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Terms & Conditions

§ 1 – Eligibility requirements

- (1) Participants must be 16 to 27 years old. Relevant point in time for this purpose is the 13th October 2021 (submission deadline).
- (2) Eligible are natural persons only, no collaborative-projects or group-works are allowed.

§ 2 - Submissions

- (1) The submitting person must be the author of the submitted Essay.
- (2) Participants are only allowed to submit one Essay. Submissions are final and may not be changed subsequently.
- (3) Submissions are possible from 1st September 2021, 00:00 (MESZ/CET) until 13th October 2021, 24:00 (MESZ/CET) only.
- (4) Submissions are to be made digitally per E-Mail to essays@junge-transatlantiker.de only.
- (5) The essay must be attached to the E-Mail as a pdf-document, which does not exceed a size of 6mb. Free tools to compress pdf-files may be found on the internet, e.g. [here](#).
- (6) It is mandatory to attach the completed and signed Cover Sheet to the essay, which can be downloaded [here](#). Essay and Cover Sheet must be merged to one single document. Free tools to merge pdf-files may be found on the internet, e.g. [here](#).
- (7) Please, refrain from adding further information in support of your submission to your E-Mail. The submitted essay will be the only document to be considered in the assessment process.
- (8) There will be no confirmation of your submission. However, you may opt-in for an automated read-receipt within your E-Mail provider, which may not serve as evidence for a successful submission.

§ 3 - Form

- (1) The Essay must be written in English-language.
- (2) The Essay must not exceed the word-limit of 1400 words (Title and Footnotes are excluded).
- (3) The Essay must be formatted in typeface “Arial”, font-size 11, line-spacing 1,15 and in full justification.
- (4) The Essay must be prefaced with a title.
- (5) It is optional to add footnotes.
- (6) Used quotes and citations must be marked as such.
- (7) The Essay itself must not contain any personal information of the writer.

§ 4 - Content

- (1) The Essay must discuss one of the following two topics:
 - a. *Better together: Why Transatlantic Cooperation is the key to addressing the Global Climate Crisis*
 - b. *Rethinking Cyber Strategies: How Transatlantic Cooperation can be utilized to combat Cyber Threats*

- (2) The Essay's content must deal with the issue the transatlantic relations as a key-element.

§ 5 - Plagiarism

- (1) There will be precautions to identify any form of plagiarism.
- (2) Identification of Plagiarism will lead to an exclusion of the author from this competition as well as to an exclusion of the author from future competitions of the Young Transatlantic Initiative (e.V.). Personal data may in this case only and for this purpose be saved beyond the end of this competition. Personal data is not shared with third parties.

§ 5 - Assessment/Modus

- (1) A submission is valid and leads to an assessment only if it complies all aforesaid requirements.
- (2) The assessment of validly submitted Essays will be undertaken by a team of the Young Transatlantik initiative e.V. and an expert-panel. Subsequent changes in the composition of the expert-panel are possible.
- (3) The assessment will take place until 21st Nov. 2021.
- (4) Changes in the Modus are reserved.

§ 6 - Publication

- (1) Upon submission, the participant agrees to a potential publication of the Essay on the official Blog of the German Embassy Washington D.C. (<https://germanyinusa.com/>), as well as to a potential publication of the Essay on the Blog of the Young Transatlantic Initiative e.V. (<https://transatlantic-takes.com/>) by the Young Transatlantic Initiative e.V. free of any charges.
- (2) Upon submission, the participant agrees that the Essay may be formatted and typos may be corrected prior to publication without consultation of the participant.
- (3) Upon submission the participant agrees to a potential publication of his/her name on the social media accounts of the Young Transatlantic Initiative e.V. free of any charges.

§ 7 – Prices and Notification of the winners

- (1) The following prizes are part of the competition:
 - a. First Prize: Publication of the Essay on the official Blog of the German Embassy Washington D.C. (<https://germanyinusa.com/>), Publication of the Essay on the Blog of the Young Transatlantic Initiative e.V. (<https://transatlantic-takes.com/>), Prize-money: 600€, One year free membership of the Young Transatlantic Initiative (e.V.).
 - b. Second Prize: Publication of the Essay on the Blog of the Young Transatlantic Initiative (<https://transatlantic-takes.com/>), Prize-money: 300€, One year free membership of the Young Transatlantic Initiative (e.V.).
 - c. Third Prize: Publication of the Essay on the Blog of the Young Transatlantic Initiative (<https://transatlantic-takes.com/>), Prize-money: 600€, One year free membership of the Young Transatlantic Initiative (e.V.).
- (2) All winners will be notified per E-Mail.
- (3) International Prize- distribution may underlie currency-volatilities.

§ 8 – Data-protection und Application

- (1) Privacy information in compliance with Art. 13 DSGVO: Personal-data will be gathered and saved by the Young Transatlantic Initiative (e.V.) for the purpose and the time of this competition. By submission the participant agrees hereto. Please also note the

remarks on the Cover Sheet. A withdrawal can be made at any time per E-Mail to essays@junge-transatlantiker.de. A withdrawal leadt to an exclusion from the competition. Personal-data gathered and saved will be deleted by the end of the competition, except for cases of plagiarism (see above).

(2) German law is applicable.

(3) Any recourse to courts of law is excluded.

§ 9 – Information about the competition-organiser

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