



REGIÃO AUTÓNOMA DOS AÇORES  
PRESIDÊNCIA DO GOVERNO  
DIREÇÃO REGIONAL DAS COMUNIDADES

**Decree**

The Regional Government of the Azores, through the Regional Directorate for the Communities, provides to all Azoreans by birth, ancestry, affinity (marriage/ common law) who have lived in the Azores for a minimum period of five years, and who are residing outside the Autonomous Region of the Azores, greater proximity to the archipelago and, consequently, an effective participation in the future of the Azores, through the Azoreans in the World website, which allows adherence to the electoral process for choosing representatives of their communities that integrate the Azorean Diaspora Council. In this effort of proximity, the Regional Directorate for the Communities intends to promote greater knowledge about aspects of Azorean culture in the communities where Azoreans live around the world.

In this way, I therefore determine:

1. The opening of the photo contest “The Island and the World”, which regulation and form are approved and published in annex.
2. The appointment of the jury for the said contest, which will have the following composition:
  - a) president: Gabriela Pontes
  - b) member: Luís Godinho
  - c) member: Pepe Brix

Ponta Delgada, 23 May 2023



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**REGULATION**  
**Photo Competition “The island and the World”**

**CHAPTER I**  
**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Article 1º**  
**Object**

This regulation establishes the regulatory framework of the Photo Competition “The island and the World”, promoted by the Government of the Azores through the Regional Directorate for the Communities.

**Article 2º**  
**Scope**

Through this competition, the Regional Directorate for the Communities aims to promote a better knowledge about aspects of the Azorean culture in the Azorean communities around the world.

**Article 3º**  
**Participants**

1. To participate in this competition, contestants must:
  - a) reside outside the Autonomous Region of the Azores, for at least five years;
  - b) be 18 years or older at the date of the opening of this contest;
  - c) be enrolled on the website Açorianos no Mundo (<https://acorianosnomundo.azores.gov.pt/>).
2. The enrolment on the website Açorianos no Mundo, under the numbers 3 and 4 of the article 5 of the Regional Legislative Decree nr. 18/2019/A, is limited to those who, residing outside the Autonomous Region of the Azores, fulfil one of the following conditions:
  - a) Being born in the Autonomous Region of the Azores;
  - b) Being of Azorean ascent;
  - c) Having had residence in the Autonomous Region of the Azores for at least five years;
  - d) Being married or the partner in a non-marital partnership with a person mentioned in the previous paragraphs.
3. The interested parties must participate as individuals.
4. Each person can submit up to 5 photos.

**Article 4º**  
**Prize**

1. The winner will be awarded a round-trip air ticket, for two people, from any airport outside the Region, operated by SATA, partner of the Regional Directorate for the Communities in this competition, to one of the Azorean airports of the winner’s choice.



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2. The Regional Directorate for the Communities will fulfil the prize by delivering the ticket to the winner and it is not responsible for any vicissitudes that may occur during the trip.

**CHAPTER II  
COMPETITION**

**Article 5º**

**Theme**

The photos submitted to competition must portray and/or relate aspects of the Azorean culture with the residence's country of the contestant.

**Article 6º**

**Jury**

1. The Jury is composed of one president and two members, nominated by decree of the Regional Director for the Communities.
2. During the process of assessment and evaluation of the photos, the Jury only has access to them in an anonymous way.

**Article 7º**

**Submission of applications**

1. The submission of applications occurs until 30 September 2023, by electronic mail, to the address [ailhaemundo.drc@azores.gov.pt](mailto:ailhaemundo.drc@azores.gov.pt)
2. The email submitting the application must contain as subject "Application" and include in attachment:
  - a) Application form, which constitutes Annex I of this regulation;
  - b) Photos submitted to competition.
3. The photos must have the following technical requirements:
  - a) Be sent in the highest possible quality, with the minimum dimension of 1800 pixel in its smaller side, and it can be in colour or black and white;
  - b) Maintain the original proportions;
  - c) Be sent in JPG format, without removing its respective exif;
  - d) Not have any type of frame, signature or other mark that allows to identify its author.

**Article 8º**

**Exclusion of applications**

Applications will be rejected preliminarily if:

- a) The candidate doesn't make proof that complies with article 3 of this regulation;
- b) The application is submitted after the final date;
- c) The photos do not comply with the technical requirements indicated in point 3 of article 7 of this regulation;



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d) The photos are sent with the author's identification in its respective exif.

**Article 9º**

**Decision**

1. The Jury carries out the assessment and evaluation of the photos submitted to competition, assigning the prize and may award one or more honourable mentions
2. The Jury of the competition reserves the right not to award any of the photos in the competition.
3. The Jury's decisions are taken by simple majority and cannot be appealed.

**Article 10º**

**Disclosure**

The Jury's decision is disclosed through the media and social networks.

**Article 11º**

**Copyright**

1. By submitting the photos to competition, their authors assure that they are unpublished, that they are of their own authorship and that they are responsible for them, ensuring that they and their respective divulgation do not infringe any copyright, related rights or property rights of third parties.
2. The authors assign, free of charge, their rights of use and, consequently, authorise the Regional Directorate for the Communities to publish, disseminate, use, exploit, edit or re-edit, by any means or format and on its own account, the photos.
3. The use of the photos may be total or partial, individually or together with other photos, namely all or part of the other photos in the competition.
4. Without prejudice to the previous numbers, the authors may publish their photos submitted to competition six months after the jury's decision has been announced.

**CHAPTER III**

**FINAL PROVISIONS**

**Article 12º**

**Acceptance**

The submission of the photos to competition implies the acceptance of this regulation.

**Article 13º**

**Cases unstated**

The cases unstated in this regulation, as well as doubts arising from its application, shall be solved by decree of the Regional Director for the Communities.



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**Annex I**

**Application form to the Photo Competition  
“The island and the World”**

Full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number: \_\_\_\_ Floor: \_\_\_\_ Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal code: \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I accept and authorise, in an explicit and informed manner, that my personal data may be processed in the legally admissible manner, within the scope of this competition.

I declare that I have read and accept the Regulation of the Competition “The island and the World” and its rules.

I declare that all information sent is true, that the photo sent is of my own authorship and that I hold the copyright of it.

I declare to assign, free of charge, the photo’s rights of use and, consequently, authorise the Regional Directorate for the Communities to publish, disseminate, use, exploit, edit or re-edit, by any means or format and on its own account, the photo(s) sent.

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

This form and the photo(s) must be sent to the following email address:  
[ailhaemundo.drc@azores.gov.pt](mailto:ailhaemundo.drc@azores.gov.pt)