**CNPT CONTEST RULES**

**« VIEWS OF NIGER »**

**ARTICLE 1 – ORGANIZATION AND DATES**

The Touristic Promotion Center of Niger (CNPT), a public establishment with a professional character, organizes a free photographic contest.

The contest unfolds from the 3rd of July 2019 to the 29th of February 2020 at 00:00 (local time).

**ARTICLE 2 – THEME AND CATEGORIES**

**Category 1** : National

**Theme : Your representation of Niger**

Photograph taken by photographers living in Niger, the photographers’ nationality does not matter, only the place of residence.

The photograph will have to be taken in Niger and illustrate a memorable moment of life for you. It can either be taken indoor or outdoor, represent a landscape, a portrait, a group, an everyday life moment, etc. It has to be relevent of your vision of Niger, what pleases you, touches you, makes you proud, etc.

**Category 2** : International

**Theme : Your memory of Niger**

Photograph taken by photographers living abroad, all nationalities considered and staying in Niger for a specified moment. A national of Niger who lives out of the country will compete in the international category.

The photograph will have to be taken in Niger and illustrate a memorable moment of your stay. It can either be taken indoor or outdoor, represent a landscape, a portrait, a group, an everyday life moment, etc. It has to be relevent of your memory of Niger.

**ARTICLE 3 – PARTICIPATION TERMS**

This contest is free of charge and open to all the professional and amateur photographers, except members of jury, CNPT and Minister of Tourism and Handicraft.

The competitors has to hold the rights to the image and have the consent of the identifiable persons in the photo.

Only one entry by person is accepted.

The photograph has to be taken in Niger.

The photo must be sent in digital format "JPG" as an attachment to an email addressed to: concoursphoto@visit-niger.com

The size of the photo must be at least 1200 pixels.

The file name must be in the form "lastname-firstname.jpg".

The subject of the email will be in the form of "contest-photo-nom-prénom".

The body of the email will include:

• The category for which the participant wishes to compete

• The date and location of the shooting

• A comment specifying the nature and meaning of the photo (from 5 to 10 lines)

• The name, first name and nationality of the participant

• Participant's details (postal address, phone number, email address)

• Particularity for the international category: A proof of your arrival in Niger during the contest period (stamp on the visa, nominative title of transport ...)

Images that do not respect these standards will be eliminated.

**ARTICE 4 – SELECTION CRITERION**

The photographs will be evaluated on their technical, artistic and touristic potential by the jury composed by professionals of photography and tourism.

**ARTICE 5 - PRIZES**

**International category :**

1st Prize : An exhibition of Niger will be organised in the winner’s country of origin and a stay will be offered with the person of his choice in Niger.

**National category :**

1st Prize : A stay of two days and one night in the W National Park with an ULM (ultralight motorized glider) excursion will be offered to the winner.

Grand prize : the winner selected in one of the two categories by the jury, will be rewarded by the first prize of that category as well as with a professional camera.

In-kind and symbolic prizes will be awarded to the other selected candidates. All the candidates selected by the jury will see their pictures participate in an exhibition in Niger and in the country of origin of the winner of the international category. In addition, they will receive a testimonial of satisfaction of the jury and the CNPT, as well as their names mentioned each time the photographs are used by the Center.

The latter selected by the jury will have the opportunity to be exhibited during exhibitions organized by the CNPT.

**ARTICLE 6 - EXHIBITION OF WORKS**

The photographs will be exhibited in the Touristic Promotion Center of Niger, or in any other place in Niger. An exhibition will also be made in the country of origin of the winner of the international category competition for a period to be defined. The photos may be exhibited again for a CNPT event or any other event where the CNPT is encouraged to promote Niger, on the website or in any other communication support published by the center. The latter having the opportunity to use all the photographs on behalf of the candidates of the competition for its use.

**ARTICLE 7 - ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS**

The winners will be informed by email and the results will be announced on the CNPT website (www.visit-niger.com) as well as on our social networks (Facebook, Instagram and Twitter).

**ARTICLE 8 - AWARD OF PRIZES**

The winner will receive the prize following the announcement of the results, the date of which will be fixed no later than one month after the closing date of the contest.

**ARTICLE 9 - COMPOSITION OF THE JURY**

The President of the jury : Pascal Maitre, French photographer and photoreporter;

A representative from the Touristic Promotion Center of Niger or the National Association of Tourism Hotels Professionals;

A professional photographer in Niger;

A gallery owner or a personality from the world of arts.

**ARTICLE 10 - DELIBERATION OF THE JURY**

Decisions are taken by a simple majority of the present members of the jury. The votes are cast by show of hands, unless the secret ballot is requested by half the members of the jury. In the event of a tie, the vote of the chairman shall prevail.

**ARTICLE 11 - EXCLUSIONS**

The Contest Officials reserve the right to exclude and remove pornographic, pedophile, racist, discriminatory or other types of photos repressed by applicable laws.

The participant will not be able to challenge the decision of the organizers.

**ARTICLE 12 - RIGHT TO IMAGE**

Each participant declares to be the author of the submitted photograph. He also acknowledges that he has previously obtained the necessary authorizations for its distribution.

The CNPT may use the photographs sent by the contest participants for its use, and may enjoy this right without a new request for prior agreement.

The CNPT undertakes to mention the authors of the images, which may appear on the Center's website, be used for communication media or any other events organized by the Center.

A contract will be established between the Center and the photographers indicating the practical and financial conditions established for the use of the photographs.

**ARTICLE 13 - RESPONSIBILITIES**

The organizers can not be held responsible for any malfunction related to the running of the contest whether it is a human error, computer or any other nature.

In the event of force majeure, the CNPT reserves the right to modify the present regulations, postpone or cancel the contest. It can not be held liable for these changes.

**ARTICLE 14 - OBLIGATIONS**

Participation in this contest implies the acceptance of this regulation by the competitors. Failure to do so will result in the cancellation of the application.

Any dispute concerning the interpretation and the application of this regulation will be studied by the organizers, sovereign in their decision, in the spirit which prevailed at the conception of the contest.