

# International EU-CONEXUS School Contest

THINK SMART, CREATE GREEN



## EUCONEXUS

European University for Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability



#### What is the contest about?

EU-CONEXUS 'European University for Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability' covers the smart urban sustainable coastal development from a global point of view.

One of our main goals and activities is raising the awareness about the challenges faced by urbanised areas at the coasts in Europe and inspiring the society to look for the solutions to apply environment-friendly principles in their daily life.

In this international contest EU-CONEXUS invites you to become the creators of a future that we all want to live in. Share with your schoolmates, nationally and internationally, your ideas, dreams and aspirations about the future of your city.

#### Why participate?

#### **FOR PUPILS**

- Learn about environmental sustainability
- Help your city to stay green
- Improve your English language skills
- Get to know other countries and cultures
- Team up with your classmates and teachers
- Discover your creativity and develop your IT skills
- And have fun!

#### FOR TEACHERS

- Include environmental sustainability in your curricula
- Inspire pupils to be socially responsible
- Create strong bonds with your pupils
- Develop your project management skills
- Make your classes more interactive
- Make links with other European schools
- And enjoy the experience!

#### How to participate?

Make a team consisting of 4 pupils and 1 teacher. Follow the guidelines that correspond to your age group. Choose between the two topics in order to inform society about the importance of coastal sustainability in your region.

#### PUPILS AGED 13-14 (BORN IN 2007)

1) Design a poster in which the atributes of sustainable city are featured using drawings in a landscape format and the dimensions must be 120 cm x 90 cm.

or

2) <u>Tell a story in photographs</u> about the Sustainable coastal tourism and economy: printed, format 20 cm x 30 cm

#### **PUPILS AGED 14-15 (BORN IN 2006)**

1) Make a short video with coastal residents talking about the quality of coastal life (with the emphasis on sustainability): up to 10 minutes; video format: 3GP, AAC, AVI, FLV, MP4, MOV and MPEG-2.

or

2) <u>Design a smart rubbish bin</u> for your school: open up your imagination.

- All works have to be original. If the music and images are not original, the participants are required to have permission to use them.
- All works have to be in English. Video may be in the local language with English subtitles.
- The pre-selected teams will present their projects in English to national and international jury.
- Selection criteria:
- quality of the work and respect of the established rules,
- creativity and originality,
- the way environmental sustainability has been tackled in the project,
- oral capacities to present the project in English (fluency and clarity).
- The contest is open to all schools of EU-CONEXUS regions.

#### Make smart decisions today for a sustainable tomorrow!

#### What do you win?

#### THE CONTEST IS ORGANISED IN 3 STAGES:

#### 1. Pre-selection

The 10 best projects will be pre-selected per each age group.

#### 2. National winner selection

The pre-selected teams will present their projects to the national jury. One winner team per age group will be nominated to participate in the international competition.

#### 3. International winner selection

The national winners will present virtually their projects to the international jury. One winner team per age group will be awarded as the international winner of the EU-CONEXUS contest.

### THE INTERNATIONAL WINNER TEAMS WILL RECEIVE\*:

Winners of the age group 13–14 (born in 2007)

A trip to an EU-CONEXUS city of your choice:

- Athens (Greece)
- Bucharest (Romania)
- Klaipeda (Lithuania)
- La Rochelle (France)
- Zadar (Croatia)
- Valencia (Spain)

Winners of the age group 14-15 (born in 2006)

A trip to Brussels (Belgium) with a guided visit to the European Parliament.









<sup>\*</sup> in case of travel limitations due to COVID-19 or any other force majeure, the international prize may be substituted by another one of equivalent value.

#### **NATIONAL WINNER TEAMS:**

Will receive EU-CONEXUS sustainable presents.

#### **ALL PARTICIPANTS**

Will receive certificates of attendance. Even winner or not you will have the opportunity to live this fascinating experience and gain knowledge about the sustainable development of their region.

#### Contest calendar

Deadline of teams' registration\*:

30/11/2020

Poster, video etc. submission deadline:

01/03/2021

Announcement of the 10 best works per age group:

20/03/2021

Projects' presentation to the national jury:

29/03/2021

National winners (1 per group) announcement by the partner university:

29/03/2021\*\*

Virtual projects presentation to the international jury:

20/04/2021\*\*

International winners (1 per group) announcement by the EU-CONEXUS European University:

20/04/2021\*\*

#### Contact

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#### Take your chance for change: step in today for sustainable tomorrow













<sup>\*</sup> Please download the application form & send it completed to your local university representative.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The date may change for organisational reasons.