**Regulations on the Republican competition among schoolchildren for the best essay**

**"The Role of Intellectual Property in the Era of Artificial Intelligence Development".**

**1. General Provisions**

 1.1 The Republican Essay Competition (hereinafter - the Competition) is held by the RSE "National Institute of Intellectual Property" of the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan (hereinafter - Qazpatent) with the purpose of stimulating creative activity among schoolchildren, popularization and dissemination of knowledge in the field of intellectual property, imparting the basics of patent culture to the younger generation.

 1.2 The Competition shall be held on the whole territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan in one round without preliminary selection of the Competition participants.

 1.3 The Competition may be attended by students of 8 - 11 grades of secondary schools in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

 1.4. The theme of the Competition: "The Role of Intellectual Property in the Era of Artificial Intelligence Development".

**2. Procedure of the Competition**

 2.1 The Competition will be held **from September 16 to October 16, 2024.**

 2.2 The essay should be written in the state language, Russian or English and contain not less than 1000 and not more than 1500 words, 14-point font Times New Roman, line spacing 1.5.

 2.3 The essay should be original, not contain plagiarism, quotations without references to sources, and other violations of ethics and rules of text design.

2.4 The essay should reflect the author's personal opinion on the topic of the Competition, substantiate his/her position, and give examples from the practice of protection and use of intellectual property in the Republic of Kazakhstan and abroad.

 2.5 The essay should be submitted electronically in Word or PDF format, have a title, surname, first name and patronymic of the author, class and school name, contact phone number and e-mail address.

 2.6. Essays are accepted at **press@kazpatent.kz** **until October 16, 2024 inclusive.**

**3. Evaluation and awarding of winners**

 3.1 The evaluation of essays is carried out by an expert committee consisting of representatives of Qazpatent and other interested organizations.

 3.2 The following criteria are taken into account when evaluating the essays: compliance with the Competition theme, structure and logic of presentation, argumentation and justification of opinion, originality and creativity, literacy and style of presentation.

 3.3 **The results of the Competition will be announced** **on November 15, 2024** on the Qazpatent website and in social networks.

 3.4. According to the results of voting, the winners will be awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd place and will be awarded with letters of thanks on behalf of the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and diplomas on behalf of the organizers.

 3.6. Following the results of the Competition, the works of the winners will be published in the scientific and practical journal "Intellectual Property of Kazakhstan". Remuneration for the publication of materials in the journal "Intellectual Property of Kazakhstan" is not provided. In order to comply with the concept of trilingualism of the journal, the Organizer of the Competition has the right to carry out additional translations of materials and their publication in Kazakh, Russian and English languages.

**4. Competition Commission. Procedure for determining the winner.**

 4.1 The Organizer of the Competition forms and approves the composition of the Competition Commission consisting of representatives of the Organizer of the Competition and interested organizations.

 4.2 The evaluation of the Competition participants' works shall be carried out by voting of the jury members.

**5. Criteria for evaluation of the Competition works**

 5.1 The winner of the Competition is determined on the basis of the following criteria of the quality of the entries

- correspondence to the subject of the Competition;

- originality of material presentation;

- originality of the author's position;

- depth of disclosure of the chosen topic.

**6. Issues of the Competition organization**

 6.1 Information about the Competition is sent on behalf of the Organizer to general educational institutions of the Republic. 6.2 Information about the results of the Competition is posted on the official website of the Organizer.

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