



European Economic and Social Committee

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The European Association of Coal and Lignite – EURACOAL – and the Consultative Commission on Industrial Change – CCMI of EESC invite you to participate in a joint photo competition on "Faces of modernization in the European coal industry".

The 30 best photos will be shown in an exhibition in the European Economic and Social Committee in Brussels. The idea behind this competition is to show the modernization of the coal and lignite industry over the years and how people have adapted to these changes. The pictures shall bring the faces of modern coal and lignite mining closer to European citizens and policy makers, in order to create a positive image of this often forgotten industry.

We encourage you to take part and share your images of this important industry. Deadline for submission will be 30th August 2012. The exhibition will take place from 12th to 16th November 2012.

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FACES OF MODERNISATION IN THE EUROPEAN COAL INDUSTRY

RULES

Participation and organizer

The organizers of the competition are the European Association of Coal and Lignite – EURACOAL - and the Consultative Commission on Industrial Change – CCMI of EESC. Every photographer (amateur or professional) who has reached the age of 18 can participate. All participants have to accept the terms and conditions of the competition which can be found on EURACOAL's website (www.euracoal.org). Every photo must be documented by a short description and personal motivation of max. 500 characters.

Deadline

Deadline is 30th August 2012. Later contributions will no longer be taken into account.

Theme

In the race for a better and cleaner world, the European coal and lignite industry is actively contributing by making huge efforts to develop the world's best available mining technologies. The coal industry strives to be a safe industry, protecting its people and the environment, even if these changes have a positive effect on their workplaces and conditions.

In the last decades, the coal industry therefore underwent many changes which can lead to adaptation difficulties and a lack of understanding among some workers.

The purpose of this contest is therefore to show that behind the high-tech equipment there are men and women who have to handle this equipment.

The competition wants to share this experience with European citizens and key decision makers in the European institutions by showing the faces behind the European coal and lignite industry.

Winners and awards

The winners will be selected by a competent jury. The 30 best photos will be shown to the public in an exhibition which will take place from $12^{th} - 16^{th}$ November 2012 in Brussels (Jaques Delors Building of the European Economic and Social Committee). The overall winner will receive a digital camera (value \notin 500).

If the quality of a contribution does not match the required minimum level, the judges have the right to disqualify the photo. All off-theme or fraudulent contributions, as well as any attempts to damage the European coal industry, will automatically disqualify the participant.

Number and size of photos

Each participant is allowed to send 3 photos in total. The size of the picture should not exceed 5MB. Photos can be taken with any camera, as long as they are in digital format and high resolution for exhibition (no scanned photos will be accepted).

Rights

All submitted photos must be the exclusive result of the personal work of the participant. Photos from third persons are not permitted. All photos must be free of copyright.

The participants agree that the submitted photos might be used outside of the competition free of charge on the Internet and in print (flyers, brochures, etc.) by EURACOAL and the EESC.