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## **INTERNATIONAL SOLFEGE COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS**

### **Article 1 / Contents**

#### **I. GENERAL REGULATIONS**

- Announcement, prerequisite knowledge, competition procedures
- Competition Jury
- Guidelines for the distribution of plaques, prizes and honourable mentions
- Announcement of the results
- Objections, violations of the rules and regulations

### **Article 2 / Organisation**

The organiser is the Composition and Music Theory Department of the Academy of Music in Ljubljana.

### **Article 3 / Rules of Participation**

Young musicians who are officially enrolled at the Ljubljana Academy of Music or at an institution of higher music learning abroad may apply to the competition. The competition is divided into two age categories. Participants must fall within their specified age group on the day of the competition.

### **Article 4 / Application to the Competition**

- The application form must include the participant's name, surname, birth date, telephone number, email address and age category.
- The completed application must be received by the organisers by the deadline specified in the announcement.
- The application must be accompanied by a copy or scan of the participant's birth certificate or similar official personal identification (such as the identification page of the participant's passport), proof of student status for the current academic year, a short biography and proof of payment of the application fee.

### **Article 5 / Preparation of the Requirements and Tasks**

The requirements and tasks of the competition shall be prepared by the organisers and may be original work.

### **Article 6 / Confidentiality of the Competition Tasks**

The Organiser and the Competition Jury are responsible for the confidentiality of the tasks performed throughout the competition. The Organiser and the Competition Jury are also responsible for the confidentiality of the results achieved by the participants until those results are publicly announced.

### **Article 7 / Retention of the Applications and Tasks**

The Organiser will retain possession of the applications and competition tasks until the end of the academic year in which the competition takes place.

### **Article 8 / Competition Jury**

The Organiser shall select and name an international jury which shall include two or more recognised non-Slovenian academically trained musicians not resident in Slovenia and may or may not include one Slovenian academically trained musician active in the field of solfege. The decisions of the jury are final.

### **Article 9 / Evaluation**

The members of the jury shall award points to the competition participants following the written criteria for evaluation, while also respecting the musicality of the participant and the general impression.

#### **POINTS ALLOCATION**

##### **Written Component**

(successive numbers correspond to the tasks described in the competition guidelines)

- 1 - 15 Points
- 2 - 25 Points
- 3 - 25 Points
- 4 - 10 Points
- 5 - 10 Points
- 6 - 10 Points
- 7 - 5 Points

##### **Oral Component**

(successive numbers correspond to the tasks described in the competition guidelines)

- 1 - 20 Points
- 2 - 30 Points (a=15, b=15)
- 3 - 20 Points
- 4 - 30 Points (a=15, b=15)

#### **CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION (WRITTEN TEST)**

In evaluating the accuracy of the participant's transcription, the jury will take into account the individual challenges present within each bar and award or subtract points accordingly.

The final score is obtained by adding up the total attained points for the written and oral tests and dividing by two.

### **Article 9 / Competence of the Jury**

The jury shall determine the distribution of prizes according to the rules of the competition. The president of the jury shall sign the public announcement of the results of the competition and the list of prizewinners.

### **Article 10 / Awarding of Plaques, Prizes and Honourable Mention**

Participants who successfully complete the competition shall receive a plaque or honourable mention. The organisers shall also award three monetary prizes.

#### **Plaque**

- Participants who earn 90 to 100 points shall receive a Gold Plaque
- Participants who earn 80 to 89.99 points shall receive a Silver Plaque
- Participants who earn 70 to 79.99 point shall receive a Bronze Plaque

#### **Honourable Mention**

Participants who earn 60 to 70 points shall receive an Honourable Mention

#### **Monetary Prizes**

Monetary prizes (gross amount) will be awarded to the participants with the three highest scores.

One First Prize (Participant must obtain a minimum of 96 points)

One Second Prize (Participant must obtain a minimum of 93 points)

One Third Prize (Participant must obtain a minimum of 90 points)

If one of the prizes is not awarded, the amount of the other prizes shall not change.

#### **Special Recognition**

Special recognition will be given to any participant to earn 100 points.

### **Article 11 / Announcement of the Results**

The results of the competition will be announced in writing within two hours following the end of the competition and posted at an officially predetermined location.

### **Article 12 / Objections**

Objections to the final results are not honoured, the decision of the jury is final. Participants are, however, allowed to request a viewing of their written competition tasks following the announcement of the results of the written test.