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# 35<sup>th</sup> FIAP BLACK & WHITE BIENNIAL OMAN 2022



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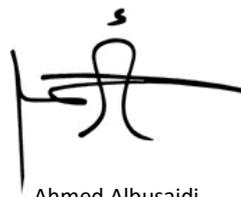
**CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: 31 MAY 2022**

## INVITATION

It's a pleasure to invite you on behalf of the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Youth – Sultanate of Oman, to participate in the 35th Black and White FIAP Biennial.

Hosting such an artistic event that is tied with the tradition and heritage of FIAP is a great honor for the Sultanate of Oman, a country known for its pride in culture and cultural exchange with many countries and international organizations.

The event is an opportunity for black and white artists to compete on very high standards of prints to be exhibited. The Biennial is a unique competition in that it requires a collection of work that is presented as a whole and judged globally for its coherence as well as the inspiration and conception, an outstanding opportunity to share the best work from your federation.



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## CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

The participation in the Biennial is free and is **ONLY open for the FIAP Operational Members** which have paid their annual membership fee.

Each federation will select itself the works (the collection) it wants to present. This collection has to be coherent as well for the inspiration and the conception as for the realization and the presentation. The federation has the choice of the subject and the presentation of its works. A title for the collection is mandatory.

The works must not have been sent to any previous FIAP Biennials. The images must not have any signature, text or distinctive mark on it.

**IMPORTANT: NUDE photography is not allowed in this Biennial.**

The participating works have to be in agreement with the FIAP definition of the Black and White photography (monochrome).

### **Definition of the black and white photography (monochrome)**

A black and white work fitting from the very dark grey (black) to the very clear grey (white) is a monochrome work with the various shades of grey. A black and white work toned entirely in a single colour will remain a monochrome work able to stand in the black and white category; such a work can be reproduced in black and white in the catalogue of a salon under FIAP Patronage. On the other hand a black and white work modified by a partial toning or by the addition of one colour becomes a colour work (polychrome) to stand in the colour category; such a work requires colour reproduction in the catalogue of a salon under FIAP Patronage.

The judging of the collections is made in two steps:

- 1) the judging of each work of the collection
- 2) the global judgement of the collection

The total score of a collection is obtained thereafter by the addition of the points from the two different judgements.

Registration and image upload only via the FIAP website: <https://www.fiap.net/en/biennials>

## SECTIONS

### ONLY ONE SECTION: PRINTS

The entry is limited to **10 photographs** per federation with a maximum of **one (1) work per author**. The prints must be unmounted and in the format 30 x 40 cm (12" x 16") or A3. Smaller prints must be mounted on a very light support of 30 x 40 cm. No prints will be returned. All prints will be destroyed after exhibitions.

Each print must bear at the back the following data:

- country (federation) of the author
- name and surname of the author
- title of the work
- successive number according to the order presented

During the on-line entry you will need to upload a digital version of the prints. Files should be in JPG, sRGB, 300 dpi. Image size: **2400 pixels minimum and 3500 pixels maximum** for the largest side. Maximum file size **6 MB**. There are no requirements for special filenames, the files will be renamed automatically during upload.

With the sole act of submitting his/her images or files to a FIAP Biennial, the entrant accepts without exception and with no objection:

- that the submitted images can be investigated by FIAP to establish if these obey to FIAP regulations and definitions even if the entrant is not a member of FIAP
- that FIAP will use any means at its disposal for this undertaking
- that any refusal to cooperate with FIAP or any refusal to submit the original files as captured by the camera, or failure to provide sufficient evidence, will be sanctioned by FIAP
- that in case of sanctions following the non-compliance with FIAP regulations, the name of the entrant will be released in any form useful to inform the breaches of the rules

It is recommended to leave the EXIF data in the submitted files intact in order to ease eventual investigations.

A declaration of consent and responsibility for images form will be provided. No entry will be accepted without the corresponding form signed by the person representing the participating Operational Member.

## SENDING THE PRINTS

Please send the prints by post to:

**Ahmed Al Busaidi**  
**P.O.Box: 1444**  
**P.C: 121**  
**A'Seeb – Muscat**  
**OMAN**

**Phone: 00968 99798883**

Please mark the packets: « **PRINTED MATTER** » bearing the following mention:

**PHOTOGRAPHS FOR EXHIBITION ONLY**  
**NO COMMERCIAL VALUE**

It is recommended to inform the organisers of the tracking number of the package.

## ORGANISING COMMITTEE

President:	Ahmed Al Busaidi, HonEFIAP, EFIAP/s, GPU HERMES, GPU CROWN2, Hon.SSS
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Treasurer:	Ali Al Hasani
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## PANEL OF SELECTORS

Ioannis Lykouris, EFIAP/s, MFIAP, HonEFIAP (FIAP DB)	Greece
Fadhel Al Mutaghawi EFIAP	Bahrain
Reha Bilir, AFIAP	Turkey

### Alternates:

Herbert Gmeiner, MFIAP, HonEFIAP (FIAP DB)	Austria
Ahmed Bilal, AFIAP	Egypt
Yousuf Al Masoud, AFIAP	KSA

### Last minute judge:

Ahmed Al Toqi	Oman
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## AWARDS

The following prizes will be awarded:

- FIAP World Cup** for the best national federation
- FIAP Gold medal for the federation which comes second
- FIAP Silver medal for the federation which comes third
- FIAP Bronze medal for the federation which comes fourth
- Six Honourable Mentions for the federations which come 5th to 10th

The authors of the federation coming first receive an Honourable Mention.

**Individual awards:** One FIAP gold medal, two FIAP silver medals and three FIAP bronze medals will be awarded to works of exceptional quality, independently of the subjects chosen by the federations and independently of the federation classification.

Additionally, the organiser will grant the following prizes: one PSO Gold Medal, one PSO Silver Medal, one PSO Bronze Medal and two PSO Diplomas.

## GRAND PRIZE

### “Dr. M. VAN DE WIJER TROPHY”

The federation which obtains the best overall result in the combination of the two sections (prints and digital) of the Colour Biennial Spain 2019 and the Black & White Biennial Oman 2022 wins the **Grand Prize “Dr. M. Van de Wijer Trophy” 2022**.

The winner of the trophy will be invited to the next FIAP Congress to receive the prize (one person per country). FIAP will offer the free participation to the Congress excluding the travel expenses.

## CATALOGUE

Each author participating will receive a printed catalogue (format 21 x 21 cm). The catalogue will reproduce all the prize-winning works and at least one work per participating country.

## CALENDAR

Opening date:	01/04/2022
<b>Closing date for entries:</b>	<b>31/05/2022</b>
Judging (Muscat):	20/07/2022
Results notifications by:	03/08/2022
Opening and Award ceremony (Muscat):	31/10/2022
Catalogues and awards posted by:	30/11/2022

## CONTACT

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