Children’s Coin 2018 – 2020 - ‘From Children in Solidarity / Mit-Tfal b’solidarjeta’

The Central Bank of Malta, in collaboration with the Ministry for Education and Employment and the Malta Community Chest Fund Foundation is launching a design competition for students in all Secondary Schools. The competition involves the submission of art designs for three €2 commemorative coins to be issued under the programme entitled ‘From Children in Solidarity’. The coin programme consists of a series of five coins with the first theme LOVE which was already issued in 2016, and the second, PEACE, which will be issued in 2017. The three coins will have the following themes:

2018 – Cultural Heritage
2019 – Nature / Environment
2020 – Games

An expert panel will review the designs submitted and will choose the three winning entries for the national sides of the coins. The winners will be given a prize for their design. They will also be acknowledged as the coin designers on all the relative literature.

Design requirements:

- The designs should symbolise the themes of Cultural Heritage, Nature and Environment, and Games. One design for each theme.

- The Central Bank of Malta reserves the right to disqualify, at any time, any design if it determines that the submitted material is not original.

- Design submissions must:
  1. not include the name of or depict any living person
  2. not include names, emblems, logos, trademarks or other intellectual property associated with any specific commercial or private organization
  3. be the student’s own original artwork
  4. not include the student’s name, initials, or other identifying mark anywhere on the design
  5. not be frivolous or inappropriate.

- The designs should be originals and not copies or representations of existing ones.

- Subject to the approval of the European Commission, the winning designs will be reproduced on the national side of the Maltese €2 Commemorative Coins.

- The Central Bank of Malta reserves the right to adjust and modify the winning designs in order to be compliant with European Commission rules and to optimise them for minting purposes.

- The years 2018, 2019, 2020 should feature on the respective designs; the design should not include any other text.
A short explanatory note on the submitted design/s should be added on a separate file or sheet.

Projects can be submitted either as digital files (jpeg or pdf) or as a drawing on A4 paper. The technical requirements for the digital files are:

- JPEG- format, 300 DPI
- 10 cm diameter
- white background, no shadows
- RGB: grey can be chosen; yellow 254 / 210/ 62
- CMYK: grey can be chosen; yellow 1 / 16 / 86 / 0
- Gradient as needed

Submission of Designs:

- Designs in a digital format should be sent to Ms Anna-Maria Gilson via email at anna-maria.gilson@gov.mt or Mr Joseph Esposito via email at espositoj@centralbankmalta.org while those in a hard copy should be addressed to:

  Projects & Initiatives Section  
  Attn: Ms Anna Maria Gilson  
  Coin Design Competition  
  National School Support Services  
  Fra Gaetano Pace Forno Street  
  Hamrun HMR 1100

- Submissions will be received between Tuesday 14th November and Thursday 14th December 2017. All designs should reach Ms Anna Maria Gilson or Mr Joseph Esposito by not later than 14.00 hrs, **Thursday 14 December 2017**.
- Participants may choose to submit a design for all or any one of the themes for 2018, 2019 and 2020.

  Participants, who have to be under the age of 18, may submit more than one design for any of the themes.
- All submissions will be evaluated by an expert panel appointed by the Central Bank of Malta.
- The expert panel has the right to propose additions to the winning design or changes to its proportions and composition.
- The panel may deem that none of the submitted designs are of the required standard and thereby declare the competition unsuccessful. In such instances, the Bank reserves the right to appoint a coin designer of its choice. The students of the winning designs for the years
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2018, 2019 and 2020 will be given a prize during an award ceremony which will be held in 2018. The selected two runners up for each theme will also receive a prize.

- A prize will be given to the school which submitted the application of the winning student. Designs submitted for the competition will not be returned.

- The selected designs will become the property of the Central Bank of Malta.

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