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THE 8th WRITING CONTEST OF SUN Silk-Road Universities Network 2025-2026

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PURPOSE

To facilitate linguistic diversity along the Silk Roads.

THEME

Poem_ Voices of the Silk Roads: Bridging Cultures

Essay_ What is the most critical challenge threatening the sustainability of modern civilization? Why do you consider this specific challenge to be the most significant? As university students, what roles should we play and what actions must we take to address this issue?

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September 13, 2026 (by 23:59 GST) **DEADLINE EXTENDED!**

RESULT ANNOUNCEMENT

September 21, 2026 **RESULT DATE ADVANCED!**

ELIGIBILITY

Students of member universities of the Silk-Road Universities Network (SUN)

* Students of non-member universities are eligible for application, but no additional award other than certificate will be given.

HOW TO APPLY

Fill out the application form available on the website of SUN (www.sun-silkroadia.org).

PRIZE & PRIVILEGE

The winning entries will be translated into many languages around the world and published as e-books. They will be uploaded on the SUN official website for a year.

Grand Prize: 1 awardee for poems and 1 for essays

Certificate and invitation to the 11th General Assembly of SUN and the award ceremony to be held at Abderrahmane Mira University of Béjaïa, Ferhat Abbas University of Sétif 1, University of Aboubekr Belkaid Tlemcen, and University of Sciences and Technology Houari Boumediene, Algeria with full coverage of the cost for round-trip flights, accommodations (hotel and meals), and the official culture tour by the organizer.

Award of Excellence: 2 awardees for poems and 2 for essays.

The same as for the Grand Prize mentioned above except that the recipients of this award are supposed to take care of the cost for flight by themselves.

Award of Selection: 7 awardees for poems and 7 for essays.

The same as for the Award of excellence mentioned above except that the organizer will provide only the official culture tour and meals for the recipients of this award.

* Privileges for the awardees and the schedules may change depending on the circumstances.