Category 2: pupils aged 14-17

Introduction

EU-CONEXUS ‘European University for Smart Urban Coastal Sustainability’, formed by 9 European partner universities, is a transnational European higher education and research institution that studies smart urban coastal sustainable development from a global point of view.

EU-CONEXUS European University is also developing workshops and seminars for high schools and as part of this outreach, we deliver the International EU-CONEXUS School Contest ‘Think Smart, Create Green’.

Projects’ specifications

All teachers must register their pupils first, before completing the next steps.

PHASE 1 – Creation (4 steps)
Step 1: Following a video on sustainability, each team of pupils must answer an online Quiz, estimated time 3 minutes.
Step 2: Identify a sustainability issue in your community, propose an innovative solution with relevance to smart urban coastal sustainability topics, describe the impact in your community, detail an implementation plan and create a strategy to promote their solution. Describe the above in a 5-page written report, following our template.
Step 3: Design a presentation of up to 10 slides documenting all the elements mentioned above (a template will be provided).
Step 4: Record a 1-minute TikTok style video underscoring the positive impact of your solution.

PHASE 2 – National Final (physical)
Up to 5 teams in each country will proceed to their National Final. Teams will be given 10 minutes to deliver the presentation made at Phase 1 Step 3 to their national jury.

PHASE 3 – International EU-CONEXUS Final (online)
The winning team from each country will proceed to the International Final and make a presentation to the international jury. There will be one National Winner in each age category.
Registration

Participants, via their leading teacher, should complete their registration adding all the teams that he/she leads. The link for both categories’ registration will be available on EU-CONEXUS dedicated webpage for the School Contest under the Society tab. Registration for the competition is through Microsoft Forms. After registration each teacher will receive an email from their local coordinator with all the information:

- Contest rules and regulations
- One Drive cloud folder link for uploading the documents required in Phase 1, including the authorization agreements for the pupils.
- Microsoft Forms link for the Sustainability Quiz
- Details of the timeline and deadlines

Projects´ submission

After registration each team must submit by the project submission deadline:
January 31st, 2025.
Sustainability Quiz can be accessed at this link.

- A 5-page report in MS Word format
- A presentation about the issue, their solution, the promotional strategy and the expected impact in PowerPoint format with up to 10 slides.
- A video underscoring the positive impact of the solution in TikTok style format and it should be .avi, .mpeg, .mp4, .mov or .flv.
- All digital files must be uploaded into a cloud folder provided by the organizers after registration.