



FEE / Young Reporters for the Environment

Media Release



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Young Reporters are making media on World Environment Day

The winners of this year's Young Reporters for the Environment (YRE) international competition and Litter Less Campaign are announced today, World Environment Day (Thursday, June 5), by the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE).

The winners, outlined below, were selected from among 22 countries by representatives from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP), European Environment Agency (EEA); International Institute for Industrial and Environmental Economics (IISEE) Young Masters Programme; Associated Press and the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE).

Channel Daniels from the EEA said: "The quality of the entries were especially high this year. The linking of science and policy to the reporting of environmental issues that affect their communities is outstanding, despite the young ages of the participants."

This year many of the entries both had an original scope and an innovative style. "The visual presentation of the problem of marine litter in the 'Our aquarium' entry from Portugal is especially striking and original." added Daniels.

The competition is open to students aged 11 to 21 who report on an environmental issue or problem in their community via print, photography or video. Nationally, young reporters can participate individually or as a group. Submissions that win at the national level may then be submitted to the international competition.

This year the competition received more than 155 submissions of which 20 were awarded places in the YRE international competition and 25 in the Litter Less Campaign.

The winners were (note that where a country is stated it denotes joint winners):

YRE INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

ARTICLE WINNERS BY AGE CATEGORY

11 - 14

1. Romania: "The Clear Waters of Bucovina Are Smiling" by Faraon Alexandra and Stanciu Mădălina
2. Cyprus: "Recycling again now with composting" by Chrisostomou Ioannis, Christoforidou Malvina and Efstathiou Katerina

Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) is an international charity that has been promoting environmental education for sustainable development since 1981. FEE is an umbrella organisation with members in more than 60 countries worldwide. FEE is active in environmental education mainly through five programmes: Blue Flag, Green Key, Eco-Schools, Young Reporters for the Environment and Learning about Forests. More information about FEE and the FEE programmes can be found at www.fee-international.org.

3. China: "The Paradise for Birds" by: Huang Xintao, Chen Xilei, Ma Zhen, Zhang Weiyue and Liang Ming'en

15-18

1. Cyprus: "The multiuse of the seaweeds" by Evangelia Koufopavlou, Maria Skarou and Elena Stavrou
2. Turkey: "Don't let sea Daffodils fade away let them sway" by: Hazal Yasa and Ege Bozkurt
3. Wales: "Mobile phones, the hidden cost" by Alisa Maxwell, Megan Wookey

19-21

No entries awarded

PHOTOGRAPHIC WINNERS BY AGE CATEGORY

11-14

1. Malta: "Use and reuse! Know your boundaries" by Matthew Curmi
2. Romania: "Priceless help from less lucky people" by Magirescu Stefan
3. Slovakia: "Nature can always manage" by Ivan Dinga

15-18

1. Montenegro: "It only seems beautiful" by Zorana Đukić
2. * FYR Macedonia: "Warning!! We must not destroy the opportunity of enjoying in their beauty" by Tamara Mihajlovska
* Cyprus: "Red Wings" by Marcos Panayiotou
3. No entries awarded

19-21

1. China: "I love my hometown" by Lv Luyao
2. Malta: "One sandwich short of a picnic" by Johann Camilleri
3. Slovenia: "Ice defeated mankind" by Ksaver Šinkar

VIDEO WINNERS BY AGE CATEGORY

11-14

1. Wales: "Litter Clean-Up" by Cowbridge Comprehensive School
2. Greece: "Koronia, past, present....future?" by High School of Egnatia
3. Malta: "Saving Mother Nature" by Luigi Dimech

15-18

1. Portugal: "Used cooking oil" by Lisbon School of Health Technology
2. Romania "Shale Gas in Romania" by Plop Alexandra Gabriela, Nastasa Ioana Andreea and Trofin Radu
3. Turkey: "Don't Throw your Future Away" by Deniz Bozkurt, Cicek Aykanat and Nehir Bozkurt

19-21

No entries awarded

LITTER LESS CAMPAIGN

ARTICLE WINNERS BY AGE CATEGORY

11-14

1. Slovakia: "Heritage of Sereď Nickel Smelter" by Veronika Moncolova
2. Kazakhstan: "Save our city from garbage!" by Dzhamilya Umurkulova
3. Latvia: "How can we reduce the amount of waste on the coast of Saulkrasti?" by Inga Semule

15-18

1. Romania: "Recycled Oil Keeps Everything Clean" by Solomon Mihaela
2. Turkey: "Can a Forest Be Created With Recycling?" by Ela Naz Şahin and Nazlı Özçubukçu
3. Israel: "Who will save my hill?" by Shahar Gaon, Tal Maimon and Shany Baloka

19-21

1. Canada: "Going green in the school canteen" by Aian Binlayo
2. Slovakia: "Invisible threat" by Natália Mrázová
3. Portugal: "Nightlife -waste, waste, waste?" by Helder Simoles

PHOTOGRAPHIC WINNERS BY AGE CATEGORY

11-14

1. Canada: "Hidden But Still There" by Gaganbir Dhugga
2. Montenegro: "THE NATURE EXISTS" by Eldin Šaljić
3. Italy: "Who will pick you up?" by Isabella Finucci

15-18

1. Malta: "Gateway to heaven" by John Charles Fenech
2. FYR Macedonia "Clean air is health" by Anastasija Bojkovska
3. Canada "Litter solution" by Connie Le

19-21

1. Malta: "Fruit for Thought" by Johann Camilleri
2. Montenegro: "WHY BOTHER WHEN RIVER WILL TAKE IT ALL AWAY?" by Aldina Muric
3. Portugal: "One bottle makes the difference" by Escola Superior de Tecnologia da Saúde de Coimbra

VIDEO WINNERS BY AGE CATEGORY

11-14

1. Canada "Our Choices" by Jane Hu and Camila Lau
2. France "Butt Box" by Azania, Chloé, Inès, Elorri, Noëlle, Cherinès
3. No entries awarded

15-18

1. New Zealand: "The Issue Of Marine Litter" by Michael Jessup
2. Canada: "Litter Solution" by Krista Ariello and Hanna Begovic
3. Kazakhstan: "Butcher" by Aziz Kurt

19-21

1. Portugal: "Wastes of nightlife" by Escola Superior de Tecnologia da Saúde de Coimbra
2. Malta: "Splashed by Trash" by: Emma Scicluna, Rossella Caruana, Cherise Caruana, Johann Camilleri and Francesco Pavia
3. No entries awarded

All international YRE winners will be showcased on the homepage of the programmes website.

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For more information contact Anna Normann, International Programme Director, on: +46709 513786 or visit <http://www.youngreporters.org>, *Young Reporters for the Environment* on Facebook.

Notes to Editors:

The Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) has 28 member organisations running the YRE programme at the national level in Canada, China, Cyprus, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Latvia, FYR Macedonia, Malta, Montenegro, Morocco, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Northern Ireland, Portugal, Romania, Scotland, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey, the United States of America, and Wales.

FEE is a non-government, non-profit organisation promoting sustainable development through environmental education in more than 68 countries through its national member organisations. FEE actively promotes and delivers environmental education through its programmes: Blue Flag, Green Key, Young Reporters for the Environment (YRE), Eco-Schools and Learning about Forests (LEAF).

The FEE Head Office is based in Copenhagen, Denmark. For more information and contact details of our member organisations running YRE and FEE's other programmes visit <http://www.fee-international.org/en>

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