Photo competition: Send us your best water pictures

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Water is everywhere — from the tiniest cells in our body to vast oceans — and people, animals and plants all depend on water. The EEA's <u>WaterPIX photo</u> <u>competition</u> aims to bring attention to water as a vital resource for all life on Earth.

You can depict water, its uses and what it means for life in many different ways. Just use your creativity and send us your best photographs by 15 August 2018. You can submit photographs in three competition categories:

1. Water and us

We drink it, bathe in it and cook with it. Floods or droughts can affect entire cities. What does water mean to you?

2. Water and nature

Rivers, lakes and seas do not only support life on land but they are also home to many animals and plants. Oceans play a key role in ensuring a stable climate for the planet. Can you capture the visible and the invisible benefits that water provides? Is clean water under threat?

3. Water and the economy

Water is essential for producing food, electricity and many products. Rivers and seas are major trade routes, connecting countries and cultures. What is the importance of water for our economies? How does the economy affect water in return?

The winners in each competition category will receive a cash prize of 1000 Euros. The EEA will also award a special Youth Prize for the best photo submitted by a young person between 18 and 24 years and a Public Choice Award is selected among all finalist photos through an open online vote.

The competition is open to citizens of the <u>EEA member countries and West Balkan cooperating countries</u>. All participants must be 18 or older. Read more about the competition rules and how to participate on the <u>WaterPIX competition page</u>.

The EEA will announce all winners in the end of October 2018.