



Global Water Partnership

Central Asia and Caucasus



COMPETITION “PARTNERSHIPS AS A DRIVING FORCE FOR ACHIEVING WATER SECURITY”

This competition is devoted to celebrating the 25th Anniversary of Global Water Partnership (GWP).

The founder and organizer of the Competition is the Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus (GWP CACENA).

The competition is intended to draw the attention of the general public, water specialists, as well as professional journalists, to the role of partnership in solving a number of tasks to achieve water security.

The purpose of the competition is to popularize the issues of partnership in solving the problems of water resources management in the countries of Central Asia and the Caucasus at the regional, transboundary and country levels and to promote the Global Water Partnership for Central Asia and Caucasus (GWP CACENA).

Terms and Conditions

1. Eligibility

This competition is open to persons over 18 years of age as of the date of entry. Only residents of countries belonging to GWP CACENA (Azerbaijan, Armenia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan) eligible to participate.

Employees of Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus, as well Country Water Partnerships, and immediate family members are not eligible to participate.

2. Agreement to Rules

By participating, the Participant (You) agree to be fully unconditionally bound by these Rules, and represent and warrant that You meet the eligibility requirements.

3. Campaign Period

Entries will be accepted online starting at 00:00 on 22 March 2021 and ending 17:00 (Tashkent time zone) on 22 October 2021.

4. How to Enter

To participate, you should send materials to competition by email. Competitive materials together with a completed application should be sent to: infocacena2020@gmail.com, indicating the relevant subject. The application must meet all the requirements of competition. Entries that are incomplete or do not comply with rules or specifications may be disqualified at their sole discretion of Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus.

All materials (articles, photographs, other publications) must be original and testify to the authorship of the participant.

If Participant use fraudulent methods or otherwise attempt to circumvent the rules, Participant's submission may be removed from eligibility at the sole discretion of Global Water Partnership

Central Asia and Caucasus.

5. Requirements for the submission

The official languages of the competition are Russian and English. Materials in national languages are accepted if they are accompanied by translations into Russian or English.

Various materials published in the media (articles, television and radio programs / reports, television and radio interviews, photo reports, photographic materials) from March 22 to October 22, 2021 are accepted.

The competition is held on the basis of media materials covering various types of partnerships within the following themes:

- 1. Improving approaches to water resources management in the context of adaptation to climate change and environmental protection;**
- 2. Progress in ensuring access to safe drinking water and sanitation;**
- 3. The role of science, technological innovation and private investment in improving water resources management;**
- 4. Progress in involving civil society in water resources management.**

No more than 3 submissions in one (indicated above) thematic area are accepted from one participant.

The Participant has the right to amend or withdraw a submission by sending a written notification to the Organizing Committee before the expiration of deadline with the note "Introduction of changes".

For each thematic area, the following materials can be submitted:

- articles or series of articles published in the mass media;
- radio programs and radio stories;
- television materials, programs and videos;
- articles or series of articles published in online media, articles (posts) in blogs;
- photographs published in the media.

Photo materials must meet the following requirements:

- ✓ Photos should correspond to the themes, and be taken exclusively in the territory of Central Asia and the Caucasus.
- ✓ One and the same photo cannot be submitted in several categories.
- ✓ Photos must be accompanied by information about the shooting (the author's name, a description of the object depicted in the photo, a short history of the photo, the place where it was taken).
- ✓ Photos must be submitted in digital format (images in the form of scanned transparencies or high-resolution negatives are allowed). Digital files are provided in JPEG format. Image size - no less than 2500 and no more than 5700 pixels along its long side. This requirement does not apply to images shot with Smartphone. Image scaling upwards is not allowed.
- ✓ Photos should not have any copyright dies, added frames, watermarks, paintings, etc.
- ✓ The photograph processing should not distort the content of the picture. Minor digital adjustments are allowed, including hue and contrast, exposure, cropping, sharpening, noise reduction, slight trimming, HDR flattening. Stitched panoramic shots, focus stacking using multiple exposures taken from the same point at the same time, are allowed provided that the work does not violate the basic principles of the photograph's authenticity and does not distort the real picture of nature. Information about the photos that have been processed must be provided in the description of the photo.

- ✓ Adding or removing objects, animals or parts thereof, as well as plants, people, etc. are not allowed.

Photos submitted in unacceptable quality, or those authenticity raises questions, will not be accepted or will be disqualified.

Applications received after the official deadline are not considered.

6. Winner Selection and Notification:

Winner will be selected by jury determined by Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus.

The competition has 4 (four) stages:

1st stage: "Submitting" - from March 22 to October 23, 2021;

2nd stage: "Qualifying" - the Jury work. Applications that have received the highest marks from the Jury are admitted to the next stage - "Semi-final";

3rd stage: "Semifinal" - the Jury will determine the finalists (October 24 - November 10, 2021);

4th stage: "Final" - The winner will be selected on the basis of Internet voting at a meeting of the Jury (November 10 - December 10, 2021).

The Jury will be evaluating submissions on the following criteria (on a ten-point scale):

- Compliance of publications or stories etc. with the subject of the Competition and the specified thematic area;
- Orientation to a wide audience;
- Concreteness, clarity, accuracy and accessibility of text;
- Language, stylistics, video sequence, creative findings and artistry of performance.

Winners will be determined for each theme in the following nominations:

- Best publication in print media
- The best radio broadcast
- The best TV show
- Best online publication
- Best Photography (two podcasts: professional photography and "shot with a smartphone")

Winner will be notified by email and/or phone within five (5) days following selection of Winner. Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus shall have no liability for Winner's failure to receive notices due to spam, junk e-mail, or other security settings or for Winner's provision of incorrect or otherwise non-functioning contact information.

7. Rights Granted by Participant

By entering this content (e.g., photo, video, text, etc.), Participant understand and agree that Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus, anyone acting on behalf of Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus, shall have the right, where permitted by law, to print, publish, broadcast, distribute, and use in any media now known or hereafter developed, in perpetuity and throughout the World, without limitation, Participant's entry, name, portrait, picture, voice, likeness, image, and biographical information for news, publicity, information, trade, advertising, public relations, and promotional purposes. without any further compensation, notice, review, or consent. Additional condition: By entering this content, Participant represent and warrant that his/her entry is an original work of authorship, and does not violate any third party's proprietary or intellectual property rights. If his/her entry infringes upon the intellectual property right of another, Participant will be disqualified at the sole discretion of Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus. If the content of Participant's entry is claimed to constitute infringement of any proprietary or intellectual proprietary rights of any third party, he/she shall, at his/her sole expense, defend or settle against such claims. Participant shall indemnify, defend, and

hold harmless Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus from and against any suit, proceeding, claims, liability, loss, damage, costs or expense, which Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus may incur, suffer, or be required to pay arising out of such infringement or suspected infringement of any third party's right.

8. Organizer's Rights

Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the Campaign should virus, bug, non-authorized human intervention, fraud, or other cause beyond Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus control corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, or proper conduct of the Campaign. In such case, Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus may select the Winner from all eligible entries received prior to and/or after (if appropriate) the action taken by Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus.

Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual who tampers or attempts to tamper with the entry process or the operation of the Campaign or website or violates these Terms & Conditions.

9. Awards

Winners in all nominations will be included in the register of specialists covering the activities of national water partnerships and the Global Water Partnership Central Asia and Caucasus, and will also receive a contract for implementation of an information campaign or (as agreed) participation as a trainer in a media mobilization program.

10. Contact

For all questions related to participation, contact the Organizing Committee:
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