

REGULATIONS FOR COMPETITION

"Past and present of Russian-Norwegian cultural cooperation and interfusion"

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.1. These Regulations regulate the goal, objectives and procedure for holding the competition and determining the winners of the competition of students and postgraduates research works for the project "Russia and Norway - at the crossroads of epochs and cultures" ""Past and present of Russian-Norwegian cultural cooperation and interfusion" (hereinafter referred as - the Competition).

The competition is organized by Murmansk Arctic State University and Northern Character Production Center (hereinafter referred as - the Organizers).

Murmansk regional branch of the Russian Geographical Society is a partner in organizing the competition (hereinafter referred as - the Partner).

1.2. Basic notions of the Regulations:

Contestant - an individual or a group of individuals (no more than 1 person) who meet the conditions of the Competition and have submitted an application to the competition;

Submissions – written research paper, complying with the requirements of the competition and the submitted for participation in proper way;

Collection - a collection of research papers, consisting of selected texts and texts of the participants of the conference "Dialogue of two cultures: history and present of Russian-Norwegian cultural cooperation", held by the Organizer within the framework of the project;

laureate - a contestant, whose application was selected for publication in the collection;

2. PURPOSE, OBJECTIVES AND NOMINATIONS OF THE COMPETITION

2.1. The purpose of the Competition is to promote cultural diversity and public diplomacy in the northern regions, as well as to form intercultural competences of the participants.

2.2. Objectives of the Competition:

- to draw public attention to cultural cooperation in the northern regions;
- to develop and present students creativity, as well as and their scientific research skills;
- to support the contemporary forms of international cultural cooperation;
- to form a positive image of the northern territories in the internationalization context.

2.3. The competition is held in the nomination “The best research work of students and postgraduates on the topic "Past and present of Russian-Norwegian cultural cooperation and interfusion".

3. ORGANIZING COMMITTEE OF THE COMPETITION

3.1. The Organizing Committee (hereinafter - the Organizing Committee) is the executive body of the Competition.

3.2. The composition of the Organizing Committee is approved by the Organizer.

3.3. The function of the Organizing Committee is the organizational and technical support for the preparation and implementation of competitive procedures, including:

- legal and information support of the Competition;
- development and approval of the Regulations;
- formation of the Expert Council and organization of its activities;
- collection of applications, drafting the list of participants and presenting it for the Expert's consideration, counting the results, determining the winners and finalists;
- administration of information resources;
- organization and implementation of awarding the winners and finalists;

The members of the Committee should not disclose information about the applications and the laureates.

4. EXPERT COUNCIL OF THE COMPETITION

4.1. The Expert Council is an expert and analytical body of the Competition, consisting of at least 5 people.

4.2. The composition of the Expert Council is approved by the Chairman of the Organizing Committee.

4.3. The selection of members of the Expert Council (hereinafter referred to as the Experts) is carried out by open voting (by a majority of votes) of the Organizing Committee according to the lists of candidates presented by the members of the Organizing Committee. In case of equality of votes during voting, the decision is made by the chairman of the Organizing Committee.

4.4. The function of the Expert Council is an independent examination and evaluation of applications.

5. IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION PROCEDURES

5.1. The announcement about the Competition and the beginning of the competitive procedures is made by the Organizing Committee through the media, Partners and by publishing information on the Organizer's website.

5.2. The procedure for the competition includes the following stages:

- preliminary selection;
- expert assessment;
- voting by Experts.

5.3. The preliminary selection of competitors is carried out by the Organizing Committee by collecting the applications and assessing their compliance with the requirements.

The following requirements are set for the competitors and applications:

– individuals acting as a competitor must be students or graduate students of higher educational institutions of Russia or foreign countries ;

– contact information of the legal representative and the competitor must be valid until the end of the Competition;

– an application must be relevant to the purpose, objectives and nomination of the Competition;

– an application must be submitted before the deadline and in the format set in the Regulations (section 7);

– an application must be submitted in English, Russian or Norwegian language;

– the content of the application must not violate the current legislation of the Russian Federation, include deliberately false information, use obscene and / or rude language (including in a disguised form), offend or show disrespect to anyone in direct or indirect form;

– an application, according to the preliminary assessment of the Organizing Committee, must not be inferior in quality to other competitors.

Applications that do not meet the pre-selection requirements will no longer participate in the Competition.

5.3. Based on the results of the preliminary selection, the Organizing Committee forms the list of contestants who have passed the preliminary selection and submits them to the Expert Council.

In the interests of a comprehensive, objective and independent evaluation of the applications, the results of the evaluation of each Expert are not subject to publication, are stored in the Organizing Committee and can be destroyed no earlier than 60 days after the end of the Contest.

5.4. Based on the results of the expert assessment, the Organizing Committee forms a list of the contestants who have become laureates.

5.5. Based on the results of the vote of the Experts, the Organizing Committee determines the finalists from among the laureates.

6. DATES OF COMPETITION PROCEDURES

09.03 .2021	Start of the Competition
09.03.2021 - 28.03.2021	Submitting applications, preliminary selection
29.03.2021 - 31.03.2021	Expert review
01.04.2021 - 04.04.2021	Announcement of laureates and finalists
18.04.2021 - 20.04.2021	Awarding the finalists
20.04.2021	End of the Competition

7. PROCEDURE FOR SUBMITTING THE APPLICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPETITION

7.1. The applications and participant information are submitted to the email uksusov.mihail@masu.edu.ru

7.2. The applications are submitted within the time limits established by the Regulations (section 6).

7.3. Requirements for the application format:

- The text must be submitted in electronic format (Word, RTF format, 25 mm margins on all sides, Times New Roman font, size 14, one-and-half spacing).

- The volume of the text is up to 10 pages, excluding bibliography.

- The upper right corner the author's full name is written in bold italics (for example: S.A. Petrova). Further, under the full name, it is necessary to indicate the organization represented by the author. Then the title of the work in the center in capital letters in bold without abbreviations. After the abstract (2-4 sentences) and keywords are given.

- Word hyphenation on lines is automatic and no more than 3 in a row.). There is no page numbering. The list of references is given according to GOST 7.05-2008 in alphabetical order at the end of the article.

- The file is named with the author's surname.

- The organizing committee reserves the right to select materials and their partial editing, taking into account the theme of the conference. Each participant can submit no more than one article to the collection. Abstracts that do not meet the requirements will not be accepted for publication.

7.4. The Contestant has the right to refuse to participate in the Competition at any of its stages, having previously notified the Organizing Committee at least 3 (three) business days before the planned date of termination of participation in the Competition.

7.5. The copyright for the texts submitted as applications belongs to the contestants. In all cases involving the infringement of copyright when submitting an application for the competition, the responsibility rests with the contestant that sent the application. In the event of proven plagiarism, the application will be removed from the Competition.

The organizer is not responsible for copyright infringement by contestants and third parties.

The organizer reserves the right to use the applications for non-commercial purposes, but with the obligatory indication of the author's name.

8. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCEDURE OF EXPERT EVALUATION OF COMPETITORS

8.1. During the Competition, the Experts evaluate the applications according to the following indicators:

- originality and relevance of the research;
- following the principles of scientific research;
- completeness of the topic.

8.2. Each of the indicators for each application is evaluated by Experts on a five-point scale, where 1 point is the minimum grade, and 5 points is the maximum.

An expert assessment of the application by one expert is formed by summing the expert's assessments for each indicator of the application.

The final score of the application is formed by calculating the arithmetic average of experts' assessments of this application.

The decision on the laureates and finalists is made by the Organizing Committee. If only one application is submitted, the Competition is declared invalid.

8.3. It is not possible to appeal the results of the Competition.

9. CONDITIONS FOR AWARDING THE LAUREATES

9.1. The laureates are awarded at the organizer's expense.

9.2. The works of all the laureates will be published in the Collection and indexed in the RSCI.

9.3. Laureates will also receive a commemorative prize in the theme of the project "Russia and Norway - at the crossroads of epochs and cultures";

9.4. Also laureates currently residing on the territory of the Russian Federation, will have the opportunity to attend all the events of the project "Russia and Norway - at the crossroads of epochs and cultures" 18-21, April 2021 in Murmansk at the expense of the Organizer (accommodation, food and travel are covered). The host is not responsible for any accidents or unforeseen incidents that may occur during the visit to the events.

9.5. Laureates currently being on the territory a foreign state will get an opportunity for exchange studies in MASU for one semester without covered travel and accommodation expenses.

9.6. If it is impossible to contact the laureates or their legal representatives, the Organizing Committee of the competition reserves the right to revise the results of the competition.

10. FINAL PROVISIONS

10.1. By submitting the applications, the contestants and their legal representatives accept the terms of this Regulation.

10.2. The Experts, having given their consent to participate in the Expert Council, accept the terms of this Regulation.

10.3. The Organizer or the Organizing Committee has the right to refuse to hold the Competition in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation if it is determined that it is inexpedient to hold it, if it becomes necessary to clarify the conditions for the Competition, as well as in other justified cases. If the Organizer or the Organizing Committee makes a decision to refuse or terminate the Contest, a corresponding notification is posted on the website.

10.4. For all questions related to the organization, holding, summing up the results of the Competition or its individual stages, you must contact the Organizing Committee.