

2018 PEACE AND COOPERATION AND CTBTO GLOBAL SCHOLAR ART CAMPAIGN FOR A SAFER WORLD - JOIN FORCES WITH THE CTBTO

The Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO) and Peace and Cooperation are calling for the 2018 Global Scholar Art Campaign: "For a Safer World - Join Forces with the CTBTO".

The CTBTO is an international organization established by the States Signatories to the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (CTBT) on 19 November 1996 and has its headquarters in Vienna, Austria.

The CTBT, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in resolution 50/245 (http://www.undocs.org/A/RES/50/245), bans nuclear explosions by everyone, everywhere: on the Earth's surface, in the atmosphere, underwater and underground. The objective of the organization is to achieve the object and purpose of the Treaty, to ensure the implementation of its provisions, including those for international verification of compliance with the Treaty, and to provide a forum for consultation and cooperation among Member States.

Nuclear tests, besides being extremely dangerous to human beings, are also detrimental to the environment. The global alarm system of the CTBTO, the International Monitoring System (IMS)— designed to detect all nuclear explosions—can also contribute towards scientific research and civilian applications. The huge amount of data collected by the stations can also be used for other purposes than detecting nuclear explosions. They can provide tsunami warning centres with almost real-time information about an underwater earthquake, thus helping to warn people earlier and to save lives. During the March 2011 Fukushima power plant accident, the network's radionuclide stations tracked the dispersion of radioactivity on a global scale. The data could also help us better understand the oceans, volcanoes, climate change, whale migration, and many other issues.

APPEAL FOR A SAFER WORLD - JOIN FORCES WITH THE CTBTO

CTBTO and Peace and Cooperation launches an appeal to students all over the world to increase public awareness of this vital issue: putting an end to nuclear explosions and working together for a safer world, as well as working towards implementing the Sustainable Development Goals (http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/). The many scientific and civilian applications of the CTBTO's IMS data can inspire the younger generation to promote the work of the CTBTO and the importance of the CTBTO's global verification system.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The global Scholar Art Campaign will be organised in three categories:

• Drawings for students aged 5 to 7

Students will be invited to draw "the most beautiful landscape they have ever seen, a picture evoking happiness and peace, which would be affected by nuclear testing".

• Posters for students aged 8 to 12

Students will be invited to draw a poster to raise awareness (i) of the need to prevent any future nuclear tests, or alternatively, (ii) of the benefits of the IMS data and possible contributions to scientific research and disaster risk reduction.

• Murals for students aged 13 to 17

Students will be invited to draw a mural (i) that depicts a world free from nuclear explosions, or alternatively, (ii) to raise awareness of the benefits of the IMS data and possible contributions to scientific research and disaster risk reduction.

LANGUAGES

The entries can be submitted in English, French or Spanish.

ART SUBMISSION, DEADLINE

Entries must be submitted by the 15th April 2019, by e-mail: pazycooperacion@hotmail.com

All entries submitted will have to include name, surname, age at the time of doing the work, school address, phone number and/or email of all the participants.

For the sending of images which exceed 10 MB through e-mail we suggest using WeTransfer.com.

Award-winning artists will subsequently be required to mail their art pieces to Peace and Cooperation to the following address:

PAZ Y COOPERACION Calle de Meléndez Valdés, 68, 28015 Madrid - Spain

The works will NOT be returned to their authors. The art works will become part of the Peace and Cooperation and CTBTO public information material.

JOINT SELECTION OF AWARD-WINNING WORKS

The CTBTO and Peace and Cooperation will jointly select and decide on the award-winning works. The judging process and selection of award-winning art works shall be concluded by 1 May 2019 in order to allow enough time for preparing materials for the award ceremony on 24-28 June 2019.

AWARD CEREMONY

The official ceremony will take place in Vienna, in June 2019, as a side-event to the CTBTO Science and Technology Conference 2019 (SnT19) which will take place from 24 to 28 June 2019. A special exhibition with the artwork will also be displayed at SnT19 in Vienna from 24 to 28 June.

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