

# International Map Year



**International Cartographic Association**  
Commission on Cartography and Children



## **BARBARA PETCHENIK INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN MAP DESIGN COMPETITION 2017**

### **INVITATION**

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the International Cartographic Association and the Commission on Cartography and Children, it is our pleasure to invite you to participate in the next Barbara Petchenik Map Competition 2017, an event created with the aim of promoting the creative representation of the world in graphic form by children.

In 2017, this biannual international award has a special connotation, because it is organized in the context of activities programmed within the *International Map Year*. For this reason, the theme for the 2017 competition equals the motto of the International Map Year: “**We love maps**”. Entries can be nominated in four age groups: under 6 years, 6-8 years, 9-12 years and 13-15 years. The deadline for the participation in the contest is **1 May 2017**.

Winner map drawings selected at national level will be displayed at the International Exhibition to be held during the 28<sup>th</sup> International Cartographic Conference in Washington DC, USA from 2 to 7 July 2017. An international jury will select the best entries from each age group. Additionally there will be prize issued based on a public vote by the conference participants. New will be the Creativity Award issued by the ICA Commission on Art and Cartography.

For more detailed information about the competition, please visit the ICA website of the International Cartographic Association (<http://icaci.org/petchenik/>), the Commission on Cartography and Children (<http://lazarus.elte.hu/cc/cc.htm>) or their Facebook profile (<https://www.facebook.com/icaccc/>).

If you are interested in using children maps in your context, e.g. with publications, we would like to encourage you to contact us. The map drawings made by children in the previous competitions can be found in the “Archive of the Barbara Petchenik Children's Map Competition” website, maintained by the Maps, Data and Government Information Centre at Carleton University Library (<https://childrensmaps.library.carleton.ca/>).

ICA assumes we can count on the participation of your country in the competition 2017.

Yours sincerely,

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