

THE REGULATION OF “THE SCHOOL OF EDELWEISS AMBASSADORS” PROJECT

This Regulation is approved by the “EDELWEISS” Foundation (the Organizer) in order to organize and conduct “The School of Edelweiss Ambassadors” Project (Campaign).

The Project will be held under the terms and conditions set by this Regulation which are compulsory for the Organizer and the Participants.

DEFINITIONS

- **The Regulation of “The School of Edelweiss Ambassadors” Project** – is a document developed according to the current legislation of the Republic of Moldova, approved by the Organizer which establishes the terms and conditions for the Project implementation.
- **The “EDELWEISS” Foundation (the Organizer)** – is a non-governmental, non-profit and apolitical organization from the Republic of Moldova with the mission to contribute to society development by drafting and implementing projects in the social, cultural and educational sectors.
- **Beneficiaries** – children aged 14-16 years from the Hincesti district
- **The territory of application of the Regulation** – the Regulation is applied on the territory of the Republic of Moldova.
- **The territory of the Project** – the whole territory of the Republic of Moldova.
- **Donor** – any individual or legal entity (third persons) that contributes to the Project by donating funds, goods, etc.

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1.1. The name of the Project is: The School of Edelweiss Ambassadors
- 1.2. The project will be implemented between March 17, 2016 and December 31, 2016 with the possibility of extension for an indefinite period.
- 1.3. Aim of the Project: The School of Edelweiss Ambassadors is a project that targets pupils of the 9th grade aged 14-16 years which aims to persuade pupils to continue their studies after the ninth grade and to identify 20 pupils – the Foundation ambassadors who will be trained and encouraged throughout the year to learn and develop in the field of

interest. This Project aims to provide career counselling to pupils who are making the first choices about their professional future, who want to develop their career or move towards a profession.

Through the proposed activities the Edelweiss Foundation will educate 20 pupils and will help them to identify their passions, desires, areas of interest, the career they want to follow. It will promote them during the year and will offer useful free courses (i.e. English, computing, communication, psychology, good manners, etc.).

1.4. The project targets pupils from Hincesti district, continuing throughout the whole territory of the Republic of Moldova.

1.5. Target group description: “The School of Edelweiss Ambassadors” is a project that targets pupils of the 9th grade aged 14-16 years.

1.6. For public disclosure, the Regulation is published on the Organizer’s official website www.edelweiss.md. The Regulation can be viewed by any interested person and is offered absolutely free.

1.7. The Organizer reserves the right to modify any of the conditions set by this Regulation during the project period, but not before informing the public about these changes.

1.8. The ultimate objective of the Project is to educate 20 pupils and help them identify their passions, desires, areas of interest, the career they want to follow.

II. THE PROJECT MECHANISM

2.1. The Project will be launched in March 2016 and comprises the following stages:

STAGE No. 1 – Launching the School of Edelweiss Ambassadors Project

Date: 24 – 25 March 2016

Location: Hincesti city, Community Centre, Mihalcea Hincu street, No. 130, 14:00

The official launch of the Pilot Project: The School of Edelweiss Ambassadors will take place on 24 –25 March 2016. The event is designed for pupils of the 9th grade from Hincesti district which will benefit from a thematic course called “Career orientation in adolescence”. The pupils

participating in the course will have the opportunity to apply to the School of Edelweiss Ambassadors by fulfilling the documents (see below) distributed by the Edelweiss representatives on March 24 – 25, 2016, at the Community Centre, city of Hincesti, Mihalcea Hincu street, No. 130, 14:00 – 15:00.

The list of documents to apply to the School of Edelweiss Ambassadors:

- a. Application Form that must be fulfilled by the pupil and countersigned by the legal guardian;
- b. The consent of the parents/legal guardian regarding the project;
- c. Writing an essay on a topic below:

Topic 1: *Tell a story which assured you that a friend in need is a friend indeed.*

Topic 2: Write a text that ends with the following sentence: *... and thus, after this incident, I have proved that my opinion also matters for the adults.*

Topic 3: Write a text that starts with the following sentence: *When I was little, I wanted to grow up to be able to...*

RULES:

- The text must have 1-2 pages.
- The text must express the applying pupil's thoughts conveying a real or imaginary story.
- The text should clearly state your thoughts about a situation, your arguments and opinions.
- The application documents for the School of Edelweiss Ambassadors Project must be submitted by mail at the address:

The Edelweiss Foundation: The School of Ambassadors

Dimitrie Cantemir Boulevard, 1/1

MD-2001, Chisinau

The Republic of Moldova

STAGE No. 2 –Collection of documents and selection of participants

Date: March 25, 2016 – May 5, 2016

The participation documents for the School of Edelweiss Ambassadors will be collected at the Edelweiss Foundation address during March 25, 2016 – May 5, 2016. Only the completely filled in and signed by the applicant's legal guardian documents will be considered valid.

No document is considered if it is unclear, incomplete, with missing signatures or whether it is filled in on other sheets than those intended to be filled in. The Application Forms are accepted both in Romanian and Russian languages.

Only the documents for participation which came at the Edelweiss Foundation address by May 5, 2016, 18:00 will be analyzed.

The documents for participation will be analyzed by the Organizer, and the selection will be based on the text made by the applicant. Top 20 most ingenious, interesting, well-structured and attractive texts will be selected. The texts may convey real or invented stories.

STAGE No. 3 – The list of the selected participants

Date: May 6, – May 20, 2016

20 pupils will be selected to participate in the School of Edelweiss Ambassadors Project who will benefit from free courses in various areas during 2016 with the possibility to extend the Project for an indefinite period.

The pupil's parents will be contacted by phone and will be invited to the Edelweiss Foundation headquarters during May – June of 2016.

The list the School of Edelweiss Ambassadors participants will be published on www.edelweiss.md.

STAGE No. 4 – The Week of Knowledge: The School of Edelweiss Ambassadors

Date: July 4 – July 10, 2016

Those 20 pupils beneficiaries of the Project will benefit starting with the 4th of July 2016 from the Summer school called the Week of Knowledge that will last from 5 (five) to 7 (seven) days and will include free courses for participants on various topics such as: communication, health, career, culture and excursions. The Organizer will ensure round trip for the beneficiaries of the Project. "The Week of Knowledge" agenda will be published two weeks in advance on the Edelweiss website www.edelweiss.md.

STAGE No. 5 – Training for pupils of the School of Edelweiss Ambassadors

"The Week of Knowledge" will continue with the training of those 20 pupils who monthly will benefit from various lessons, activities, volunteering, courses, i.e.:

- Visit to a museum
- Visit to a theatre
- Watching a movie
- Visit to a television
- Volunteering within the Edelweiss events (cleaning up a park, painting a fence in a kindergarten, planting trees, etc.)
- Various practical classes
- IT, communication, language courses, etc.

The agenda of the lessons will be previously agreed with the parents and/or the legal guardian of the participant and will be published on the Edelweiss Foundation's official website two weeks in advance.

STAGE No. 6 – Appointment of the Edelweiss Ambassadors

All the pupils within the Project will receive a certificate of participation in the School of Edelweiss Ambassadors. The Edelweiss Ambassador Title will get the dedicated pupils, who will perform all the projects within the School of Edelweiss Ambassadors and will demonstrate eagerness and results throughout the 2016 school year.

III. THE RIGHT FOR PARTICIPATION

3.1. The right to participate have the pupils residing in the Hincesti district and those who are enrolled in one of the educational institutions from the same locality in the 9th grade.

3.2. The pupils aged 14-16 years who obtained the approval from the parents and/or the legal guardian to participate in activities.

IV. PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION

4.1. According to the current legislation, the Organizer may publish the name of each participant selected for the project: The School of Edelweiss Ambassadors. The list will be posted on www.edelweiss.md after selection, according to the provisions of this Regulation.

4.2. By simple participation in the contest or sending the personal data to the Organizers, or communicating the personal data on www.edelweiss.md, the participants agree that their data enter into the Organizers database to be processed and used in future by the Organizer or legal persons authorized by him to inform participants about new courses, activities, promotions, campaigns, etc.

4.3. At the participants' express written request, the Organizer will no longer use their personal data upon receipt of the request and the pupil will be replaced by another pupil who will be found in the waiting list for participation in the project.

V. MEDIATIZATION

5.1. The main source of information of citizens about the project is www.edelweiss.md website, print media and video/audio news on the TV channels of the Republic of Moldova.

5.2. The project will be promoted through various cultural, educational or social activities that will encourage pupils to continue their studies and prevent school dropout.

5.3. Any Donor will have the possibility to participate in donation along with the Organizer observing the Regulation of the Project.

6. TERMINATION AND SUSPENSION OF THE CAMPAIGN. FORCE MAJEURE.

6.1. The Project may be terminated prematurely in case of an event of force majeure or unforeseeable circumstances, as laid down by the current legislation of the Republic of Moldova which hinder the Project implementation in suitable conditions.

6.2. Force Majeure means any external, unforeseeable, absolutely invincible and unavoidable event that makes the Organizer unable to fulfil its obligations.

6.3. The Organizer is released from liability in the event of early termination of the Project in case of an event of force majeure or unforeseeable circumstances.

6.4. The Project may terminate before the end of the established period or may be suspended at any time based on the Organizer's decision.

7. DISPUTES

7.1. Any disputes between the Organizer and the Participants on any issue related to the Project implementation shall be settled amicably and in case an amicable settlement is impossible, the disputes shall be settled by the competent courts of the Republic of Moldova according to the current legislation of the Republic of Moldova.

8. FINAL PROVISIONS

8.1. The Regulation is developed and made public according to the applicable legislation in the Republic of Moldova and is available for the entire duration of the Campaign on www.edelweiss.md;

8.2. This Regulation enters into force on the date of approval and is valid for the entire period of the Project.