



# **2022 STEM Discovery Campaign**

## **Scientix Competition – STEM Activities**

### **-Terms and Conditions-**

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# SCIENTIX COMPETITION – STEM ACTIVITIES

## 1. Description of the competition

For the [2022 STEM Discovery Campaign](#) Scientix organises a competition for **Primary and Secondary schools** that aims to showcase best practices in STEM education. Throughout the campaign, from 1 February to 30 April 2022, **we invite teachers and other education stakeholders to organise STEM activities and showcase them on the [STEM Discovery Campaign Map](#).**

You can participate if you are planning to do **any activity** that promotes STEM in the context of any STEM subject. We welcome the participation of teachers in Primary, Secondary, High Schools and Vocational Education Schools.

An **activity** can take many forms: you may participate by organizing an activity that takes place on a specific day, implement a learning scenario, attend a webinar or talk and discuss the outcomes with your students, invite speakers to your class or organize a project-like activity in the span of days or weeks.

The competition is meant to facilitate exchange between educators across Europe and other parts of the world and inspire others by displaying and promoting a variety of STEM education pedagogies, methodologies and practices on the STEM Discovery Campaign blog.

The competition is coordinated by [European Schoolnet](#) (EUN), the network of 33 European Ministries of Education, based in Brussels. As a not-for-profit organisation, EUN aims to bring innovation in teaching and learning to its key stakeholders: Ministries of Education, schools, teachers, researchers, and industry partners.

The competition is held in collaboration with the [Scientix](#), the Community for Science Education in Europe, promotes and supports a Europe-wide collaboration among STEM teachers, education researchers, policymakers and other STEM education professionals. Scientix has been running since 2010 organizing teacher-training activities, dissemination conferences and events, and supporting the exchange of knowledge and experiences in STEM Education via its portal, publications and events.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The Scientix project receives funding from the European Union's H2020 research and innovation programme.

## 2. Competition duration

The competition will run from **1 February to 30 April 2022** at **23:59** Central European Time (CET).

To be eligible, organize or attend an activity or event (physically or remotely) between **1 February and 30 April 2022** and submit the activity to using the [2022 STEM Discovery Campaign Activity Submission Form](#) before the 30 April 2022 at 23:59 CET.

## 3. Eligibility

The competition is open to all primary and secondary school teachers working in countries of the European Union<sup>2</sup> and associated to the European Union<sup>3</sup> with a legal residence in one of these. Participation in the competition is subject to these Terms and Conditions which are final and binding in all respects and not subject to appeal.

## 4. How to participate

In order to participate, during the submission period indicated in section 0, we ask you to:

- **Step 1: Organize a STEM activity** between **1 February and 30 April 2022**
- **Step 2: Pin the activity** you are planning on the [2022 STEM Discovery Campaign Map](#) before 30 April 2022 at 23:59 CET and select the Scientix competition “**STEM Activities**” when prompted. For more information on how to pin your activity to the map check **section 5.1**.
- **Step 3 (Optional): Write a blog post in English** on the [2022 STEM Discovery Campaign Blog](#) when your activity is done. In the post include:
  - a. **Title** of your activity (starting with [Event])
  - b. **Dates** that it took place
  - c. Your **name**
  - d. **A brief description** of the activity or event you organized

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<sup>2</sup> Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Republic of Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Sweden.

<sup>3</sup> Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Faroe Islands, Republic of North Macedonia, Georgia, Iceland, Israel, Liechtenstein, Moldova, Montenegro, Norway, Serbia, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine and the UK.

In your blog post, you can tell us about what you did in your activity, what resources and materials you have used in order to implement the activity and how you involved your audience. You can also add pictures and other related materials to your blog posts. **In case you use pictures or videos where participants' faces are showing, please don't forget to ask first for their written permissions in accordance with the provisions of the GDPR.** We may ask you to provide us with proof of such permission before publishing any entry.

## 5. Rules and guidelines

### 5.1. Adding your activity to the 2022 STEM Discovery Campaign Map and successfully submitting the Activity Submission Form

To be eligible it is mandatory to register your activity on the [2022 STEM Discovery Map](#). While doing so, please take into consideration the below instructions:

- a) Fill in the details of the activity and your school in **Latin alphabet** and **avoid special characters**
- b) **Submissions** must be in English
- c) While looking for the exact location of your school on Google Maps please make sure to do so in Latin alphabet using no special characters. The copy and paste **the complete link** and add it in the respective field of the Activity Submission Form.
- d) The **same activity** can only be submitted to one competition and **only by one person regardless of how many organizers contributed**
- e) **Data** provided in the submission form must be **correct and truthful**
- f) You are **free to participate in more than one competition** if you indicate it in the form

### 5.2. Drafting and submitting your blogpost for the STEM Discovery Blog (Optional)

Your optional blog post can report on the activity you already carried out. In your post you may include information about:

- a) **what you did** in your **activity** (exact topic, description of activities)
- b) what **materials** and **resources** helped you to implement the activity (online or in-class)
- c) how you **involved your audience** (online)
- d) the **pedagogical value** of your activity and methods used in class
- e) **why others should use this or similar methods** with their students

Also include:

- a) **Title** of your activity
- b) **Dates** that it took place
- c) Your **name**

You may want to add pictures and other related materials to your blog posts. In case you use **pictures or videos where participants' faces are showing, do not forget to ask first for their written permissions in accordance with the provisions of the GDPR (see below)**. Only posts in English will be accepted.

All blog posts should be written in **English**, have **minimum 300 words** and **at least one picture**.

## 6. Authorisation of individuals on graphic materials

If your submission shows faces, you must be in possession of the **signed authorisation of all persons appearing in the videos and/or pictures** of your submission. For underage students you must, in addition, get their legal guardians' agreement before using their images. If you do not have these authorisations, please modify the entry by adding blur to the faces or removing the pictures of people for whom you do not have authorisation. If the submission is short-listed to be published on the webpage of the competition, please be aware that EUN will request a **confirmation that you have the signed authorisation** for all persons appearing on your video/image submitted to the competition.

## 7. Licence of content

A person who submits an entry in this competition accepts that the submitted content follows a Creative Commons License of Attribution-ShareAlike 4.0 International (CC BY-SA 4.0). Details of this license can be found here: <https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-sa/4.0/>

Please be aware that to use any copyrighted material – images, music, video – you need to be in possession of the permission of the author in written form. EUN reserves the right to request clarification on the copyrights of the materials submitted to the competition. Please read the full details carefully in Annex 1: Copyrights and Legal Issues.

## 8. Further use of text, photos and audio-visual materials

The text of your blog entry, any additional materials (e.g., Power Point presentations), audio-visual materials such as recording of your online or offline activity, podcasts and any photos you provide will be made public. In these audio-visual materials, you will be identifiable by your name, country, organisation, and job title as provided in your blogpost. These materials will be used primarily for the STEM Discovery Campaign Blog but **depending on the additional competitions you may participate** into they may be uploaded on YouTube or other websites managed by EUN, enabling EUN to embed the audio-visual materials into EUN websites and repositories of other projects coordinated by EUN, such as Scientix, STE(A)M IT (the new Integrated STEM teaching portal<sup>4</sup>) and the STEM Alliance. The materials may be further disseminated on EUN's social media channels and those of other projects coordinated by EUN, such as Scientix, STE(A)M IT and the STEM Alliance.

## 9. Disclaimer

**Please note that by participating to the “Scientix Competition – STEM Activities”, you confirm that you understand and agree to the following:**

1. That you will not receive any money for your participation in the Scientix competition or the STEM Discovery Campaign
2. If you are selected as a winner, you will be eligible for a reward. In case of rejection, Scientix will not engage in any type of dialogue and the results remain at its sole discretion
3. That your photos/recordings may be included and used in printed publications, videos, online media and websites, related to the project and/or other education projects of EUN Partnership. Your information is not intended to be transferred to destinations outside of the EU/EEA (European Economic Area), although it may be accessible to parties outside the EU/EEA via online media and websites.
4. Your photos/recordings will only be used in information/publicity materials produced within three years of the recording. We will ensure that we store the photos/recordings in a secure environment and in line with our obligations under the GDPR.
5. Your full name, country, organisation and job title may appear on any produced materials.

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<sup>4</sup> The STE(A)M IT project receives funding from the European Union's ERASMUS+ programme.

6. We will only use your photos, recordings and text on the basis of your consent as expressed in this form. You may contact us at any time to withdraw your consent for the use of the above. In such a case, we will ensure that the photos/recordings are removed from wherever they have been posted as soon as is practical. Please be aware that it may be impossible to remove your likeness where it has been included in a publication which has already been published or is in the process of being published. We will only be able to remove such incidences from future publications. If you send us a deletion request, we may ask you for further information (for example a copy of your ID or passport) in order for us to be able to verify your identity.

## **10. Selection and notification of winners**

In this competition, Scientix will select 15 winners. At the end of the submission period on 30 April 2022, Scientix will evaluate and select submissions as winners. After the evaluation and selection period, Scientix will contact potential winners via the contact information provided in the [2022 STEM Discovery Campaign Activity Submission Form](#).

Any dispute as to identity any of the prize winners will be resolved by Scientix in its sole discretion.

## **11. Awards**

Winners of this competition will be invited to a Science Projects Workshop (SPW) in Brussels if conditions allow. Alternatively, they may be invited to participate in relevant dissemination activities, educational initiatives and training opportunities organized by Scientix, gaining immense visibility for themselves and their schools.



## Annex 1: Copyrights and Legal Issues

All participants must comply with European and national laws including but not limited to copyright laws, legislation prohibiting the publication of any defamatory, discriminatory or other illegal content or any other similar laws.

The “Scientix Competition – STEM Activities” (“the Competition”) is organized by EUN Partnership AISBL (“Organizer”) within the 2022 STEM Discovery Campaign. By registering and uploading content, contestants declare that the content submitted is their original work and creation. The Organizer does not assume any responsibility for disputes between persons claiming copyrights of content. By registering and uploading content, each contestant declares that the content does not infringe any third-party rights and that they have obtained all necessary rights and licenses from third parties for the use of any materials. Contestants may not use any music that is not in the public domain or for which they have not acquired the necessary rights and licenses. The contestants will be fully responsible to the Organizer for any breach of the conditions contained in this disclaimer and, in particular, will hold the Organizer harmless from any actions brought by third parties.

The Organizer reserves the right to exclude proposals submitted for the Competition if it comes to their knowledge that there are copyright infringements or the content contains defamatory, discriminatory or other illegal material or does not comply with national legislation.

By registering and uploading content, the contestants agree that the Organizer shall have the right to make the content freely available for educational purposes on the web, CD-ROM or in any other media format for a period of three years starting from the date of the close of entries for the Competition.

By registering and uploading content the contestants declare that all identifiable individuals in their entry consented to the use of their image/performance, the submission of the content in this competition, and the use of the content by the Organizer for educational and promotional purposes in all media formats, including the web, for a period of three years from the date of the close of entries for the Competition. Contestants declare that the individuals who have provided content for their submission will sign all necessary documents granting the Organizer, if required by it, the rights free of charge to use the content as indicated above.

For promotional purposes, the winners at national level will have to make available a presentation for the Organizer of their entry in a publicly available format, e.g. a trailer, teaser, screenshot etc. By submitting their content, contestants declare their agreement that the Organizer may freely use this presentation in all media formats in its promotional activities of

the award. The Organiser shall have complete discretion as to how they want to claim and exercise these rights.

## **i. Privacy Policy**

The following statement explains our policy regarding the personal information we collect about you for the purposes of the Competition:

- Overview
- Information collection
- Use of collected information
- Length of data storage
- Site security
- Changes within this privacy policy

### **Overview**

The Competition Platform is dedicated to respecting the privacy of its users. Our intention is to provide a secure and safe environment for all users. The following statement outlines the policies by which the Platform collects, manages, and uses the data provided to us by users, and how users of the portal may exercise their rights. Use of the Platform indicates you have read these policies and agree to abide by them.

The Platform is controlled by EUN Partnership AISBL, the legal name for European Schoolnet, which acts as the Data Controller for any personal data collected via the Platform. Contact information for EUN Partnership AISBL can be found below.

### **Information collection**

To serve its users in the best way possible, the Platform requires users to submit the following information as a part of the application for the Competition:

Applicant's data (Adults): name, surname, email address, country and school or organization (if applicable).

In addition, information such as user IP address, internet service provider (ISP), web browser, operating system, approximate times of use, referring site, email address and any similar data exchanged between a user's computer and the servers of the Platform will be collected. These will not be linked to specific user accounts except as indicated below.

Finally, aggregate statistics will be collected regularly, including but not limited to the number of users and page statistics during a specific period. **Use of collected information**

Personal information provided by the user or collected during usage of the Platform will only be used to:

- Implement the Competition including judging the entries, publishing the names of the winners in the media and awarding the prizes.
- Enable and improve the user experience within this project.
- Send print materials and other items by post on request by members using address details provided by them.

Access to this information is strictly limited to EUN Partnership AISBL, as well as individual experts and judges working for the Organiser. The transfer of specific data to other third parties can be permitted under the specific authorisation of EUN Partnership AISBL acting as the Data Controller; such authorisation will only be granted by the Data Controller to third parties with a legitimate interest in the Competition, including the European Commission. Personal data will only be transferred in accordance with applicable regulations. EUN Partnership AISBL will not divulge your personal data for direct marketing purposes to third parties.

EUN Partnership AISBL will have access to provided account information and can modify and/or delete information as needed to maintain the integrity of the user database or to ensure the proper operation of the Platform.

### **Length of data storage**

Personal data provided by the users of the site or collected during their usage of the site will not be stored by EUN Partnership AISBL in a form allowing the identification of the users for longer than three years after the date of the close of entries for the Competition. In addition, registered users may contact the EUN Partnership AISBL as indicated below to terminate their accounts, which will result in the deletion of the personal data that they have provided during registration.

### **Site security**

The Platform has implemented and continues to maintain appropriate technical and management measures to keep your personal information secure and safe from loss, damage, corruption, or deletion.

### **Changes within this privacy policy**

Any and all changes to this privacy policy will be posted here and will take effect upon their publication. If you have any questions or concerns about this privacy policy, at any time, please contact: [privacy@eun.org](mailto:privacy@eun.org).

## **ii. Contacting EUN Partnership AISBL**

EUN Partnership AISBL is based in Brussels (Belgium). For any questions related to the Platform, including your rights to access, correct and delete your personal information under applicable data protection law, you can contact us:

By e-mail: [privacy@eun.org](mailto:privacy@eun.org)

By mail: EUN Partnership AISBL  
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### **PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

Please note that we use a third-party processor (Google Drive) to process the submissions to the Competition and any personal data relating to it (name, surname, email, phone, address, organisation, school name, country). Such processing will be carried out in accordance with Google Drive's terms and conditions (see <https://www.google.com/drive/terms-of-service/>). Any personal data covered by this form will be processed in accordance with the new EU Regulation on Data Protection (GDPR) which came into force on the 25th May 2018.

### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

By completing the submission and reporting forms and sending in your personal data (name, surname, email, phone, address, organisation, school name, country) you are consenting to the processing of your personal data as detailed above.

### **Contacts**

Please note that you have the right to contact us at any time and ask us to correct any personal data we hold on you or ask for it to be deleted. If you have any questions regarding this competition, please contact [SDC2022@eun.org](mailto:SDC2022@eun.org).

If you feel that we have not dealt correctly with any personal data we are holding on you (see section above) or wish to make an official complaint, please contact the Belgian Data Protection Authorities:

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