PRIZE QUESTION

“FACT OR FICTION: HOW TO DEAL WITH SCIENTIFIC SCEPTICISM”

Terms and conditions of entry

1. GENERAL

1.1 By entering the competition you hereby accept these terms and conditions.
1.2 There is no charge for entering the competition.
1.3 The competition is open to individuals and groups.
1.4 Entries must be submitted by 15 September 2022, 01:00 hrs (CET). In case of a submission by post, the date of the postmark will apply.
1.5 By entering the prize competition you agree and acknowledge that the ÖAW (Austrian Academy of Sciences) is permitted to receive and use your personal data. All participants are required to provide their name, date of birth, email address, telephone number, and – if applicable – institutional affiliation upon submitting their entry. Your address and telephone number will not be passed on to third parties without your explicit permission and shall be used exclusively for the purpose of the prize competition. The ÖAW may subsequently publish the names of the winners in any form and in all media. Photos of the winner(s), which are taken in connection with the prize ceremony or sent to the ÖAW, may also be published.

2. SUBMISSIONS (FORMATS, FORMALITIES)

2.1 Your entry must be submitted by email to preisfrage@oeaw.ac.at or by post to the Actuarial Office of the Austrian Academy of Sciences, Dr. Ignaz-Seipel-Platz 2, 1010 Vienna.
2.2 The entries must be submitted in writing in the form of an essay and they are not subject to a restriction in the number of words or characters.
2.3 Entries must be submitted in German, English, French, Italian, Russian or Spanish. Contributions in other languages will not be considered.

3. SELECTION PROCESS AND PRIZE CEREMONY

3.1 Entries will be judged between October 2022 and January 2023 by an interdisciplinary prize commission, which consists of members of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and the Executive Committee.
3.2 The winner(s) will be notified by February 2023.
3.3 The decision of the prize commission is final.
3.4 The following requirements in connection with the submission must be met; if they are not met the ÖAW reserves the right to remove contributions from the competition:
   a) You are the sole owner(s), right holder(s) and author(s) of the contribution submitted.
   b) You have the right to make your entry available to the competition.
   c) Your contribution has not been submitted to any other competition and has not already won awards in any other contexts.
d) You agree to participate in related publicity and to the use of your name and the contribution submitted for the purposes of publicity without compensation.
e) Your contribution does not infringe upon the copyrights, trademarks, contract rights, or any other intellectual and industrial property rights of any third person (natural or legal persons), or violate any person’s rights of privacy or publicity.

4. AUTHORSHIP

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