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Last Days of "Europe is MORE than You Think" Contest

THE journalistic competition for young journalists from ALL over Europe

<u>Seven</u> days left for young journalists and media makers to win a reporting trip to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg!

"Europe is More than You Think" contest reached it's final week. This is the last chance for young media makers to upload audio material, video footage, texts and fotos of journalistic value on the Youthmedia.eu platform, in the contest area. Participants should submit their work in French or English by clicking the "Add to contest" button on the Media page, after uploading. Last admission date is the 6th of December.

All materials should cut through the stereotypes and show what Europe really stands for and what it means to be European in the 21st century.

The award is open to residents of <u>Council of Europe member states</u>, with the most important rule being that entrants must be aged between 18 and 27.

The top submissions will be announced in December 2009. The first prize winners in each of the four categories will receive a 4-day paid visit to Strasbourg, France, to attend and report on the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, which takes place on 26-30 January 2010. Second and third prizes are Software packages by <u>Adobe</u> and books.

Jury members are: Cathie Burton – Head of Campaigns Team, <u>Council of Europe</u>, Alun Drake – Head of Audiovisual service, <u>Council of Europe</u>, Sebastian Olenyi – <u>Youthmedia e.V.</u>, Irina Lurcin – <u>European Youth Press</u>, Marc Roche – London correspondant of <u>LeMonde</u> and Irene Sacchi – <u>Indigo Magazine</u>. 'Europe is More Than You Think' Award 2009 is organised jointly by the <u>Council of Europe</u> and the <u>European Youth Press</u>, the network of young media-creators.

For 60 years, the Council of Europe has promoted human rights, democracy and the rule of law. As an international institution, it has sought to bring a human touch to the European agenda.

Youthmedia.eu is an European learning and sharing online community for young media makers. It is accessible for anyone who wants to upload, find, discuss and use free of charge journalistic value materials.

More information and participation possibility on www.youthmedia.eu/more

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