

MAJALAT Video Contest

For young amateurs / film students
(Algeria, Egypt, Lebanon, Libya, Jordan, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia)

Zoom on Southern Neighborhood Civil Society in action on the ground

- **Purpose of the contest:**

Producing a short video (3'), a storytelling report (1) on an original civil society initiative. This is to illustrate the commitment and the concrete action on the ground of one or several actors in civil society (non-governmental organization, association, trade union, social movement), preferably working at the local level, and covering one (or more) of MAJALAT's priority themes:

- Good governance and the rule of law
- Economic development and social dialogue
- Migration
- Security and fight against violence
- Climate and social justice

(according to Human Rights and Gender approaches)

- **Criteria for participation:**

- To be an amateur filmmaker or film student from one of the southern neighborhood countries (Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Lebanon, Libya, Egypt, Palestine, Jordan, Syria)
- To belong to a group in the field of the cinema (Film clubs, universities, master classes, local festivals, web TV etc...) and to be supervised by a teacher, a director, a chief editor, a facilitator who can be a referent.
- To be younger than 30 years old

Calendar:

- Deadline for registration: 30 September at 24.00 GMT (registration form available in Arabic at <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1-w4tswXR6gNiRB46CCafJMSmxMeOpz2j>).
- Period of realization of the video: between October 5 and November 15, 2019.
- Deadline for submission of videos: November 15 at 12 pm GMT (sending the link to a downloadable online video file and word file transcription of the comment/interview text in Arabic and in the subtitled language).

(1): A report looks like a short story, consisting of images and ambient sounds to show a reality in detail. In addition, the descriptive text of 'nailing' must include recent statistics, legislative elements, analyses of measures undertaken or to be undertaken; in short, relevant contextual elements, allowing a good understanding of the local subject and its thematic issues for an audience including the whole of the southern neighborhood.



Selection process for laureates:

- A first jury composed of representatives of the members of the MAJALAT consortium will make a pre-selection based on the relevance of the content related to the MAJALAT themes (18 November)
- A second professional jury composed of directors recognized from the South will choose the 3 winning videos (November 25) according to the criteria of originality, creativity, the particular angle of treatment, the quality of the image, sound and text.

Prize:

- The first three laureates will receive the following prizes:
 - 1st prize: 5000 Euros
 - 2nd prize: 3000 Euros
 - 3rd prize: 2000 Euros
- The 3 videos selected by the jury will be broadcast on the MAJALAT platform and its social networks. They will also be widely distributed by MAJALAT partners and the media. They will also be screened at the Brussels Civil Forum (2-3 Dec.2019) at a prize-giving ceremony.

Rules:

- The competition is open to anyone interested in cinema/TV supervised by a teacher/director/leader/producer and who meets the following criteria:
 - The duration of the video is 3 'maximum
 - The material used (i.e. phone, camcorder etc.) is unimportant but it must be in digital format (.mpeg, .avi, or .mp4) to be exported and to send in format .mp4 via a platform of transfer (WeTransfer.com, Drop box, etc.). The link must be sent to the contest address: video2019@majalat.org
- The organizer is not responsible for any problems reading the videos provided.
 - The video must be in real shooting (report: interviews, situation shots, text)
 - Video must include English or French subtitles
 - The video produced must include a generic opening (i.e. title and production framework: Majalat Competition, director and country) and an end credits including a disclaimer (which will be sent by the organizers) and logos of the donor and partners Majalat with Rights Reserved (Competition Title).
 - The video presented must not have participated in a previous contest, competition or broadcast.



- At registration, the participant must provide a brief description of 4 initiatives led by 4 different CSOs by providing the relevant elements that defined his / her choice among these 4 initiatives (10 lines for each initiative with information on the relevant CSO + 10 lines to justify the choice)
- Advertisements, flagrant or tacit, and clips, are not accepted.
- The video by its text and / or its images must not be in contradiction with the international conventions of human rights. This means it must respect the dignity of individuals, respect children's rights, respect differences of race, identity, gender etc., treat others with equal respect etc.. In particular, videos of a defamatory or abusive nature, of a racist character, inciting or advocating violence or discrimination in all its forms, infringing on personal rights, copyrights, etc., will be rejected.

