

SIGNIS #iSeeHope Competition

On the occasion of its World Congress 2017 on the theme “Promoting stories of Hope”, SIGNIS, the World Catholic Association for Communications, is organizing a **video competition** for new talents! Participate, and win a cash prize of 1000€ as well as the opportunity for your production to be showcased worldwide through the SIGNIS network.

The #iSeeHope Competition aims at **showing Hope in the smallest places**. We live in a world full of bad news, negativism and sad images. SIGNIS believes in the future, and in the power of **media to create and show a better world**. This is why SIGNIS wants YOU to show that there is a lot of joy and hope in this world.

*Hope springs eternal. I see it in a new day...
I see it in the eyes of a child... or those of an old man...
I see hope in the midst of war...
in the face of hunger, in human yearning of every kind.
I see hope wherever I look.
Where do YOU see hope?*

SIGNIS wants to support new talents in the fields of video productions. The winner will be announced and promoted during the World Congress, in June 2017.

Eligibility

- Entrants to #iSeeHope must be of minimum 18 years and maximum 30 years of age at the time of the production of the video submitted to the contest.

Format

- All videos should be submitted as a file (“.mov” or “.mp4”) via a file hosting website like dropbox.com, WeTransfer, Google Drive, etc.
- All Videos must be in one of the following resolution: High Definition (HD), 1280x720p, 16 :9 Or Full HD (HDTV), 1920x1080p, 16 :9
- Videos that are not in English must have English subtitles.
- All videos must be between 1 and 3 minutes maximum of running time, including title and end credits.

Consent and Copyright

- All videos must be accompanied by a signed entry form.
- Entrants must obtain the consent of everyone appearing in their videos if their faces are recognizable.
- Entrants must obtain the consent of everyone whose copyrighted, patented or trademarked material, including music, appears or is included in their videos.
- Videos must have been completed after January 2017.

Subject

- No video may contain vulgarity, violence, defamatory language or any other subject deemed by SIGNIS to be inappropriate for the tone of the competition.
- Videos must pertain to the topics of hope, positivism, and joy.
- Videos may be of whatever type, style or genre that the entrant wishes – animated, documentary, drama, music video, comedy etc.
- Videos should reflect the aims of SIGNIS, which is to promote a Culture of Peace through the media.

Use of the Video

- The makers of the videos will continue to own the rights of their videos, except for the winning video, but when they submit the video to the #iSeeHope competition, they agree that SIGNIS and its partners have unlimited use of the video in all formats and platforms.
- The winner promises to assign the exploitation rights of the video to SIGNIS.
- SIGNIS and its associated partners reserve the right to show any submitted videos a limitless, number of times in whatever format they deem fit in order to further the educational aims of SIGNIS.
- SIGNIS and its associated partners reserve the right to use the videos and the video makers' names or likenesses in any SIGNIS related promotional or advertising venture without compensation to the entrant.
- The makers of the video agree to the possibility of wide multi-platform distribution of their work, including broadcast, satellite, internet, film festivals and DVD.

Submissions

- All entries must include a fully completed and signed entry form.
- When submitting through a file hosting website, participants should send an email to signiscompetitions@gmail.com. In the subject line write SIGNIS #iSeeHope Competition, and the text mail should include:
 - Title of the videos
 - Name of the authors
 - Address/link for download of the video
 - Contact email
- Participants must follow these instructions or risk their entry not being accepted.
- The Entry Form must also be included as an attachment to the email. Videos will not be accepted without the Entry Form completed and signed.
- Entrants must inform SIGNIS if their contact information changes at any time between submitting their video and the announcement of the competition winner.

Deadline

- File hosting website must be received by SIGNIS before Midnight (Brussels Time GMT + 1) on May, 1st, 2017.
- Entries received after this time will not be considered for the #iSeeHope Competition .

Prize and Award

- The SIGNIS JURY AWARD prize will be awarded to one contestant
- The winner will receive 1000€ and his/her video will be showcased worldwide through SIGNIS network and members.
- Winning entrant will be notified no later than June, 1st, 2017.

Jury

- The Jury will be composed of recognized professional in the field of cinema and television.

SIGNIS reserves the right to modify the contest prizes and its rules and regulations as and when necessary, without prior notice.