



Students are invited to produce their work in English or French unless prior agreement on other languages is obtained from their National Committee. Award winning works must be translated into English or French (see under: How to submit?)

### **Evaluation (brief)**

All work produced will be evaluated by the respective National IYPE Committees, and the five best per nation will then be selected as award-winners. Work produced by students in countries that do not yet have a National IYPE Committee should be sent to the IYPE Secretariat (address, see below) for evaluation by the IYPE's Outreach Programme Committee.

## **Acknowledgement and awards**

### **Trip to Paris**

Dependent on the available funds, the best or all award-winning students, subject to a maximum 350, will be invited to take a four-day (11-14 February) trip to Paris, entirely free of charge, and to participate in the Global Launch Event of the International Year of Planet Earth on 12 and 13 February 2008. Funds will be sought from or through National IYPE Committees, from industry, Foundations and donors. Industrialized nations are invited to support travel and expenses for award-winning students from developing countries.

### **Performance on stage**

Four out of all award-winning students will be selected and invited to perform or display and comment upon their work on stage during the Global Launch Event as an introduction to each of the four debates (see above).

### **Certificate**

All Award-winning students will receive an Official Certificate.

### **Publicity**

The works of all award-winning students will be posted on the website of the International Year of Planet Earth ([www.yearofplanetearth.org](http://www.yearofplanetearth.org)). Also, a publication with a selection of the award-winning works will be published some time after the Global Launch Event and will be sent to all invited students.

## **Geo Song**

A cultural event has been scheduled for the first day of the Global Launch Event (on February 12<sup>th</sup>). This will have at its core a performance of a dedicated "Geo Song". In the interests of maximum audience involvement and to imbue this event with an appropriate international flavour designed to generate a sense of community, all 350 students are invited to participate in some aspect of the presentation of the Geo Song. A rehearsal will take place on the evening prior to the Global Launch Event under the direction of a professional conductor.

### **How to submit?**

1. If a National IYPE Committee is active in your country, please submit your work to that National Committee. Check flags on the [IYPE home page \(www.yearofplanetearth.org\)](http://www.yearofplanetearth.org) for details.
2. If no National IYPE Committee exists in your country, please submit your work to the IYPE Secretariat. Address:

**IYPE Secretariat,  
attn. Åse Minde,  
NO-7491, Trondheim,  
Norway.**

All works should be labelled as follows: full name, date of birth, place of birth, email address (if applicable) and student ID number together with a certification that the student is able to understand English or French. All documents should be written in Microsoft Office Word.

## **Deadline**

Works must be submitted so as to ensure delivery to National IYPE Committees **no later than November 15<sup>th</sup> 2007**.

### **Evaluation procedure and deadlines**

Submitted products will normally be evaluated by the National IYPE Committees, the evaluation being delegated to one or more individuals from within the membership of National Committees. It is recommended that the evaluation process should take place in the period **November 16<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007**.

Critical evaluation criteria include:

- Creativity and originality
- Vision
- Empathy with the topic
- Style of production (design, wording, etc.).

Ultimately on December 7<sup>th</sup> 2007, National IYPE Committees will select the five best works (ranked 1-5, with 1 being the best) and inform the IYPE Secretariat of their decision by email (to [iype.secretariat@ngu.no](mailto:iype.secretariat@ngu.no)). This should immediately be followed by the dispatch by airmail (PRIORITY) of a high quality copy of the selected works with a 5-line motivation per student to the Secretariat.

On December 20<sup>th</sup> 2007, the IYPE Corporation will determine the number of students for whom funds are available to enable them to come to Paris. This information will be conveyed directly by email to the contact persons in the National IYPE Committees who will inform the selected students.

If applicable, the National IYPE Committees will translate all award winning works into English and/or French before January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

Only works in English or French are eligible for submission directly to the IYPE Secretariat. Such works must be dispatched so as to arrive at the Secretariat in Norway **on or before November 15<sup>th</sup> 2007**. A team of Officers of the IYPE Outreach Programme Committee will then select the best entries (a maximum of 5 per country). Depending on the available funds, a number of these award-winning students will be chosen to attend the Global Launch Event. The students selected will be informed by the Secretariat (by email) before December 20<sup>th</sup> 2007.

From all award winning works (both those submitted to the National IYPE Committees and those sent to the IYPE Secretariat) the Outreach Programme Committee will select the four most appropriate works for presentation on stage on January 20<sup>th</sup> 2008. The four students will be informed of their selection no later than January 30<sup>th</sup> 2008.