Proposal for the 4th "Chinese Bridge" Foreign Primary School Students Chinese Show in Belgium

The official launch of the 4th "Chinese Bridge" foreign Primary School Students Chinese Show in Belgium has commenced. Below are the details of the competition proposal.

1. Competition Background:

The "Chinese Bridge" Foreign Primary School Students Chinese Show, hosted by the Chinese Language Education Cooperation Center under the Ministry of Education (referred to as the Center), is an annual event tailored for young learners of Chinese language abroad. Since its inauguration in 2021, the event has garnered widespread participation, attracting over 10,000 primary school students from more than 50 countries worldwide. Notably, the competition has seen the ascent of over 180 exceptional participants to the global finals, marking its growing international prominence.

2. Purpose of the Competition:

The competition aims to provide a platform for primary school students in Belgium learning Chinese to showcase their Chinese language proficiency. It seeks to ignite their interest in learning Chinese and serve as a motivational force, thereby laying a solid foundation for sustained Chinese language learning.

3. 2024 Competition Theme

Chinese, Joy&Fun!

4. Host and Organisers

Host: Education Section, Embassy of China in Belgium Organisers: China Cultural Center in Brussels / Confucius Institute Howest

5. Eligibility Criteria

Participants must be aged between 6 and 12, hold Belgian nationality, have grown up abroad, and both the participant and their parents must have a native language other than Chinese. Contestants who participated in the previous global finals are generally not eligible to compete in consecutive editions.

6. Competition Content

(1) Theme Speech

Participants are required to prepare a short speech of approximately one minute on the theme of "Joyful Chinese." The content may include self-introduction, reasons for learning Chinese, and any interesting experiences during the learning process.

(2) Talent Showcase

Participants may choose one talent performance from various options including Chinese nursery rhymes, recitation of children's songs, tongue twisters, martial arts, dance, calligraphy, painting, etc.

7. Detailed Arrangements

(1) Registration and Selection

Schools are responsible for organizing the selection and recommendation of participants and appointing a Chinese language teacher as a guide. Please instruct the teachers to send the registration form of the participants (see attachment) along with their personal photos to the registration email before May 17, 2024. Additionally, each participant should prepare background music for their talent performance and upload the audio file to the registration email before May 17, 2024. The format of the audio file should be "Name + Background Music Title.

Registration Email: hanyugiaobilishi@163.com

Registration Deadline: May 17, 2024.

(2) Competition Schedule:

May 26, 2024, from 14:00 to 18:00 (Participants check in at 12:00 for rehearsal, and judges check in at 13:00 to convene the judges' meeting: to review the participants' registration materials, familiarize themselves with the competition procedures, and scoring rules, among other relevant matters).

(3) Competition Venue:

China Cultural Center in Brussels (Rue Philippe Le Bon 2, 1000 Brussels).

(4) Competition Procedure

Participants will proceed according to the order of appearance, delivering a personal theme speech (approximately 1 minute each) followed by a talent performance (approximately 3 minutes each).

8. Scoring Method

The organizing committee will invite domestic and foreign experts to form the judging panel. They will evaluate the participants' theme speech and talent performance separately, with each component accounting for 60% and 40% of the total score, respectively.

9. Competition Awards and Rewards

For the 4th "Chinese Bridge" Foreign Primary School Students Chinese Show, Belgium Finals, there will be one first prize and several honorable mentions awarded. Each participating elementary school student will receive a prize or souvenir. The first prize winner will be recommended to participate in the global finals. Contestants who advance to the finals may be authorized to bring one parent as a guardian to accompany them to China.

10. Contact Information of the Organizing Committee:

The organizing committee is composed of relevant personnel from the Education Office of the Chinese Embassy in Belgium and the organizing institution, responsible for the design of the event plan, overall guidance, and organizational implementation.

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Required Registration Materials: Participant Registration Form (see attachment), 1-2 personal photos of the participant (resolution not less than 300 x 400 pixels, at least 1 solo photo).

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