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ESSAY WRITING CONTEST

"WHAT YOU KNOW AND UNDERSTAND ABOUT EUROPE, WRITE IT DOWN AND WIN A TRIP TO FASCINATING EUROPEAN CITIES"

On the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the European Union and the "Europe Days 2017" program, the Delegation of the European Union to Vietnam, in collaboration with the Vietnam Student Newspaper, organizes an essay writing contest on three optional topics on Europe. Three 1st Prizes will be 3 round trips to Europe.

I. Organizers
Delegation of the European Union to Vietnam.
Vietnamese Student Newspaper.

The event is supported by the French Embassy, the Italian Embassy and Air France.

II. Contestants
Vietnamese people, under 35 years old, who are residing in the country. (Members of the organizing committee and the jury are not eligible to participate).

III. Submitted entries
1. **Genre**: Prose.
2. **Subject**: You are invited to express your understanding on the three optional topics as follows:

2.1. Diversity of European cultures: What can you say about European unity in culture through art, music, architecture, painting, literature and cinema?

2.2. Technology and innovation: What technological and innovation achievement of Europe impresses you most, please share with us!

2.3. **European Integration:** 2017 marks the 60th anniversary of the signing of the Rome Treaties. What was established as the European Economic Community on March 25 1957 has now becomed a 28-member Union, uniting the continent in peace and ensuring the prosperity and stability. This is unprecedented in European history. What do you think about the process of European integration?

3. Requirements:

3.1. Content: Contestants are free to express and write understanding, perception, thoughts, visualizations, or personal stories and memories that relate to the topics covered.

3.2. Language: The language for in the essays is Vietnamese.

3.3. Number of words: Essay should not exceed 1,000 words. In case of hand-writing: write on only one side of the paper. In case of typing: A4 size, Times New Roman font size 12, Unicode, Vietnamese with tones.

3.4. Copyrights: All submitted essays must have not been published in any media or other publications. Contestants are responsible for the origin and copyrights of submitted essays..

3.5. Number of submissions: One contestant can submit more than one essay.

3.6. Information of contestants: All essays must include contestant's information: date of birth, contact address, telephone (required), e-mail address (if applicable).

3.7. Rights of use of the essays:

Copyright of the contesting writings will be vested in the organiser and has full rights to use the awarded or non-awarded entries for its own purposes;

IV. How to submit the essay

• Submit via e-mail: antuongeu@gmail.com

• Via post: It requires to be written on the envelop as follows: Contest "Writing about the EU", Vietnam Student Newspaper - Hoa Hoc Tro, lot 29D Cay Giay New Urban Area, Yen Hoa ward, Cau Giay District, Hanoi.

• For enquiries about the contest please contact: 04. 62735735 (ext. 130, during office hours).

V. Deadline for submission and timing of the award

• All essays must be received by 5pm 31/5/2017.

• The results of the contest will be published in all publications of Vietnamese Student Newspaper and other mass media.
• An award ceremony will be held in June, 2017. The organizing committee will contact winners for the invitation.

The organizer reserves the right not to response to complaints about the submission of essays. All essays will not be returned to contestants.

VI. Evaluation

- A jury, consisting of prestigious journalists, writers, and diplomats, will be set up. The evaluation will be organized strictly in accordance with regulations.

VII. Prize
The essay will award 3 First Prizes:

First prize 1: an one-week visit to **Rome and Florence (Italy),** including return air ticket and 5 hotel nights;
First prize 2: an one-week visit to **Brussels (Belgium),** including return air ticket and 5 hotel nights;
First Prize 3: A one-week visit to **Paris (France),** including return air ticket and 5 hotel nights