



## MILSET STEAM PHOTO CONTEST RULES 2020 Edition

### Goals and Objectives

- Engage youth in science, technology, engineering, arts, mathematics (STEAM) by:
  - Exploring visual aspects of STEAM through the art and science of photography
  - Capturing photo to demonstrate and communicate STEAM concepts and phenomena
  - Applying STEAM techniques to the capture of digital photos.
- Build a collection of STEAM photos by youth from around the world to be used by MILSET and its member organisations.

### Eligibility

- Youth between the ages of 13 and 25 as of [ November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020] are eligible.
- MILSET global and regional offices' staff, contest judges and their immediate family members cannot submit photos.

### Photo Eligibility

- Each contestant may submit a maximum of three photos for judging. An internet entry form must be completed
- Any photo that demonstrates communicates or explains a scientific, technological, engineering, or mathematical concept or phenomenon is eligible.
- The internet entry form requires the contestant to describe briefly the concept or phenomenon associated with each photo.
- Photos must be the sole work of the contestant.
- Photos must be captured using a digital camera – photos created by a software are not permitted
- Processing, including cropping and adjustments to correct or enhance exposure or colours, is acceptable; the addition, removal or distortion of significant content is not permitted.
- Photos must not include a watermark or descriptive text.

### Submission deadline

All photos and the Online Registration Form must be submitted for the 2020 edition by no later than November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.



## Description to be included with the photo

- Name and surname
- Date of Birth
- City and Country
- Email address
- Title (maximum of 60 characters)
- Brief plain language (**only in English**) description of the science concept or phenomena depicted in the photo. The explanation should be understandable for youth/students and the public. (Maximum 300 characters)

## Photo Format

- Colour or grayscale
- Minimum resolution: 2000 pixels wide
- Maximum file size: 10MB
- jpeg, png, psd, or tiff format

## Evaluation criteria

The submitted photos will be evaluated anonymously by a jury comprised of at least ten (10) persons recognised for their competence in the fields of photography, STEAM education or scientific communication to obtain the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places.

If the number of entries is significant, MILSET may conduct a pre-judging screening.

Entries will be judged on:

- Originality: creativity of the photo and/or photographic technique
- Informational content: effectiveness at communicating the phenomenon or concept
- Technical proficiency: focus, composition, depth of field, Photo processing
- Artistic and Visual Impact: aesthetic quality, visual and emotional appeal

Also, a People Choice Award will be selected through the best 10 photos in a voting process on MILSET social media platforms

## Awards

A maximum of 3 photos will be selected to receive awards:

- **First place:** A gift certificate of 250 €
- **Second & Third place:** An annual subscription to National Geographic magazine with an estimated cost of 49 USD

Additionally, the best 10 photos (including the winners) will be displayed and promoted during the Expo-Sciences International 2021, in Yucatan, Mexico, and through the MILSET SPC Virtual gallery on MILSET website.



## Publication rights and copyright

- If your entry is selected as a winning photo(s), you give MILSET non-exclusive, irrevocable, worldwide rights to use your name and the photo(s) in connection with the competition as MILSET sees fit.
- You certify and warrant that you hold the rights to grant such permission and agree to hold MILSET harmless in any disputes that arise out of photo ownership/rights.
- Photo copyright remains the property of the contestant even though permission to use the photo is given to MILSET.
- MILSET agrees to identify the photo's creator in its publications.

## Contestant agreement

- By submitting a photo to the MILSET STEAM Photo Contest, contestants agree to abide by the competition's official rules.
- I acknowledge that all decisions of competition organisers about any aspect of the competition, including eligibility or disqualification, are final and cannot be appealed.

## For more information

Please contact: [spc@milset.org](mailto:spc@milset.org)

Or consult our website at: <http://spc.milset.org>

## Where to send your Form and Photo(s)

<http://www.spc-registration.milset.org/>