

## Note for the members of the international jury of PIARC prizes

This note provides indications on the organization and content of the work of the jury.

### Membership of the jury

The jury will be chaired by Claude Van Rooten (Belgium), in his role as Chair of PIARC's Communication Commission. The jury will be composed of:

- One representative of each of the countries which are sponsoring one the prizes, that is:
  - o Canada-Québec (Young Professionals prize), Catherine Berthod
  - o France (Young Professionals prize), Hubert Peigné
  - o Australia-New-Zealand (Road Safety prize), Bill Frith
  - o Switzerland (Sustainable Development prize), Jean Beauverd
  - o Belgium (Construction, Maintenance, Operation prize), Tim Lonneux
  - o Romania (Communication prize), Gheorghe Lucaci
  - o Japan (Developing countries prize), Tadayuki Tazaki
  - o United-Kingdom (Maurice Milne medal), John Smart
- PIARC Secretary General, Jean-François Corté.

The secretary of the jury will be Arve Kirkevold (PIARC General Secretariat).

### The prizes, the rules

The 35 (*tentative number*) essays which have been selected at the national level together with one essay (Canada) which was received directly by the General Secretariat (because no competition was organized at the national level), which are to be forwarded for evaluation by the international jury, are being compiled by the General Secretariat in a data-base.

A table in the appendix provides a list of these essays.

The essays are classified according to one of the four themes for which they were entered in the competition:

1. Construction, maintenance, operation
2. Road safety
3. Sustainable development
4. Communication.

You are invited to visit the following PIARC website address:

[http://www.piarc.org/en/paris2007/piarc\\_prizes/](http://www.piarc.org/en/paris2007/piarc_prizes/)

in order to find the rules of the competition as they were explained to the participants.

### Development of the work of the jury

The *jury will meet only once* to make the final decision for award of the prizes. This meeting will take place in March or April 2007. Consultation on dates for the meeting will be made later.

The evaluation will be completed using the Internet, along with an application developed by the General Secretariat that will enable you to download the essays and make your evaluation on-line.

In addition to this note, you will receive a login and password which will allow you to access the jury's website.

The homepage of this website contains a table with the list and links to all the essays you are invited to assess. This table also contains the date of your last evaluation for each essay. From this table you can download the pdf files of the essays.

**Every member of the jury** is asked to make an evaluation **of all the essays**. For this task, the members of the jury can look for the help of experts from their own country if they feel it is useful to make a proper assessment of the content.

When you click on the title of the essay, you open the evaluation form. This form must be filled-in on-line. Once completed, you can print it and submit it.

At any time, you can modify an evaluation you have made and resubmit it. However, the system will only keep track of your last evaluation.

The evaluation will be organized in two stages:

### **First stage**

In this first stage, you are asked to make a first screening among all the entries in order to keep those which, in your opinion, are worth considering for an in-depth evaluation and for discussion for an award.

For this first stage, you are invited to read all of the essays and to fill in the first part of the evaluation form, that is:

Select either:

- possible candidate for an award
- not kept for the second stage

*Provide comment:*

Make comment of the most remarkable aspects of the essay (in your opinion) or, on the contrary, the aspects which lead to the exclusion of the essay from an award.

Note:

- there is no limit fixed to the number (minimum or maximum) of essays to be kept for the second stage;
- you can also complete, if you wish, the other evaluation criteria for the second stage, but those will only be considered at that stage.

You are asked to complete this **first stage** of the evaluation **before 30 November 2006**.

In **December**, you will receive a synthesis of this first stage, and a proposed list of essays selected for the second stage.

The Chair of the Jury may decide to have a telephone conference if it appears there are very different opinions among the jury, in order to confirm the selection for the second stage.

### **Second stage**

For each essay kept for the second stage, you are invited to complete the evaluation (if you have not done so already) by answering on-line the following questions:

*Criteria:*

For each of the following criteria

- Innovative aspect
- Significance of the proposed content
- Applicability
- International significance (*do you think that the content is of interest to many countries*)
- Pluridisciplinarity
- Quality of the essay

select one level of appraisal

Superior

Medium

Lower

Non applicable

*Comment:*

Highlight the most remarkable aspects to justify an award, or on the contrary, those aspects leading to the exclusion of the essay from an award.

*Possible candidate for the Maurice Milne prize*

Yes/No

*Comment:*

If yes, justify your reasons

Note: any essay can be considered for the Maurice Milne medal, whatever the theme of the entry.

You are invited to complete this *second stage* of the evaluation *before 27 February 2007*.

In *March 2007*, you will receive a synthesis of the answers collected during this second stage. This synthesis will serve as support for the deliberation meeting of the jury, which will be called in Paris for the allocation of the prizes.

**Announcement of the awards**

At the end of the deliberation meeting, the jury will write a report for consideration by the Executive Committee of PIARC.

The General Secretariat will inform the winners who will be invited to the Paris Congress (one member per winning team is invited).

Official announcement of the awards will be made during the congress.

Each winning team will have the opportunity to present a poster in a special area of the exhibition, and to make an oral presentation in this area.

The winning essays will be published in Routes/Roads and in the proceedings of the congress.

Jean-François Corté  
PIARC Secretary General

*Att. Table of the essays*