

**THE POLISH PRIZE OF SÉRGIO VIEIRA DE MELLO**  
**United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (2002-2003)**



honorary patronage:  
Ambassador of the Federative Republic of Brazil to Poland  
Ambassador of the Kingdom of Sweden to Poland  
United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

**RULES OF THE PRIZE - 16. Edition**

**General conditions**

1. The Polish Prize of Sérgio Vieira de Mello, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (2002-2003), hereinafter also referred to as the “Prize” is awarded annually in two categories: a person and a nongovernmental organization.
2. The Prize is awarded for activities enhancing the peaceful coexistence and cooperation of communities, religions and cultures.
3. The Prize is awarded after an examination of submitted applications by the Panel of Judges, functioning according to the regulations.
4. Candidates for the Prize may come from Poland and abroad.
5. Candidates for the Prize may be proposed by individuals, institutions, diplomatic and consular corps and nongovernmental organizations from Poland and abroad.
6. It is not possible to award at the same time a nongovernmental organization and a person related to that organization.
7. The Laureates receive a statuette of Sérgio Vieira de Mello and a commemorative diploma. The Prize may also have a financial dimension.
8. The Panel of Judges may award a special Honorary Prize for outstanding achievements in human rights. Candidates to the Honorary Prize are proposed by the members of the Panel.

**Application process**

1. The applicant may propose more than one Candidate for the Prize, submitting a separate Nomination Form for each Candidate.
2. The applicant chooses the appropriate category for their Candidate, fills in the Nomination Form and submits it online via [www.villa.org.pl](http://www.villa.org.pl) by 30th June 2019.
3. Nomination Forms meeting the conditions set up above will be considered by the Panel of Judges.

## **Information about the contest and awarding the Prize**

1. Nomination Form and Regulations are available at: [www.villa.org.pl](http://www.villa.org.pl)
2. For more information, please contact the project coordinator: Grzegorz Morek, ph. +48124253638, e-mail: [grzegorz@villa.org.pl](mailto:grzegorz@villa.org.pl)
3. The ceremony of awarding the 16th edition of Prize will take place on 24 October 2019 at Villa Decius in Kraków, Poland.

## **Other regulations**

1. The applicant agrees to data processing by the Organizer.
2. The applicant takes over from the Organizer the responsibility by way of claims of third parties, that might occur due to the nomination of a Candidate.
3. The submitted Nomination Forms and documents will not be returned.
4. The Panel of Judges might address the Applicant and third parties linked to the Candidate's activities for additional information and materials.
5. Nomination Forms not meeting the requirements of the Regulations will be rejected.
6. The submission of Nomination Forms means an acceptance of the conditions stipulated in the Regulations.

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