



# OFFICIAL RULES FOR THE ENVRI USER STORY VIDEO COMPETITION

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1. Description: The ENVRI USER STORY VIDEO COMPETITION begins on 17.05.2021 at 12:01:00 a.m. ECST and the period for entering the Competition ends on 31 August 2021 at 11:59 ECST (Entry period). By participating in the Competition, each entrant unconditionally accepts and agrees to comply with and abide by these Official Rules and the decisions of the ENVRI community hereby represented by the ICOS ERIC (that coordinates ENVRI community communications activities) which shall be final and binding in all respects. Following the end of the Entry Period, the judging will proceed in two phases. In the first phase, a panel of judges (comprised of judges representing the ENVRI community research infrastructures and selected by the ICOS ERIC communications office) will select no more than 15 videos, based on: a) artistic merit (how creative and visually appealing is the video) and b) scientific merit (how interesting the story is from the scientific point of view). The final 15 videos will be judged by the public in a public voting (online organized voting opened to anyone). First three winners will be notified by email and announced online by ENVRI community. The Winner receiving the highest number of votes awarded by the public will win the Grand Prize consisting of up to 3000 EUR. The first runner up gets up to 800 EUR and the second runner up gets up to 200 EUR. Every participant will receive the ENVRI community branded Rubik's cube.

2. Eligibility: Only individuals over the age of eighteen (18) years as of May 1, 2021 who are residing and located in a jurisdiction where the contest is lawful are eligible to enter. The Contest is void where prohibited.

3. How to Enter: Participants must go to the ENVRI community website, [www.envri.eu/competition](http://www.envri.eu/competition) (the "Site"), during the Entry Period and follow the onscreen instructions. Participants must produce a video of the participant who clearly demonstrate how she/he (possibly with other colleagues who are however not part of this competition):

- used the services provided by any of the ENVRI community and/or ENVRI community research infrastructures
- how it benefited her/his science
- why would she/he suggest others to use the services
- the video must be using English as the main language
- the video must clearly mention what kind of service was used and which research infrastructure provided the service.

The video entry might take almost any form. A story told through an analogy? An animated cartoon? A hand drawn video? A video incorporating own original music or dance? An interview with contestant's friends or colleagues? Some other format? The participant can decide. He or she can be solo or as part of an ensemble, but only he or she is the potential winner. As said above, the jury will not only judge upon the scientific merit but also the artistic/creative one.

#### **List of ENVRI community research infrastructures:**

ACTRIS, AnaEE, ARISE, AQUACOSM, DANUBIUS, EISCAT, eLTER, EMBRC, EMPHASIS, EMSO, EPOS, EUFAR, Euro-Argo, EUROCHAMP, EUROFLEETS, EuroGOOSm HEMERA, IAGOS, ICOS, INTERACT, IS-ENES, JERICO, LifeWatch, SeaDataNet, SIOS.

#### **ENVRI community services:**

By ENVRI community services, we mean services provided in frame of the ENVRI community cluster projects, i.e., ENVRI, ENVRIplus and ENVRI-FAIR.

#### **By services, we mean:**

e.g., access to data services and computational platforms; access to research facilities and experimental platforms; access to different samples or specimens; support services such as training, housing, application support, events etc.

The contestant must

- post that video on [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) (and comply with all rules and regulations of YouTube, including permission to use any music included in the video, as well as rights to show the individuals depicted in the video). The video upload should include the #ENVRIcompetition tag and

remain unlisted until the competition deadline to avoid unfair advantage/copying from other competition participants.

- allow ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, as well as the ENVRI community research infrastructures represented by their legal entities to use the video for publicity.
- Certify that all content in the video is original and belongs to the entrant(s).
- Obtain permission to use any location that is shown in the video.
- Provide a fully filled and signed video consent form ( <https://envri.eu/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/ENVRI-VIDEO-COMPETITION-consent-form.pdf>)
- Verify that all team participants who are under 18 years of age have permission from parents or legal guardians to take part in the contest.
- Maintain safe practices.
- Be respectful of any featured location(s), other people using the site, and wildlife there.
- Provide complete contact information by which the entrant can be reached.

All entries must be received during the Entry Period to be eligible. ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, is not responsible for late, lost, or misdirected entries that are not received in a timely manner, or are lost due to computer or electronic malfunction or other error, or due to inaccessibility of the Internet or portions thereof.

4. Additional Rules Relating to the Submission of Videos: By submitting any Video to the Contest, Participants hereby grant to ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, as well as the ENVRI community research infrastructures represented by their legal entities and assigns, an irrevocable, perpetual and royalty-free right to use, reproduce, edit, display, transmit, prepare derivative works of, modify, publish and otherwise make use of the submitted Video in any and all media, whether now known or hereinafter created, throughout the world and for any purpose. In addition to other things, the rights granted to ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, include but is not limited to the right to censor, compress, edit, feature, caption, affix logos to, and to otherwise alter or make use of the submitted video.

In addition, by submitting any video to the Contest, Participants hereby represent and warrant that the submitted video or information does not and shall not infringe on any copyright or other right of any third party, and

Participant has the right to grant any and all rights and licenses granted to ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, herein, including but not limited to all necessary rights under copyright, free and clear of any claims or encumbrances. ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, may, but shall have no obligation to, post, display or otherwise make publicly available any content submitted by you, and may, in its sole and unfettered discretion, remove, edit, modify or delete any portion of the video or information that you submit to the Contest.

5. Privacy: Information provided to enter the Competition will not be sold to third parties but may be shared as may be necessary for the purposes of conducting and judging the Competition and awarding prizes. ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, and its affiliates in connection with this Competition may from time-to-time contact entrants via email concerning the Competition, and each entrant consents to receiving such communications via email.

By submitting any video to the Competition, the entrant acknowledges and agrees that any content submitted may be made available for viewing, voting and comment on by the public, and understands that comments with which the entrant disagrees or is unhappy about may be published or otherwise become associated with any submitted video. Entrants hereby waive any privacy expectations that they may have with respect to any video submitted to the Contest.

6. Automated Entries Prohibited: No mechanically reproduced, incomplete, forged, software generated or automated multiple entries will be accepted.

7. Winner Selection: Winners are selected based on a) artistic merit (how creative and visually appealing is the video) and b) scientific merit (how interesting the story is from the scientific point of view). Thus, the best videos not only insightfully reveal how the competitor used the infrastructure services, how it benefited her/his science and why would she/he suggest others to use the services, but also how successfully is this information transmitted to viewers, how innovative the content of the video is and how inspirational it is for the future users of the RI services.

8. Prize Details:

Grand Prize Winner: The participant receiving the highest number of votes by public will win the ultimate prize of 3000EUR. The Grand Prize aims at

supporting the science related travels of the participants and as such, it will not be a prize money, but a money support either paid upon the bills provided by the travelling winner, or paid in advance based on the travel plan provided by the winner. The prize can be used within one year after the end of the competition, i.e., until 30 August 2022.

First runner up (second place): The participant receiving the second highest number of votes by public will win a support up to 800 EUR. This money can be used as a travel support (following the same rules as for the Grand Prize winner).

Second runner up (third place): The participant receiving the third highest number of votes by public will win a support up to 200 EUR. This support will be given away in form of coupons to an online book shop, where the participants can purchase books according to their preference.

Every participant receives the ENVRI community branded Rubik's cube.

ICOS ERIC reserves the right to change the form in which the ultimate prizes are paid out. ICOS ERIC, However, guarantees the amount for each winner.

9. General Prize Conditions: Potential Winners will be required to sign "Prize Claim Documents". If a Winner fails or refuses to sign and return the Prize Claim Documents within three (3) days of prize notification, the Winner may be disqualified. Prizes are not transferable and not assignable. No substitutions of prizes will be allowed, except ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, reserves the right to substitute prize(s) of comparable or greater value in the event a prize or any portion thereof becomes unavailable for any reason. Winners shall be solely responsible for all taxes and fees or costs associated with the prize.

Every participant receives the ENVRI community branded Rubik's cube upon their successful completion of the post-competition survey.

10. Limitations of Liability The organiser assumes no liability, and shall not be liable, for typographical or other errors in the offer or administration of the Contest including, without limitation, errors in the printing or display of the offer and official rules, selection, notification and announcement of the Grand Prize Winner, or distribution of the prizes. The ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, is not responsible for any incorrect or inaccurate information,

whether caused by internet users or by any of the equipment or programming associated with or utilized in the Contest and assumes no responsibility for any error, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operation or transmission, communications line failure, theft or destruction or unauthorized access to any systems associated with the Contest.

11. Release: Acceptance of a prize constitutes the prize winner's permission for ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, to use prize winner's name and likeness for advertising and/or promotional purposes worldwide and in all forms of media in perpetuity without further compensation or authorization. Participants agree that Organiser and its affiliates, and their officers, employees, agents and representatives (collectively, the ENVRI research infrastructures), shall not be responsible for any losses, damages or injuries of any kind resulting from participation in the Contest or from Participants' acceptance, receipt, possession and/or use or misuse of any prize. Participants also agree that the ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, has not made and shall not in any manner be liable for any warranty, guarantee, or representation, whether express or implied, with respect to any prize, including without limitation, the prize's quality or fitness for a particular purpose. ENVRI community, hereby represented by ICOS ERIC, reserves the right in its sole discretion to disqualify any individual who is found to be tampering with the entry process or the operation of the Contest or the Site, to be acting in violation of these Official Rules, or who otherwise takes actions that do or are intended to disrupt or undermine the legitimate operation of the Contest. Organiser also reserves the right in its sole discretion to disqualify any entry containing any obscene, offensive or otherwise inappropriate comments or other matter.