

The Deputy of International Affairs at Imam Khomeini International University (IKIU) holds



### Themes for the competition (Photography and writing)

#### 1-Environment and the Caspian Sea

- (a) Environmental threats to the Caspian Sea ecosystem
- (b) Sustainable development and green economy of the Caspian Sea
- (c) Pollutants in the Caspian Sea

#### 2-Cultural convergence

- (a) Cultural diversity of the Caspian Sea nations
- (b) Tourist attractions and the Caspian Sea

#### About the competition:

All students of member universities of this Association can take part in this event. The secretariat of the competition is the student committee which is located at Imam Khomeini International University. The selected works will be awarded during the 25<sup>th</sup> meeting of the presidents of the member universities which will be held at Dagestan State University. (city of Makhachkala, Russian Federation).

#### Timetable

**Submission deadline:**  
**6 September 2023**  
**Announcement of results**  
**after judging:**  
**22 September 2023**

#### Prizes

**First winner:** award statue certificate of appreciation and cash prize.

**Second winner:** certificate of appreciation and cash prize.

**Third winner:** certificate of appreciation and cash prize

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The second student competition for  
Association of State Universities of Caspian Sea Region Countries  
(Photography and writing)

**Themes of the competition**

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**About the Competition**

The aim of the competition is to enhance international activities among the student members of the Association , and to familiarize them with its goals and missions, and to create enthusiasm and diversity in the activities of the Association by holding cultural, sports, and scientific competitions, and to prepare the ground for the development of student exchanges among member universities and to introduce local customs and cultures to people who live in the region of the Caspian Sea through photography and writing competitions. The 2023 Caspian Sea State University Association competition will be held under the following conditions:

- ❖ All students of member universities of this Association can take part in this event.
- ❖ The secretariat of the competition is the student committee which is located at Imam Khomeini International University (IKIU)
- ❖ The competition will be judged by a committee of judges selected by the student committee of the Association
- ❖ Works will be submitted to the judging committee by the competition secretariat and will be sent to the judges anonymously and solely with a specific code to ensure impartiality

❖ The selected works will be awarded during the 25<sup>th</sup> meeting of the presidents of the member universities which will be held at Dagestan State University (city of Makhachkala, Russian Federation)

### Conditions for participating in the photography competition

- Photos should be sent with a minimum large side of 3000 pixels, with 300 dpi resolution and with good quality
- The file size of the submitted image should be between 3 to 10 megabytes with the JPG extension and in RGB mode
- Any manipulation that distorts the factual basis of the photo is not accepted.
- Manipulation or staging of submitted photos will not be accepted.
- Only adjustments to color and light are allowed when editing photos
- The camera specifications must be visible in the submitted photos
- Each person is allowed to submit up to 4 single photos
- If someone wants to send more than one photo, they can submit a maximum of 4 to 8 photos
- The submitted work must have been taken in 2023.
- The submitted work should not promote racial or national superiority, or insult the culture and civilization of any other nations.
- The submitted photo should have a maximum of 40 words in caption and a description of the subject of the photo
- The submitted photos should not have any signatures, passports, frames, dates, watermarks, logos, or any other marks.
- The photographer's information (name, last name, university name, contact number, and email address) should be written in Persian, English, or Russian on a separate page.

### Conditions for participating in the writing competition

- The writing can be in Persian, English, or Russian, not previously published in a magazine, and not simultaneously submitted to other publications
- The size of the writing should not exceed 5000 words
- The writing should be the result of the individual's own research, and its authenticity will be verified
- Students in different academic levels are eligible to participate in the writing competition

- Each writing is accepted with a maximum of 2 authors, of which the first author must be a student
- The author or authors' information (name, university name, contact number, and email address) should be written in Persian, English, or Russian on a separate page, and the corresponding author should be marked with an asterisk
- Persian articles should be typed using the B Lotus font size 12, and the English abstract using the Times New Roman font size 12, and Russian articles using the Times New Roman font size 12.

### How to submit your works

Prepare the work and a PDF file containing the participant's information as described above and send it to the email address [festival.intl@pst.ikiu.ac.ir](mailto:festival.intl@pst.ikiu.ac.ir)

By submitting the work, the author declares ownership of it. The secretariat of the student committee of the Association is not responsible for any violation of the work's intellectual property.

The secretariat of the student committee of the Association is allowed to use received information and works for publishing in books, other publications and exhibitions, provided that the name of the owner of the work is mentioned.

The secretariat of the competition has the right to use the works submitted to the competition for publication in newspapers, media, virtual media, university website, and other channels, while ensuring that the author's intellectual property rights are preserved.

By submitting the work, the author accepts all the competition rules and assigns ownership of the work. In case of unanticipated circumstances, the secretariat of the student committee of the Association has right to make any decision.

### Important dates

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## Prizes

First winner: award statue of the 25<sup>th</sup> session of the Association of State Universities on the Caspian Sea, certificate of appreciation, and cash prize.

Second winner: certificate of appreciation and cash prize

Third winner: certificate of appreciation and cash prize

The exhibition of selected works will be held concurrently with the 25<sup>th</sup> session of the Association of State Universities on the Caspian Sea at Dagestan State University (city of Makhachkala, Russian Federation)

The results of the competition will be announced on the website of the Association on <http://asucs.ikiu.ac.ir>

The secretariat of the student competition has responsibility of making decision in unanticipated situations.

The secretariat of the Student Competition of the Association of State Universities on the Caspian Sea has to send the competition results to the Iranian secretariat of the Union at the specified time for necessary coordination

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