



## PHOTO COMPETITION RULES

### ”Through the lens - birds of Ostoja Słowińska and Pobrzeże Słowińskie”

#### I. ORGANIZER:

1. Słowiński Park Narodowy based in Smołdzino, ul. Bohaterów Warszawy 1A, tel. 59 811 72 04, fax 59 8117509, e-mail: Sekretariat@slowinski.pn.pl. Contact person - Kamila Wiewiórska.
2. The competition is carried out under the project no. LIFE13NAT/PL/000018 named “Conservation of selected habitats and species in Ostoja Słowińska PLH220023 and Pobrzeże Słowińskie PLB220003 Stage I”.

#### II. AIM:

Sensitization to the beauty of nature, to the need of the conservation of Ostoja Słowińska and Pobrzeże Słowińskie, as well as raising environmental awareness, building the responsibility for natural heritage and concern for its preservation.

#### III. PARTICIPATION:

1. The competition is nationwide and is designed for people in three age groups:
  - 1) I – primary school children;
  - 2) II – students from middle and upper secondary schools;
  - 3) III – adults (over 19)
2. In the case of minors, participation in the competition is possible with the consent of parents or legal guardians.

#### IV. THEME:

1. The competition work consists of taking a photo and activity development.
2. Photos should present birds related to the water and meadow environment, in particular the birds of the project area “Conservation of selected habitats and species in Ostoja Słowińska PLH220023 and Pobrzeże Słowińskie PLB220003 Stage I”.
3. **Developed activities should relate to the subject of birds related to the water and meadow environment**, in particular they should relate to the subject of birds of the project area “Conservation of selected habitats and species in Ostoja Słowińska PLH220023 and Pobrzeże Słowińskie PLB220003 Stage I”.
4. Activity should be developed for one of the three age groups:
  - I – grades I-III of primary school;
  - II – grades IV-VI of primary school;
  - III – grades I-III of middle secondary school.
5. Developed activity will be used by the educator during educational workshops held in primary and middle secondary schools. An example activities are listed below:
  - a. A board game (e.g. explore the Słowiński National Park);
  - b. A crossword (e.g. guess and write the names of the birds in the right fields of the crossword);
  - c. A rebus (e.g. solve the rebus and you will learn the name of the duck, which males change the colour of their plumage to a more quieter in the summer);
  - d. A word search game;
  - e. A task to do (e.g. the menu of the stork)
6. The project area is one of the most important nesting sites, foraging grounds, and sleeping areas of the birds related to the water and meadow environment.
7. Within the project area one can meet the following species of birds:

Among others, lapwing, redshank, snipe, spotted crane, corncrake, garganey, shoveler, golden plover, bean and white-fronted goose, widgeon, pintail,



common teal, gadwall, whooper and tundra swan, crane, Eurasian curlew, black-tailed godwit, whimbrel, common greenshank, wood sandpiper, ruff.

## V. DATES:

1. Announcement of the competition: 20 August 2015
2. Deadline: 31 October 2015
3. Proceedings of the evaluation committee: 2 – 6 November 2015
4. Announcement of the results of the competition: 10 November 2015
5. The opening of the post-competition exhibition: December 2015

## VI. EXECUTION OF THE PHOTOS

Participants of the competition are under the rule of ethical approach to nature (including the code developed by Polish Nature Photographer's Union (ZPFP)), in addition, capturing photos within the Słowiński National Park should be in accordance with the principles of the access to the Park ([www.slowinskipn.pl](http://www.slowinskipn.pl)).

## VII. QUANTITY:

1. One Participant of the competition, in his/her age category, sends maximum of 3 photos.
2. One Participant of the competition, in his/her age category, sends 1 activity.

## VIII. TECHNIQUE OF THE SUBMITTED COMPETITION WORKS:

1. Competition works (photos, activities) should be sent as digital files, stored on a CD/DVD.
2. CD/DVD should contain thumbnails of the photos with the size of 1920px of the longer side, and the photos at maximum resolution (uncompressed).
3. Each work must be marked with the author's emblem (name, surname of the author).
4. With submitted works, the author should include the application form and signed declaration regarding consent to the processing of personal data and granting copyright licence.



5. Samples of the application form and the declaration are available on [www.lifenatura.slowinski-pn.pl](http://www.lifenatura.slowinski-pn.pl)

## IX. WORKS SHOULD BE SENT TO THE ADDRESS:

Słowiński Park Narodowy, ul. Bohaterów Warszawy 1A, 76-214 Smołdzino with the note on the envelope “LIFE13 NAT/PL/000018 - Konkurs fotograficzny” until 31 October 2015 (postmark date serves as a proof). The submission of the works in the competition will be considered as an agreement and acceptance of these Rules.

## X. COMPETITION SETTLEMENT:

1. The works will be assessed by a four-person jury appointed by the organizer.
2. The jury meeting will be held on 2 – 6 November 2015.
3. The jury will assess the submitted works and award prizes.
4. Works that do not meet the requirements will be rejected. Jury’s decisions cannot be appealed.
5. In each age category four prizes will be awarded (1<sup>st</sup> place, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 3<sup>rd</sup> place, honourable mention).
6. The value of the prizes will be varied. The prizes may include: bicycle, optical equipment (binoculars, telescope), camera, or small tourist equipment.
7. Prizes will be sent via telecommunication operators. The organizer is not responsible for the delays and irregularities connected with the operation of the telecommunication operators.

## XI. ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS:

On the website [www.lifenatura.slowinski-pn.pl](http://www.lifenatura.slowinski-pn.pl). In addition, authors of the awarded works will be informed about the results by e-mail. The settlement of the Competition will take place 10 November 2015.

## XII. FINAL PROVISIONS:

1. The organizer reserves the right to change these Rules. Such change will be shown on the website [www.lifenatura.slowinski-pn.pl](http://www.lifenatura.slowinski-pn.pl).



2. The organizer is not responsible for the services provided by telecommunication operators, through which the Competition Participant submits his/her work.
3. The organizer does not return works submitted to the Competition.
4. In cases not covered by these Regulations, the relevant provisions of the Civil Code apply.