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PUBLIC CALL

“The Stone identity”: Regional competition for the selection of artistic handicraft related to the element “STONE”

Introduction

The Region of Ionian Islands/Regional Unit of Zakynthos promotes opportunity given to young creators for selection of an artistic handicraft related to the element STONE, common element of two different identities: Apulia and Ionian Islands.

The aim of the competition is to stimulate the artistic creativity in the areas of project around the element of the stone, the common agent of development of different - but similar-social and cultural identities in the partner areas.

The specific objective of the initiative is the revival of the artisan sector as an instrument to promote and raise awareness of the cultural heritage (in its various meanings of cultural heritage material and immaterial), artistic, architectural and landscape of the reference areas: Apulia and Ionian Islands.

The competition is open to **young craftsmen/artists** who want to be expressed through the creation of a stone object the common elements of the collective and artistic property of Apulia and Ionian Islands.

The current initiative is part of the activities of the **VIS project**, funded by the Territorial Cooperation Programme Greece-Italy 2007-2013. This project was conceived with the plan of promoting actions aimed at the development of the cultural, artistic and artisan heritage of the territories involved, connected to the element “STONE”, in a integrated contest of land management.

Project partners are the Municipality of Maglie - leader-, the Region of Ionian Islands/Regional Unit of Zakynthos (Greece), the Municipality of Miggiano, the Municipality of Gagliano del Capo, the Municipality of Caprarica of Lecce and the Municipality of Kefalonia (Greece).

This competition is sponsored and coordinated for the Greek side, by the Region Ionian Islands (GR) /Regional Unit of Zakynthos (Greece), with the participation of the Municipality of Kefalonia (GR).

The same competition will be launched by the same Italian partner Municipality of Caprarica of Lecce, with the collaboration of the Municipality of Maglie, the Municipality of Miggiano and the Municipality of Gagliano del Capo.

The selection procedure will be divided into two phases. In the first phase, each national committee separately (one Italian and one Greek) will be distinctly responsible for evaluating the handicraft product received in its side and select the 3 best handworks. In the second phase, the best 6 handworks (3 selected by the Italian national committee and 3 selected by

the Greek national committee) will be presented to the international committee, composed in turn by the two national juries (Italian and Greek), who will judge again works in a joint session.

Therefore, the International Committee will select the winning handwork.

1. Description of the initiative

The competition offers the following objectives:

- to stimulate the artistic creativity in the areas of project around the element of the stone, the common agent of development of different - but similar-social and cultural identities in the partner areas.
- to stimulate and encourage the dissemination, in the younger generations, a culture of creativity connected to traditions;
- to promote creativity in terms of communication projects of artistic and cultural heritage addressed to a user expanded;
- to contribute to the dissemination of innovative and original conditions, to make known and promote the area with its peculiarities.

As part of this initiative, the competition will award the best idea regarding the development of a handicraft product related to the stone element interpreted freely from art to architecture, to encourage the sensorial enjoyment of typical places of our land linked to the culture of stone. Proposals submitted must concern the following object:

Presentation of a handicraft product dedicated to the culture of the stone as a common element of two different identities: Apulia and Ionian Islands.

Will be admitted to participate in the selection procedures artistic handworks in expression of the culture of stone designed as a common element of two different identities: Apulia and Ionian Islands.

The competition will award the one best idea, achievable in prototype form, which show a strong component linked to the experiential factor, to the memory and to the culture of the element stone.

2. Participants and participation requirements

Eligible to submit project proposals are young craftsmen/artistic creators who have the following requirements:

- Individuals residing in the Greek Region of Ionian Islands, which at the date of publication of the notice are aged between 18 and 40 years;
- "Informal" working groups (the informal working group is a set of people assembly for the occasion but not characterized by any legal figure and corporate), consisting of a maximum of 5 young people, residents in the Ionian Islands, who at the date of publication of the notice, are aged between 18 and 40 years. The group will nominate a contact person for the relationship with the customer. Each member of the "informal" group can participate in the submission of a single application form;
- Associations, institutions, organizations however denominated, non-profit, already formally constituted. In this case, participants must certify that the management of the project will

be entrusted to a representation of one or more young residents in the Ionian Islands, who at the date of publication of the notice, are aged between 18 and 40 years. Also in this case it must necessarily be designated a team leader as single point of contact for relations with the customer.

It is required to the participants that they possess the legal requirements for admission to government grants, the enjoyment of civil and political rights and no criminal convictions.

3. Terms and submission of the proposal

Participation is completely free.

The participant at the time of submission of the project proposal will present his work art (handwork) in the following ways:

- the artistic handwork
- application form entirely completed in its part with a short presentation outlining and justifying the proposal (300 words) and the estimated cost for reproduction. The construction costs of the prototype must not exceed the value of € 10.00 VAT included (Annex I in case of a physical person or Annex II in case of "informal" working groups or legal and non - profit organizations)
- In the case of "informal" working group a authorisation from the team members with a confirmation of the authenticity of the signature referring to the contact person with the entity conducting the call for expressions of interest.
- Since this is a legal and non -profit organisation:
 - An official decision of the body responsible for the participation in this call for expression of interest and definition of the legal representative,
 - A certified copy of the statute and its amendments and a certificate from the relevant service on amendments to the Statute,
- Certification of permanent residence of natural persons - participants and confirmation of permanent residence of the representative of the legal person.
- Declaration of the 1599/1986 Law of the participant or the members of the "informal" working group or the legal representative, if it is a legal person, with the authentication of the signature according to the template in Annex II.

Each participant can only submit one project under this call.

The entity conducting the call for expressions of interest is free from any liability that may arise from the use or misuse of this material

Each participant can present only one submission to this call.

You can access to the notice from the following sites: www.pin.gov.gr, www.kefallonia.gov.gr, www.visproject.eu

It's possible to send the application form from Monday 24th of April 2014 to Wednesday 30th of April 2014, before 12:00, that is the date of delivery.

The submission must be done by hand or by post, in one closed envelope (with the artistic handwork and the application form) at the following address:

V.I.S. PROJECT
REGION OF IONIAN ISLANDS/REGIONAL UNIT OF ZAKYNTHOS

ADDRESS: Administration Building, P.O. BOX 29100, Zakynthos
Registrar's Office
(1st Floor)

Entitled: "The Stone identity": Regional competition for the selection of artistic handicraft related to the element "STONE"

To be recognised as admissible submission, each envelope must be received by the partner responsible within the deadline indicate in the call.

4. Selection procedure and criteria for evaluation

For the evaluation of the received handicrafts, it, will set up a national committee composed of 2 components for each Greek project partner (Region of Ionian Islands/Regional Unit of Zakynthos and Municipality of Kefallonia) that will evaluate the project proposals on the basis of the following criteria related to the quality of the idea, up to a maximum score of 100 points:

IDEA PROJECT QUALITY EVALUATION CRITERIA - SECTION B	POINTS
FEASIBILITY	25
CONSTRUCTION COSTS AND FINANCIAL AND MANAGING SUSTAINABILITY	30
REPEATABILITY	20
INNOVATIVE OF THE IDEA PROJECT	15
AESTHETIC AND FUNCTIONAL QUALITY	10
TOTAL	100

The national committee then will select the 3 handworks that have received the highest score, which will be subsequently examined by the international committee consisting of 12 members (two from each project partner, already members of their respective national juries-Italian and Greek).

The international committee will select the best handwork by evaluating again the works in joint session using the same evaluation criteria used by national juries.

5. Composition of the committee

The National Committee will be composed of members appointed by the project partners VIS: Region of Ionian Islands/Regional Unit of Zakynthos and Municipality of Kefallonia. Each partner has the right to nominate 2 members of the committee.

Will be part of the Committee:

- directors or/and officers of the partner institutions of the project;
- experts involved in the topics of the notice

6. Committee's obligations

The National Committee will meet to select the 3 handworks with the highest score, which would qualify for assessment by the International Committee. The members of the National Committee will also participate in the meeting of the International Committee, which will select the winning creation.

7. Awards

The winning handwork will be awarded with a cash value of € 1,000.00, as well as the reproduction of the same in 120 copies that will be distributed during all phases of the project. The reproduction of the 120 copies will be paid separately from the award equal to € 1,000.00.

The projects will not be returned.

8. Publicizing

The initiative will be publicized in the following ways:

- Publication on the institutional website of the Greek partners: Region of Ionian Islands (www.pin.gov.gr), Municipality of Kefallonia (www.kefallonia.gov.gr) and VIS project: www.visproject.eu
- Posters
- Newsletter of the project.

9. FAQ

Any questions and details concerning this notice should be sent by e-mail, to the email address: antipin.zak@pin.gov.gr, (contact person: Ioannis Piromallis) olgakapsourou@pin.gov.gr (Contact person: Olga Kapsourou). Answers will be published on the websites www.pin.gov.gr, www.kefallonia.gov.gr and www.visproject.eu

10. Result of the competition

The Region of Ionian Islands/Regional Unit of Zakynthos will communicate the result of the competition to the winner and the author of the project mentioned, within 15 days from the date of drawing up of the minutes of the Committee, and at the same time it will publish the list on the institutional websites www.pin.gov.gr, www.kefallonia.gov.gr and www.visproject.eu.

11. Diffusion of results

The Region of Ionian Islands/Regional Unit of Zakynthos and other project partners undertake to disseminate and appreciate the results of the competition through the actions and initiatives it considers appropriate.

The project documents will remain the property of the authors but subject to dissemination and promotion by the Region of Ionian Islands/Regional Unit of Zakynthos and other project partners.

All submitted projects will be presented and disseminated through:

- Exhibitions, fairs and other events to promote the VIS project;
- Catalogues, books, brochures, print or media publications also spread through the Web;
- Means of communication such as television, newspapers, magazines, periodicals, etc.

Therefore, the participation in the contest will automatically grant to the Region of Ionian Islands/Regional Unit of Zakynthos and other project partners the permission to use, for the purposes of disclosure, the works listed above.

12. Final clauses

In accordance with the 2121/1993 Greek Law, competitors are informed that their relevant personal data will be used by Administration exclusively for the development of this procedure and requirements related to it. The same shall be kept at the office of the Region of Ionian Islands/Regional Unit of Zakynthos /Regional Unit of Zakynthos in paper and computer file.

This information may be transmitted only to Public Administrations or legal persons directly involved in the selection. The content of this information is mandatory for the management of this procedure.

The Administrator of the procedure is Mr. Ioannis Piromallis (Tel: +30 2695360303,305-308, email: antipin.zak@pin.gov.gr) who operates with the collaboration and support of the Municipality of Kefalonia.

Participation in the competition implies the acceptance and unconditional obligation, by the competitors, of all of the conditions set out in this notice.

13. Complaints

In case of exclusion of a participant for non-compliance with the requirements and formalities of participation (for example, late arrival of the envelope, non-possession of participation requirements or of details and characteristics of the elaborate artistic), it is possible to present a written complaint within 5 days from the communication exclusion. The complaint, which has to indicate in detail the objections, must be sent to the following address

V.I.S. PROJECT
REGION OF IONIAN ISLANDS/REGIONAL UNIT OF ZAKYNTHOS
ADDRESS: Administration Building, P.O. BOX 29100, Zakynthos
Registrar's Office

Contact Persons: κ. Ioannis Piromalis or Olga Kapsourou
Tel: +30 2695360303,305-308

«RAISE OBJECTION»

After that, the National Committee will meet and review the case and the applicant will be informed about the decision officially.

No complaints will be taken into consideration if they question the reliability and integrity of the Committee during the evaluation of the handworks

ANNEX I

APPLICATION FORM FOR PHYSICAL PERSONS

COMPETITION «*THE STONE IDENTITY*»

(TO BE FILLED AND PRINTED)

NAME-SURNAME	
HOME ADDRESS	
DATE OF BIRTH	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
HANDICRAFT'S TITLE	
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (300 words)	

The signature indicates acceptance of the terms described in the call for expressions of interest to tender and the acceptance of intellectual property rights in accordance with the article 2121/1993. The statement of false or unsigned application will cancel the participation in the contest.

Signature

ANNEX II

APPLICATION FORM TEMPLATE FOR INFORMAL GROUPS OR LEGAL ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE COMPETITION «THE STONE IDENTITY» (TO BE FILLED AND PRINTED)

INFO OF THE ASSOCIATION/INSTITUTION/ORGANISATION

ORGANIZATION NAME	
VAT NUMBER	
ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	
MAIL	

INFO OF THE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE

NAME/SURNAME	
DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH	
PLACE OF RESIDENCE	
ADDRESS	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	
MAIL	
HANDICRAFT'S TITLE	
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (300 words)	

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Signature



ANNEX III DECLARATION

The accuracy of the information submitted in this application may be verified by other file services (Article 8 Paragraph 4 of the 1599/1986 Law)

TO:	REGION OF IONIAN ISLANDS/REGIONAL UNIT OF ZAKYNTHOS, HANDICRAFT COMPETITION, V.I.S. PROJECT						
Name:				Surname:			
Father's name and surname:							
Father's name and surname:							
Date of birth :							
Place of birth:							
Police/Passport Identity number:				Tel			
Residence Address:			Street Address:			Address number:	Postal code:
Fax:				Email:			

On my own responsibility and knowing the penalties (3), provided by the provisions of paragraph 6 of Article 22 of Law 1599/1986 , I declare that:

All info listed in the application form is true and all documents submitted and included in the envelope of my participation are accurate and true.

I accept the terms of participation in the competition assessment and award of artistic creation «The Stone identity», as mentioned in call for expressions of interest with Protocol Number 4486 / 13-3-2014.

There is no recovery of state aid against me.

I have not been finally convicted of a financial crime or an offense connected with my professional activity or offense on cultivation, possession, trade, distribution of drugs and / or fraud against the government.

I have not been denied of my civil rights

Date:/...../2014

The declarant.....

(Signature)