

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE NORBERT ZONGO PRIZE FOR JOURNALISM OF INVESTIGATION

TITLE I – CONSTITUTION AND OBJECT

Article 01 The Norbert Zongo Prize for Journalism of investigation, is instituted and placed under the responsibility of the Centre National de Presse Norbert Zongo.

Article 02 The prize is granted at the time of the International Festival of the freedom of expression, to journalists of newspapers industry, radio and television, who have been outstanding in the journalism of investigation.

Article 03 The Norbert Zongo Prize aims at promoting a journalism of investigation and research, on subjects related to the political, economic, social and cultural life of the country.

Article 04 The Norbert Zongo Prize rewards professionalism and the respect of deontology

TITLE II: PARTICIPATION

Article 05 The Prize is opened to all the journalists of West Africa (ECOWAS and Mauritania).

Article 06 All the candidates must be at least eighteen years old.

Article 07 The candidates must be journalists from West Africa, regularly employed in a news agency or regularly collaborating with West African medias.

Article 08 Works of high professional quality are required and must be published in the press of the sub region between **May 3, 2008 and May 3, 2009**.

Article 09 The candidatures for the Norbert Zongo Prize are proposed by:

- the media where he is employed

Article 10 Two copies of the works must be sent to the jury, at the Centre National de Presse Norbert Zongo, 04 BP 8524 Ouagadougou 04 Burkina Faso

Email: cnpress@cnpress-zongo.org - Fax: (226) 50 34 37 45 – Phone: 50 34 37 45 and 50 34 41 89, no later than **September 30, 2009**.

Article 11 Candidates can propose only one work per category (Newspaper, radio and television).

Article 12 The candidature package should comprise:

- a declaration of candidature on a plain paper with a complete indication of the identity of the candidate (name, first names, pseudonym);
- a certificate of the media confirming his membership or his collaboration with the media which have published his work
- a C.V of the candidate, bearing his photograph
- a handwritten and signed declaration authorizing the Centre National de Presse Norbert Zongo to use his name, his voice, his images and the whole of the work in case he is gifted, without any compensation and on all media supports, within the framework of publicity and public relations or information on the Prize.

TITLE III – THE JURY

Article 13 An international jury of five members designates the winners.

Article 14 The members of the jury are professionals of communication, teachers, and activists of the defence of the freedom of the press. Any other person presenting such guarantees can be designated as a member of the jury.

Article 15 The members of the jury are selected according to the periodicity of the prize. The members of the outgoing jury can be taken back.

Article 16: The jury elects a president and a reporter.

Article 17 The practical methods of organization and operation of the jury are subject to rules and regulations taking inspiration from the general spirit of the present rules and regulations.

Article 18 The members of the jury are not remunerated. However the operating costs of the jury are financed by the Centre National de Presse Norbert Zongo.

Article 19 The deliberations of the jury are undeniable.

TITLE IV: PRIZES

Article 20 The Norbert Zongo Prize for the journalism of investigation is ONE MILLION CFA (1.000 000 F) per category. Each prize is supplied with a trophy and a diploma.

Article 21 The first prize for any category, called the "SEBGO" is ONE MILLION CFA (1.000 000 F), a diploma and a trophy.

Article 22 A candidate cannot be a prize winner for two consecutive years. The jury can grant special rewards.

Article 23 The prize delivery will occur as an official ceremony during the International Festival of the freedom of the press.

TITLE V: TRANSITORY AND FINAL CLAUSES

Article 24 The practical organization of the prize is carried out by the Centre National de Presse Norbert Zongo. But it can be supported by houses and press centres or other professional media structures in the sub region, for collecting candidatures.

Article 25 The steering committee of the Centre National de Presse Norbert Zongo can modify these rules and regulations, but this should be brought to the notice of the public.

Article 26 The prize will be launched each 3 May, on the occasion of the world freedom of the press day.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS

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