World Water Day 2022: Photo Competition

The Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) and Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI) Asia Centre jointly announces "Photo Competition" on the occasion of World Water Day 2022 (March 22) with the theme of "Groundwater – Making the Invisible Visible."

The photo competition is open to all AIT Community and SUMERNET Network Members.

Submission Deadline: Tuesday, 15 March 2022 (ICT) Result Announcement: Tuesday, 22 March 2022 (ICT)

Event Venue: AITCC, AIT (Hybrid Mode)

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Register your photograph by clicking the link below:

https://forms.gle/5FLdUeeViLYP4qSb6

Contact: wem@ait.asia

ARTICLE 1: Purpose of the competition

World Water Day (March 22) celebrates water and raises awareness of the 2 billion people currently living without access to safe water. A core focus of World Water Day is to inspire action towards Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 6: water and sanitation for all by 2030.

The theme of World Water Day 2022 is "Groundwater – Making the Invisible Visible." Groundwater is invisible, but its impact is visible everywhere. Out of sight, under our feet, groundwater is a hidden treasure that enriches our lives. Almost all of the liquid freshwater in the world is groundwater. As climate change gets worse, groundwater will become more and more critical. We need to work together to sustainably manage this precious resource. Groundwater may be out of sight, but it must not be out of mind.

The winners of the Photo Competition will therefore be the photographers who best illustrate, both from an artistic and a descriptive point of view on its theme "Groundwater – Making the Invisible Visible".

ARTICLE 2: Entrants Requirements

- The applicant should be a current student/staff/faculty at the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) or a member of the Sustainable Mekong Research (SUMERNET) Network.
- The competition is free and open to all the AIT community and SUMERNET network members.
- One applicant is eligible to register only one photo with all the technical requirements. All the
 applications thereafter from a registered email address or different email addresses of the same
 person shall be automatically disqualified for the competition.
- All the registrations will be validated with the registered email addresses from the AIT community and the SUMERNET network. Registration not validated shall be automatically disqualified.
- The registered photo should highlight and illustrate the theme for World Water Day 2022.
- Applications received with complete requirements on or before **15 March 2022 (ICT)** shall be considered for further procession.

ARTICLE 3: Technical Requirements

The photos entered must have the following technical characteristics:

- Color or black & white with a caption and story of the photograph
- The caption should be less than or equal to 100 characters with spacing.
- The story of the photo should be less than or equal to 100 words.
- Should provide the location, date and time taken of the photograph.
- Photo Format: JPEG, PNG, or TIFF
- Minimum size of 2480 by 3508 pixels (21 x 29.7 cm), preferably the maximum size and resolution available.
- Maximum file size of 10MB per photo. If the photo exceeds this amount, the upload will not be successful.

If any of the above conditions (Article 2 & Article 3) is not met, the application shall not be considered eligible for the competition. The date and time of reception of the complete entry will be considered for purposes of meeting the deadline. Any incomplete entry, or applications submitted after the deadline or in any other form than that specified, will be disregarded. No entries will be accepted via Facebook, direct email, or letter posts.

ARTICLE 4: Obligations

The photos must comply with the theme of World Water Day 2022, "Groundwater – Making the Invisible Visible." The photos must not be obscene, violent, dangerous, racist, contrary to public order, likely to harm anyone, offend the dignity of persons or condone crimes against humanity. Photos that do not comply with these provisions will be automatically excluded from the competition.

The entrant represents and warrants that:

- he/she is the author of the photo(s) entered in the competition and therefore the exclusive owner
 of literary and artistic rights, namely the right to the name, the right of reproduction, the right of
 modification, the right to display the photo publicly, and the right to disseminate it via any
 medium anywhere in the world.
- he/she has obtained the prior consent of the persons identified in the entered photo, thus ensuring that the AIT-SEI cannot be held liable for the use of the said photo in the context of this competition.
- he/she shall provide detailed information about the photo authorship and other queries if inquired (during or after the competition period) from AIT-SEI.

ARTICLE 5: Authorization for Publication

 As the author of the entered photo, each entrant consents, as a condition of entry for the competition, to the photo being displayed at AIT-SEI website, social media platform, or any other promotional and academic activities undertaken by AIT-SEI.

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- The entrant transfers non-exclusive rights to use all or part of the photos (in their original or modified form), to reproduction, dissemination in any medium, and display, with a mention of the author's name in the copyright, in any communication or publishing medium.
- These non-exclusive rights are granted for an unlimited period from the date of submitting the entry and its acceptance by the AIT-SEI.
- Entrants retain the right to use their photos freely.

ARTICLE 6: Prizes

- First Prize: Certificate +THB 5000 + First Prize Photo Print
- Second Prize: Certificate + THB 3000 + Second Prize Photo Print
- Third Prize: Certificate + THB 1500 + Third Prize Photo Print

Note: All the winners will get a chance to tell the photo story during the event.

ARTICLE 7: Complaints

- The AIT-SEI disclaims all liability for the content of published photos and reserves the right to disqualify any entrants who fail, wholly or partially, to comply with the rules.
- The AIT-SEI cannot be held liable in connection with the competition, and the entrants will therefore not be entitled to claim any damages or compensation whatsoever.
- The AIT-SEI disclaims all liability if, for any reason, a participant submitted erroneous data for his/her entry and the system does not allow the participant to enter. Incomplete entries or those with erroneous data will be disregarded.
- The AIT-SEI disclaims all liability if, for any reason, a participant cannot access the link of the AIT-SEI Photo Competition or cannot upload the photos.
- The AIT-SEI shall not be responsible for any technical problems such as but not limited to Internet connectivity that prevents or hinder participation in the Photo Competition.
- No claims whatsoever against the AIT-SEI will be possible.

ARTICLE 9: Personal data

- Participants' entry information will be handled with the utmost confidentiality, and personal data will not be disclosed to any third parties. Entrants are entitled to access, rectify, or delete personal data concerning them. These rights can be exercised by sending a written request to the AIT-SEI at the following address: wem@ait.asia
- Entrants who exercise their right to delete data concerning them before the competition is closed will be deemed to have renounced their participation in the competition.