



Our school our diversity

your story in 60 seconds

The OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities announces the video contest

Our school, our diversity: your story in 60 seconds

among school-age children and youth. The purpose of the video contest is to raise awareness about the role of education in preventing conflicts on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the launch of HCNM's first and ground-breaking recommendations on the educational rights of national minorities.

Join us in raising awareness about the role of education in preventing conflicts by telling us your video story about diversity in your school.

The three best videos will receive a prize and also be presented in the course of the anniversary celebration in The Hague, Netherlands on 20-21 April 2016. Submitted videos will also be placed on the website of the OSCE HCNM and other related websites.

WHO: The OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities is an independent institution of the OSCE, established in 1992 with a mandate to provide early warning and early action where possible tensions related to national minorities could spark conflicts between or within States.

WHAT: Record a video clip of maximum one minute telling a story about diversity in your school. Today's world is increasingly multilingual and multicultural. What does this world look like for you and your schoolmates? What role does education play in it? How culturally diverse is your school and what is your experience with it? Does education transform diversity into an opportunity?

WHEN: 4-31 March 2016, 11:59 pm (UTC+01:00).

PARTICIPATION: Young people between the age of 12 and 18 individually or as small groups.

AWARDS: The OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities will award prizes to three videos. The first prize is a video camera, second prize a tablet and the third prize a backpack with solar panels.

HOW: Videos can be recorded by using the camera of your mobile phone or other devices, preferably filmed horizontally (landscape dimension). The film should be no more than one minute long!

LANGUAGE: Language is no limit. Videos can be recorded in any language(s) but should be understandable to viewers that don't speak the language(s) used in the video. Video clips including the creative use of visual language, music, sounds and other great ideas are most welcome.

SUBMISSION: Submit your video of maximum one minute via

- Email to: videocontest@osce.org (Note: do not attach the video file to the email but send a link where the video is uploaded, e.g. at Dropbox, WeTransfer, MEGA or TransferBigFiles)
- Whatsapp: Our School, Our Diversity at the number +31641644344
- Viber App: Our School, Our Diversity at the number +31641644344
- Line App: Our School, Our Diversity at the number +31641644344

Please also submit the following information when submitting the video:

- your full name(s)
- date(s) of birth
- contact email
- contact phone number
- personal photo or group photo
- country, city and name of the school

Please keep the original video file on your phone or camera. In case your video will be chosen to be shown at the anniversary event, we will get back to you and arrange the original file transfer with you.

TERMS: All participants agree to comply with, and all submissions are subject to, the Terms of Use for this contest at www.osce.org/hcnm/225526.

NOTIFICATION: The Jury will consider all submitted videos and will inform producers of the winning entries by 15 April 2016 via email.

WEBSITE: www.osce.org/our-school-our-diversity

The Hague Recommendations regarding the Education Rights of National Minorities promote observance of the rights of national minorities in education, equal education opportunities for persons belonging to national minorities and education as a tool for integration of societies.

“Education is required not only to provide strictly academic and technical training but it is also required to inculcate such values as tolerance, pluralism, anti-racism and international and inter-communal harmony.” (HCNM The Hague Recommendations)