



**General Official Contest Rules for
First Short Films on Water and Sustainable
Development
H2O SHORTSFILMS**



The object of these OFFICIAL GENERAL CONTEST RULES is to regulate the organisation of the first contest of short films on “Water and Sustainable Development”, as well as its prize award. The contest will be sponsored by the International Exhibition Zaragoza 2008, by means of The Water Tribune, and it will be organised by Expoagua Zaragoza 2008 and the International Secretariat for Water (ISW). This contest is part of the selection process of the next International “Water and Film Events” (IWFE), that will take place in Istanbul in March 2009, within the context of the 5th World Water Forum.

1. The contest is open to all legal European citizens that submit their original short films, filmed or subtitled in Castilian or English.

The contest is not open to employees and (ISW) collaborators, nor to workers contracted by Expoagua Zaragoza 2008.

The short films should be under 90 seconds in length. All production formats are accepted, provided that a copy on DVD is sent (multi-zone; 0 zone)

Each participant is entitled to submit an unlimited number of short films.

2. The general topic of the contest is “Water and Sustainable Development”, and the jury will assess the topic’s use, as a material element, within the development of the short film.

3. To enter the contest the participant must go to the following web address: <http://www.riec-iwfe.org>. and complete and submit the online registration form.

In order to validate the registration, the film makers will send a copy of the short film on a DVD (0 zone ; in zone), together with the following documents:

- A printed, completed and signed copy of the registration form.
- A copy of the National Identity Card.
- A 10x15 cm digital photograph of the film maker (1181x1772 pixels), 300dpi resolution and the short film on a Cd-Rom.

Submission address:

**Oficinas Expo2008
Tribuna del Agua
H2O Short Films
Primer Concurso de cortometrajes « Agua y Desarrollo Sostenible »
Attn: Gaizca Urresti/Barbara Avila
Av. Ranillas 101, Edificio EXPO, 50018
Zaragoza, España**



There is no fee to enter the contest.

The Deadline for the reception of short films is 15 August 2008 at 24:00 hours, Spanish time. Including verification. After this date, only short films postmarked by August 15, 2008 will be accepted, until the first week of September.

Delivery costs will be paid by the participant.

Non awarded originals will not be returned.

The organization will not be held responsible for any lost copies or any possible damages that may take place due to delivery.

4. The jury will be composed by an appointed representative belonging to the following organizations:

- Expoagua Zaragoza 2008.
- International "Water and Film Events", Istanbul 2009.
- The Council of Europe.
- Associated Festival to the International "Water and Film Events" (IWFE).

All the prizes will be awarded by the jury.

5. The decision of the jury will be final, not open to appeal, and will be made public on September 12. The identity of the winner and the finalists will be made public on the web pages of Expo Zaragoza 2008 www.expozaragoza2008.es and www.riec-iwfe.org

6. The winners of the main prizes, or their representatives, will attend a prize-giving ceremony, to be held in The Water Tribune Pavilion, within the context of the ÁGORA activity. The organization of the contest will cover the journey and accommodation expenses of the winners.

7. The organization of the contest will give the following prizes:

- The prize Expo Zaragoza 2008, worth 2,000 euros. This prize will be awarded by the visitors to the Exhibition.
- The IWFE prizes Istanbul 2009 for young filmmakers.

The prizes for the three winning categories will be the following:

- First prize: 1,000 euros.
- Second prize: 750 euros.
- Third prize: 500 euros.



These prizes will be awarded to short films produced by young people, between the ages of 17 and 30. The winners of the contest will automatically take part in the World Spots contest during the next edition of the IWFE, to be held between March 18-21, 2009 in Istanbul.

These prizes are subject to the tax law in force, and to the established applicable taxes.

8. The awarded filmmakers accept the use of their audiovisual works by the organizers, before, during and after the contest. With promotional, educational, cultural and scientific purposes, on any medium. Likewise, they accept their short films to be part of the archives of the International Water and Film Events and to be accessible on their web page.

The short films awarded the Istanbul IWFE, agree to the rules of the IWFE International Contest to be held in March 2009.

9. By accepting the prizes the winners fully and unconditionally agree and accept to assign the short films' intellectual property rights, exclusively, to Expoagua Zaragoza 2008 S.A., without prejudice to the moral rights that the authors may have.

In accordance with what has been previously stated above, the right to use the works shall be, from the moment of their submission, worldwide, and exclusive, with the maximum term set forth within the Royal Legislative Decree 1/1996, of April 12, by which the consolidated text of Spanish Intellectual Property Act is approved.

In particular, the Company shall have, exclusively, the right to reproduce, distribute, display publicly, transform (including translation into all the languages and dialects, sign language and Braille included, the adaptation and addition to works of any other type) and totally or partially display, jointly or severally, in any way the Company may consider necessary, and in all the known mediums and by any means and channel, including broadcasting, transmission, retransmission, television record in all its forms and including graphic, phonographic, videographic, digital, audiovisual, optical medium, data treatment, multimedia mediums and systems and database access (CD-ROM, Interactive CD, digital networks and/or telematic Internet type, fixed and mobile telephone networks and PLC or power line communication); as well as pre-publishing and post-publishing, abridged or unabridged version, as special product together with newspapers and magazines, in kiosks in any way, specialised or non-specialised retailers, supermarkets and hipermarkets, e-commerce, etcetera, respecting the moral rights of the author/s



Each of the authors of the short films guarantees the originality of the said short film and shall be held liable before the Company or any third party, regarding any claim related to the authorship and the economic rights of use.

The winners authorise the Company, non exclusively, during the duration of the right assignment, worldwide, the use of their name, image and biography; exclusively for the exercise of the rights assigned regarding the short films.

The company and the organization that follows or subrogates it, assigns, exclusively, to the International Secretariat for Water, all the rights of any type it may acquire herein regarding the short films.

10. Once the contract has finished the winners commit themselves to report that the work was awarded a prize in this contest.

11. By participating in the contest, the participant agrees to fully accept all these official rules. In any situation not specified in this document, the criteria of the jury will prevail. For any enquiry regarding the contents of the International Exhibition ExpoZaragoza 2008, please, go to the following web page <http://www.expozaragoza2008.es>