



# FINDING BEARINGS

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

### **Article 1: Organizer**

Photo contest FINDING BEARINGS is organized by the LIFE DINAL BEAR project team (LIFE13 NAT/SI/000550). Beneficiary responsible for this activity is Biotechnical Faculty, University of Ljubljana.

### **Article 2: What photos to enter**

We seek European bear images obtained in the wild under natural conditions and images that tell a story about bear conservation and promote co-existence of humans with bears (e.g. responsible organic waste disposal in bear areas, livestock damage mitigation measures, ecotourism and similar). Contestants must not submit images that involve harassment of wildlife or damage to the environment.

### **Article 3: Eligibility and terms of participation**

The contest is open to all amateur and professional photographers worldwide. If entrants are younger than 18, their parents or legal guardians must submit a written participation consent. LIFE DINALP BEAR project associates can participate in the contest, but the jury will not include their work in their winner's selection. They also cannot be awarded with the public voting award. Their photos, however, can be chosen for the exhibition.

#### **Article 4: Photo entry information**

FINDING BEARINGS photo contest has no entry fee. Participation is free.

All entrants first fill out the application form at [dinalpbear.eu](http://dinalpbear.eu) providing their contact information.

Entrants must agree to the rules of participation by checking the appropriate box.

If entrants are younger than 18, their parents or legal guardians must submit a written participation consent. They should send it to: Biology department of Biotechnical faculty, 101 Jamnikarjeva, 1000 Ljubljana.

Entrants can then begin uploading their images. Each photographer can enter the contest with up to 3 photos.

Uploaded photos will be approved by administrators and published on the LIFE DINALP BEAR webpage no later than the following working day until 10 AM. Images uploaded by photographers under 18 will be published once their parents' consent is provided.

#### **Article 5: Technical requests**

Both colour and monochromatic digital images will be accepted. Camera-made digital images must be uploaded as jpg or png files.

The dimension of a photos must be at least 1,920 by 1,080 pixels. There is a maximum file size of 5 megabytes per image.

Acceptable digital manipulation includes adjustments of colour, contrast, brightness and sharpness, removal of dust and scratches, cropping. Addition, duplication, deletion or moving of elements in the photos is not acceptable.

Authors of the 4 winning photos and additional 30 photos presented at the exhibition will be invited to provide original images in full resolution adequate for print.

#### **Article 6: Intellectual property**

By submitting the participation agreement, entrants ensure the contest organizer that they are the authors and copy right owners of submitted photos, and that there are no rights claimed by third parties in those photos.

Authors retain ownership and all other rights to future use of the photographs they enter, except for the following: Your entry to the contest constitutes of your agreement to allow your entered photographs—and your name, city, country of residence and photo information—to be published for the needs of FINDING BEARINGS contest and photo exhibition organization.

LIFE DINALP BEAR project encourages the photographers to choose to donate their images for the exclusive non-profit project use (webpage, Facebook, publications...). If you wish to donate image(s), please check the appropriate box in your participation agreement. Donating your photos is not in any way required nor it will affect the jury choice.

### **Article 7: Contest entry period**

FINDING BEARINGS contest opens at 12:05 PM (UTC +1) on March 20, 2017. The final date for submitting photos is April 20, 2017, at 11:59 PM (UTC +1).

Online voting will be open throughout the whole duration of contest.

The contest jury will make its selection between April 24 and May 10 2017.

Authors of images presented at the photo exhibition will be invited to provide images in printing quality by May 13.

FINDING BEARINGS photo exhibition opening will be held in Ljubljana, end of May 2017.

### **Article 8: Jury and prizes**

International 3-member jury will choose 3 winning photos.

**1st prize: Discover Dinarics 3-day promotion excursion in September 2017 + bear friendly products package valued 50 €**

**2nd prize: bear friendly products package valued 100 €**

**3rd prize: bear friendly products package valued 50 €.**

Online voting winner selection will be based on 2 criteria (number of votes (60%) and average mark (40%)).

**The online voting winner will receive a bear friendly product package valued 50 €.**

**The prizes are non-transferable and are not redeemable for cash or other prizes.**

The jury will choose additional 30 photos, which will be exhibited. Traveling photo exhibition FINDING BEARINGS will be on display in Slovenia, Austria and Croatia from May 27 2017 until November 30 2018.

**All authors of exhibited images will receive a LIFE DINALP BEAR fleece jacket and a beanie (hat).**

### **Article 9: How to contact us**

For questions and inquiries regarding contest rules or technical matters please contact us at [finding.bearings@gmail.com](mailto:finding.bearings@gmail.com).