dialogue and tolerance in the relations among peoples and cultures;
- Give a new look, original and innovative about themes such as integration, immigration, menaces of conflict;
- Enhance the knowledge and understanding of other cultures as a way to fight against prejudices, clichés, stereotypes, sources of conflicts and misunderstandings;
- Deal about collective imaginaries and mutual representations;
- Underline the diversity and richness of peoples of both sides of the Mediterranean;
- Attach importance to the right to difference.

2. RULES OF THE CONTEST

Eligible authors. The authors must be from the European Union or from Mediterranean countries: Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia and Turkey.

Prize An international jury will award the Prizes to a maximum of 10 songs. Selected songs will be accessible on the site www.euromedcafe.org.

Admitted genres: Songs will be free of rights for Internet diffusion.

Non admitted genres: publicity, games and works which have pornographic texts or that offends Persons, Public Institutions or States.

Duration: The duration of the songs must be comprised between 2 and 5 minutes.

Formats: The songs must be sent by email in MP3 format (128 kbps or more) by filling the on line form. The participant will be able to insert their personal data a brief bio and attach the song in MP3 format.

Languages: the texts of the songs can be written in any language spoken in the European Union, Arabic, Turkish or Hebrew. Participants must enclose the translation of the texts in one of the following languages: Arabic, English, French or Italian.

Registration and dates: registration fees are not required. Registration is limited to 4 songs by author. Works must be sent by e-mail together with the registration form.

The work must be accompanied by:

- The registration form duly completed;
- The text of the song in Arab, English, French or Italian.

All submissions must be sent no later than: 15 OCTOBER 2006. Works to be received after the date will not be accepted.

3. JURY

The President of the Fondazione Laboratorio Mediterraneo will appoint an international jury to be integrated by composers. This jury will assess the songs.

The Direction of the contest will decide about the eligibility of the works which may accede (respect of the theme and the formats). Selection criteria have been announced under title 1 of the present regulation.

4. AUTHORISATION

The winners of the contest engage themselves to authorise the Fondazione Laboratorio Mediterraneo to host and diffuse the songs, its text and a photograph of the author freely on the site www.euromedcafe.org.

5. SELECTION AND JURISDICTION

The participation in the contest "OTHER SONGS" implies the acceptance without reservation of the terms of the present regulations. Should there be any interpretation problem from the present regulation, the Italian version will be considered final. Any issue relative to the observance or interpretation of the present regulation of these provisions will be decided by the Courts of Naples, domicile of the promoter.

Organisers will ask authors whose works have been retained to send a picture in *.j.peg or *.tif , 300 dpi to be inserted in the site.

6. GENERAL DISPOSITIONS

Independent from the original format songs will be diffused on the Internet on the site www.euromedcafe.org.

Any eventual expedition costs will be on the chare of the expeditor.

All songs with racist, pornographic or defamatory content will be systematically refused. Authors who submit a work declare that they own the rights to be diffused on the Internet. By participating to the contest, the author guarantees for the Fondazione Laboratorio Mediterraneo and takes away the latest from any responsibility, ensuring that the diffusion of the song on the site www.euromedcafe.org will not prejudice third rights.

The direction of the contest "OTHER SONGS" may take decisions relative to issues not foreseen in the present regulation.