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The European Union Delegation to Egypt launches its 8th annual Photography Competition for amateur photographers under the theme “Egypt is the Gift of the Nile”

The European Union Delegation to Egypt is launching today its 8th Photography Competition for amateur photographers under the theme "**Egypt is the Gift of the Nile**". This theme stems from the importance of the Nile River as it is considered the life of Egypt.

Contestants are encouraged to visualize the significance of the Nile River as it runs from the north to the south of Egypt bringing life to humanity as it became a historic symbol of stability. Egyptian civilization has depended on the Nile since ancient times. The Nile River is also an important waterway for trade and tourism. The famous Greek historian Herodotus described the Nile by saying: Egypt is the Gift of the Nile

This year's theme is a rich one which would motivate all participants to explore the different aspects of the Nile to reflect the importance of this vital lifeline for all Egyptians and how it affects their lives. Thus, this year's theme is quite interesting and challenging making the competition more rewarding. As always, an independent committee of experts and professionals will evaluate to choose the winners.

The competition takes place for the eighth consecutive year as it started in 2008 with a total of one thousand contestants so far. Last year, more than 200 photos were submitted by 75 contestants from all over Egypt. The European Union Delegation to Egypt offers valuable prizes for the first three winners and the Delegation's 2016 desk calendar will feature the first 12 winning photos.. An award ceremony and exhibition will also be held for the first 30 winners.

The deadline for submission of entries is 16th October 2015. Full details on rules and regulations of the competition can be found on the Delegation's website.

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