

# European Award for "Citizenship, Security and Defence"

## **Competition rules**

#### Article 1

The European Award for "Citizenship, Security and Defence" is intended to reward outstanding efforts towards promoting European citizenship and "European security and defence awareness".

This award is organised every year by the association "Civisme Défense Armées Nation" (CiDAN), together with the European Security and Defence Association.

The main partners include the German company ProPress and the International Society for Military Ethics in Europe.

#### Article 2

To that end, the main award areas concerned are the following:

- Promoting European values, Human rights;
- Promoting Military ethics,
- Tangible and visible achievements in promoting a sense of European citizenship ;
- Remembrance or duty of memory ceremonies and activities ;
- Raising awareness of European security and defence in schools and universities and among the public at large ;
- Strengthening the European defence and technological industrial base ;
- Promoting the concept of key European security interests ;
- Centenary of the Great War.

#### Article 3

The competition shall be open to all citizens and legal entities (organisations, groups, associations, foundations, companies, armed forces units and military staffs, and public and private educational establishments (primary and secondary schools, universities) ...) in all countries of the Council of Europe.

#### Article 4

In 2015, the time schedule shall be as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> July : Invitation to apply
- 15 October : Deadline for applications
- 3 November : Jury meets
- 18 November : Award ceremony during the Berlin Security Conference.

#### Article 5

Candidates must send in an application form which should include:

- A presentation of the person(s) or organisation(s) involved;
- a one A4 page summary, including a short presentation and the three following points (account of achievements, means and results);
- a detailed account of what has been achieved, including the number of people who have benefited, from when and for how long;
- a presentation of the means used;
- an assessment and validation of the results obtained.

The application may be written in English or in French and may include press articles, photos, films or any other form of media which highlight the achievements.

Application forms can be sent by email to <u>cidan@free.fr</u> and in printed form by post to:

CiDAN 9ter, rue Edouard LEFEBVRE F 78000 VERSAILLES

#### Article 6

The organiser shall determine the composition of the jury which shall include acknowledged experts on European affairs from countries or institutions of the European Union and the Council of Europe.

### Article 7

The jury shall establish a list which shall include the winner and possibly other runners-up, as well as special merits award winners, for specific categories (young persons, institutions, industry, teachers, military ethics etc.). These categories shall be mentioned in the applications.

The jury's deliberations shall be secret and irrevocable. All participants in the competition shall undertake to abide by these rules and accept the jury's decisions.

#### Article 8

The award shall be presented annually. The winner in any given year shall not be permitted to re-enter the competition for a period of three years.

#### Article 9

Without any written denial, participants shall allow in advance the organisers, CiDAN and its partners, to use their names and photographs as they see fit, for three years, all around the world, especially due to the intrinsic international nature of Internet, on all media : written and audio-visual press, flyers, books, electronic letters, CD-ROMs, CD-I, DVD, Internet, Intranet, movies, presentations, conferences. These pictures will contribute to the promotion of the image of CiDAN and its partners in the European Award "Citizenship, Security and Defence". There shall be no remuneration for such non-commercial use.

#### Article 10

The organiser has the right, in case of necessity, to postpone, modify or cancel the present award, to decide immediately and as last instance, according to the difficulties met during the process.

