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Press Release

The European Union Delegation to Egypt announces the winners of its 7th Annual Photography Competition titled:

"Children of Egypt"

The European Union Delegation to Egypt is pleased to announce the winners of its 7th annual Photography Competition for amateur photographers under the theme of "Children of Egypt". More than 200 photos were submitted in the competition for more than 70 contestants. The first three winners will be awarded Canon EOS 600D and EOS1200D cameras. The first 12 chosen photos will be featured in the Delegations' desk calendar while the first 30 photos will be publicly exhibited in a public venue or art gallery. The award ceremony is scheduled to take place on 26 January 2015 followed by a two-week exhibition in Sawy Cultural Wheel.

The first winner of this year's competition is: Ms. Ayda El Sayed, graphic designer from Alexandria for her photo: "throw in the bin". The second winner is Mr. Rami Hekal, IT system administrator from Cairo for his photo: "Pottery Boy". The third winner is Mostafa Darwish, social worker from Cairo for his photo:" Music Girl".

The selected jury for this year were: 1- Ms. Yamine Helal, Founder and Executive Director of Educate Me; an Egyptian non-profit foundation founded in 2010 and aspires to redefine education in Egypt. 2- Ms. Raphaelle Ayach, a prominent international documentary film director. 3- Mr. Luis Pedro Costa Gomes, a Portuguese photographer based in Cairo since 2008 and is doing commercial and news photography.

The European Union has around 240 million Euro of programmes operating in Egypt focusing on primary education, access to education, child protection and children's rights.

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