

MEDICOS DEL MUNDO

THE LUIS VALTUEÑA 10TH INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD

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This is the tenth consecutive year that MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO holds the LUIS VALTUEÑA INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD. Below the conditions of entry of the award are detailed:

1. WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

The competition is open to adult, amateur and professional photographers of any nationality.

2. THEMES

The topic of the images must be related to humanitarian action, international cooperation and social exclusion - human rights violation, armed conflicts, natural disasters, refugee and immigrant populations, socially excluded groups, etc. - and/or to the solidarity efforts aimed to build a fair and egalitarian world.

3. PHOTOGRAPHS' FORMAT

Each participant will be able to submit a **maximum of three photographs**, which can be part of a series or not, and which have not received awards in any other competition. The photographs may be in black and white or colour.

Works carried out between January 2004 and November 2006 and which have not been submitted to previous editions will only be accepted.

The photographs will be submitted in **digital format**.

4. MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- Photographs will be sent in JPEG digital format with an original resolution of 150-200 dpi, in high quality compression (12).

- Manipulated and/or digital altered photographs will be not accepted.

- Digital images will have to be free of watermarks.

- Photographs will be sent in a protected and identified CD to the following address: MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO, C/ Andrés Mellado 31 bajo, 28015 Madrid, España, a la atención de: PREMIO INTERNACIONAL DE FOTOGRAFÍA HUMANITARIA LUIS VALTUEÑA.

- Along with the photographs a Word digital document with the following information will be sent:

- Title of the work.
- The word 'SERIES' if the photographs are part of a series, including the order in which the images must be seen.
- A brief description of the photograph, place and circumstances in which it was taken (max. 1 page).
- Full name, phone number, email address and postal address of the photographer, and contact person in case of photographer's absence.
- Indicate if the photographs are also submitted for the *special prize*.

- PHOTOGRAPHS SENT BY EMAIL WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

5. DEADLINE

The closing date for the submission of photographs is **15th of November 2006**, inclusive. The postmark will be considered as the date of submission.

6. PRIZES

The following prizes will be awarded:

FIRST PRIZE: one grant of € 8,000

The first prize winner will receive a working grant of € 8,000 to develop a photographic project. The theme of the project will be related to the work of MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO and/or the context in which the organisation develops its activity¹ in Spain or other countries to be agreed upon.

The winner will define along with MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO the project's objectives and further development.

The grant will cover all expenses needed to develop the photographic project. MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO will not require economic justification of the project expenses.

The grant will be presented in three instalments: 50% after the jury's decision; 25 % at the beginning of the project; and 25% at the end.

The project will have to be finished before the 30th of November 2007 in order to include it in the 11th Luis Valtueña Award exhibition.

RUNNERS-UP: two prizes of € 1,000

The runners-up will receive a cash prize of €1,000 each. The prize also includes the possibility of visiting a project of MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO in the field.

MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO will grant access to one of its projects, providing logistics support within the organisation's possibilities. MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO will not cover any expenses derived from this activity.

SPECIAL PRIZE: one prize of 1.500 euros

The special prize winner will receive a cash prize of € 1.500.

This prize will be awarded to the best photograph/s on the theme "Women and young girls, leaders of social change".

SELECTED WORKS

Several photographs will be selected, together with the winning works, to form part of a national and international exhibition. The authors will be informed if their photographs have been selected.

7. WINNERS SELECTION PROCEDURE

The award's jury composition will be available in the contest's web page (www.medicosdelmundo.org/luisvaltueña). The jury will meet within thirty days after closing date of delivery of the photographs. The selection procedure will take place as follows:

¹ Humanitarian action, international cooperation and social exclusion - human rights violation, armed conflicts, natural disasters, refugee and immigrant populations, socially excluded groups, etc.

- **Grant and runner-ups**

The jury will select the **three best** photographic works. These will become candidates for the grant. Once selected, MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO will require additional photographic material (up to 12 pictures belonging to one or two themes). Once this additional material is received, the jury will proceed to select the winner of the first prize.

The two short-listed photographers will receive the runners-up prizes.

Once the jury's decision is made MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO will inform the winners.

- **Special prize**

Moreover the jury will select the photograph or photographic series winner of the special prize.

Once the jury's decision is taken MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO will inform the winners.

The jury's decision will be taken by simple majority, and will be considered final. The prizes may be declared null if none of the works presented are considered of an adequate level.

8. AWARD CEREMONY

The awards will be presented in a public act in January 2007. The venue and date will be published in due course.

9. GENERAL RULES

The winners and those photographers whose works have been selected for the exhibition will authorise MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO to reproduce their photographs in the award's communication actions and the organisation's communication materials and actions. The photographs will always include the name of the author.

MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO reserves the right to modify the calendar, if this contributes to increase the success of the contest.

Participation in the contest entails the acceptance of its conditions of entry.