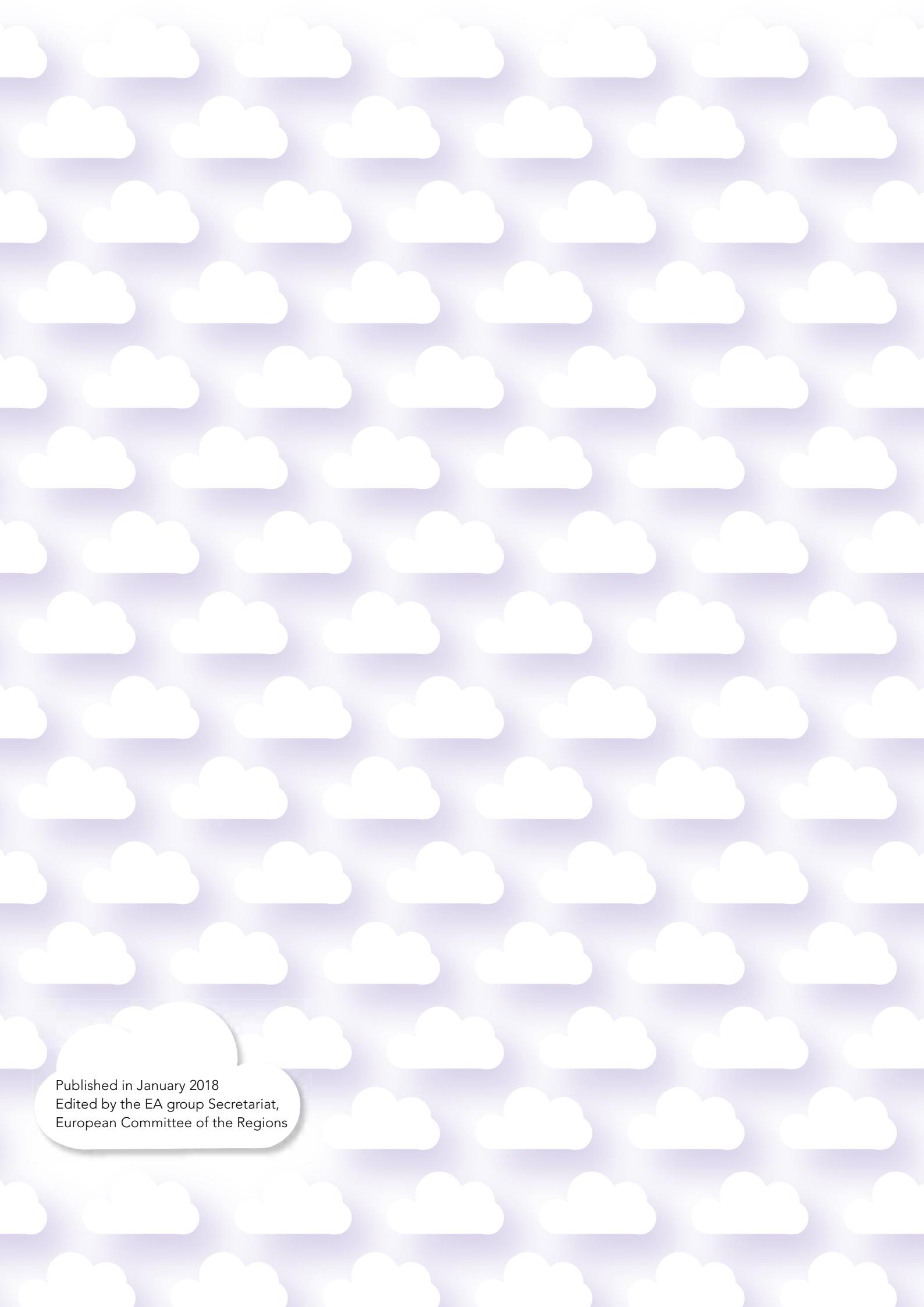


2017

My Region, My Dreams





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'My Region, My Dreams'

Depicted in art by primary school children from 6-12 years of age.

The focus of the 2017 EA / CoR Primary schools art competition was 'My Region, My Dreams' and clearly our young artists used a lot of imagination and creativity in creating such wonderful artwork. It was a great pleasure to see the exhibition of the winning paintings from this competition held in the European Committee of the Regions. The aim of this competition is to introduce the concept of the European Union to children through the medium of education and art.

Within the theme of 'My Region, My Dreams' there are some ideas common to many of the children, for example concern and care for the quality of the environment and places of natural beauty.

Imagination abounds, there is no limit to the possibilities such as underwater living, unicorns and even flying cats. On the other hand, some children are so happily content with their homes and lives that they would rather keep them just as they are.

Europe of the future can surely look forward to these positive visions as the young children of today grow up in the years to come.



Mr Karl Vanlouwe

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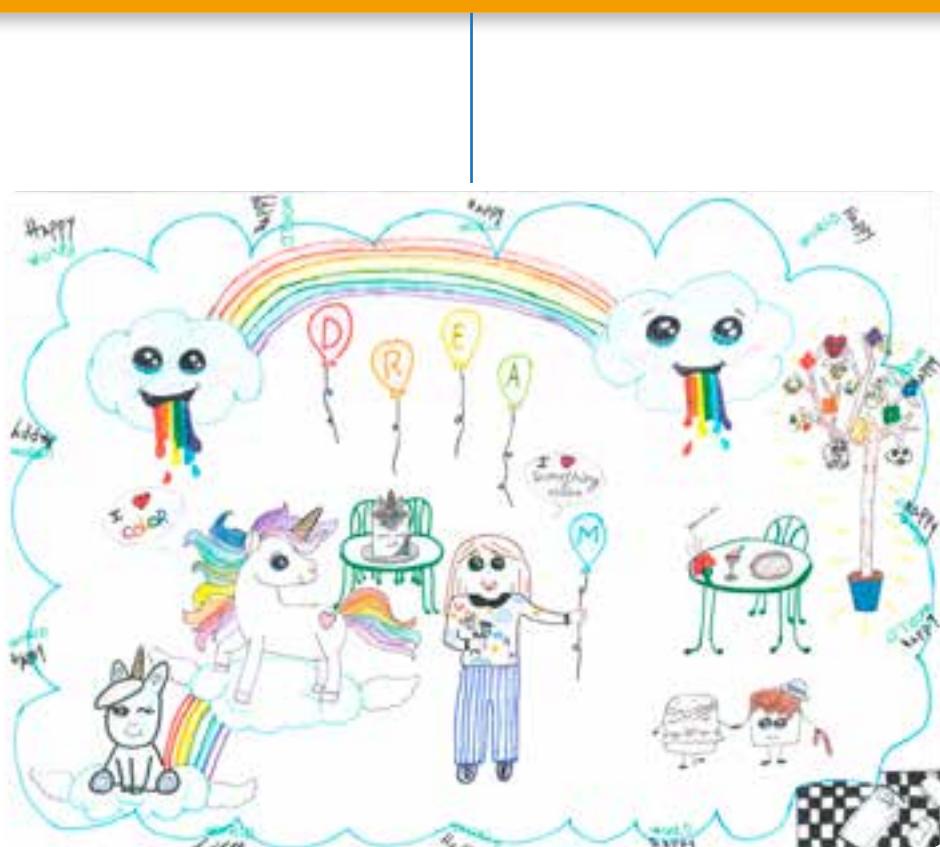
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GO! Bs De Puzzel Mechelen

Mechelen, Flanders, **Belgium**



1st Prize

Clariana Hana (11 years)

My dream world

My dream is:

Full of colour, which makes me happy.

Happy is a tree full of feelings.

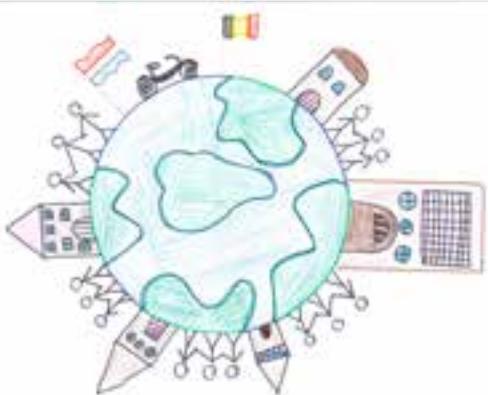
In various colours.

There is a unicorn, creating a trail of rainbows.

The clouds have come to life and the marshmallows are so cheerful.

My favourite feeling is joy, because it's happy.





2nd Prize

Christenvie Afonso (11 years)

I decided to draw people between houses, to show that we all belong together.

We are one big family, and all people belong together.

The houses mean that we can be together without shouting at each other.

Then we are true friends, without hatred and racism.

The flags on the globe stand for who I am. I live in Belgium, but I was born in the Netherlands.

The moped represents the fact that nowadays you can travel everywhere and can always reach everyone.



3rd Prize

Meryam Reddahi (11 years)

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My dream world

In my world you can just eat everything you see, instead of buying things.

So poor people, for example, don't need to buy anything.

And they can just eat what they want.

That's why I made a painting with chocolate.

You can even eat the grass and the trees, and the volcano as well.



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Regina Caeli lagere school (basic school)

Dilbeek, Flanders, **Belgium**



1st Prize

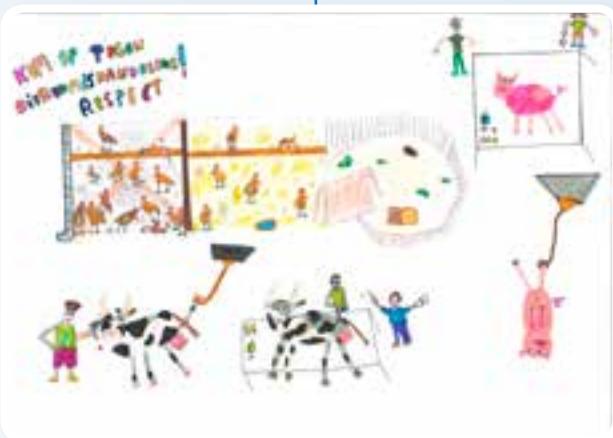
Meline Sarkisian (11 years)

My dream is for everyone in Europe to live together like one big family. For it not to matter whether you are white or brown, or whether you have black, blonde or red hair, or whether you are a girl or a boy, or whether you believe in Jesus or in another God.

Everyone is unique!

And that's what makes living together fun.





2nd Prize

Céres Santema (11 years)

My dream is for there to be no more animal abuse! Animals can still be slaughtered, but not like they are now. They are stressed and frightened. They have no space, and they have a difficult death. So animals are not being well cared for!



3rd Prize

Lies De Boeck (11 years)

The environment is getting worse. I would therefore like to see more people cycling and using public transport. That means fewer cars and more car-free zones. Hopefully the climate will then improve. Yours sincerely

Kose Gümnaasium

Kose, Estonia



1st Prize

Eliise Victoria Kuuseoja (8 years)

I have a dream that all the nations would be friends and would hug each other.





2nd Prize

Katarina Möls (9 years)

I wish that people would still live in the countryside in Estonia and that they would not move to big cities. I wish that children would grow up on their farms. I love living in the countryside.



3rd Prize

Olari Julius Valdina (8 years)

My dream is that Estonian manors would be OK and be a joy to our country. I would also like to build some manors from LEGO blocks.



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C.B.S. Primary School

Nenagh, Ireland



1st Prize

Daniel O'Brien (11 years)

My dream is to be an architect and to live in a region such as Lahinch Cliff. I chose Lahinch Cliff for this picture because I thought it was a spectacular and simply beautiful scene.





2nd Prize

Oren McCormack (12 years)

My dream is to be a Geologist and to live in Nenagh Castle, while also taking samples and studying. It was most spectacular and amazing. There was so many beautiful things in the picture, so that's why I did it.



3rd Prize

Victor Mereacre (11 years)

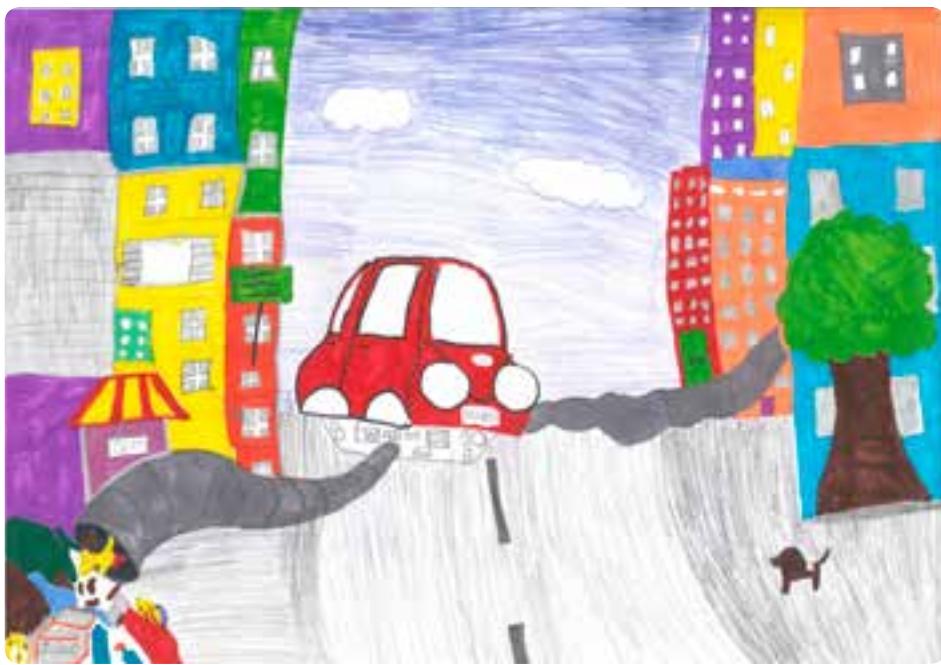
My dream is to go to the Islands around Kerry in a helicopter and look at the beautiful scenery there.



Coiste Eorpach
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Our Lady of Lourdes School

Cork, Ireland

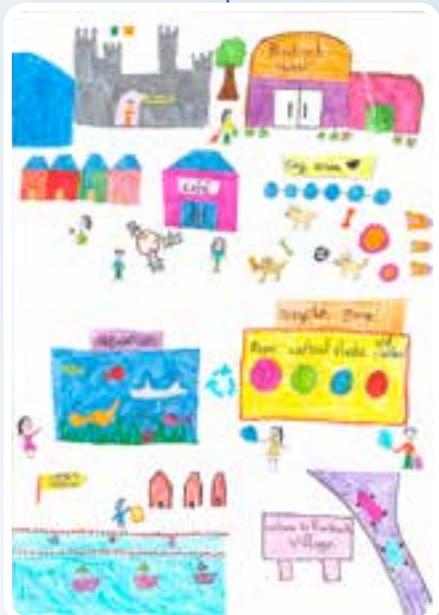


1st Prize

Emma O'Connell (10 years)

My picture is a car that has to be charged it doesn't need petrol. When it see rubbish it sucks it up and it gives carbon dioxide to the trees to keep my region clean.





2nd Prize

Anna Murray (10 years)

My picture is my dream for Blackrock Village. It shows how colourful Blackrock can be. It has everything even a recycling Zone which is good for the environment and a big tourist attraction!



3rd Prize

Roísín Bradley (10 years)

My message is basically, love your neighbour, no smoking at all. Cigarettes put a coating of tar on your lungs, everyone else is breathing it in and there is rat poison in cigarettes. Pick up your dogs' dirt if they go while walking. MORE CATS! Help the poor, plant more trees and flowers to keep the air fresh. There is no point in eating healthily if you don't eat a variety of foods. More mindfulness and music. Exercise more. Play your part in green schools. I love my region and I don't want it to be destroyed.



Coiste Eorpach
na Réigiún

Hunt National School, Mohill

County Leitrim, **Ireland**



1st Prize

Annabelle Frankham (10 years)

My picture is about world sense, kindness and plenty ruling over all. More giving and much less taking. Mine is a world where cruelty and evil do not exist. Nature is thriving and people are thriving. Everyone is equal. If you are a female or a male, black or white, EVEN a human or an animal. Everyone shares. No-one has more than everyone else. Everyone is HAPPY





2nd Prize

Katie – May Greenan (8 years)



3rd Prize

Elliott Whiteman (11 years)

I'm hoping that in the future people will be able to live underwater. They would live in spacious houses under the sea. They will have a special subcars for travelling around. The water would be warm and bright. Sea weed would grow in gardens. They will swim in the warm water and communicate with the fish. It would be a quiet peaceful place where everyone has fun.

In my dreams, my region in the future will be an eco-friendly place. We will all use renewable energy. There will be no more fossil fuels burnt. Our home will use geothermal heating. Cars will be powered by static electricity from the travel lanes. Travel will be faster. We will live in smart houses. We will use self-driving cars. There will be less waste and much less pollution.



Coiste Eorpach
na Réigiún

School Naujamiestis gymansium

Naujamiestis, Lithuania



1st Prize

Méta Dagytė (8 years)

I am very happy living in Lithuania. I love travelling in my native country. There are many interesting places to visit. I love my mum, dad, sister and grandmother.





2nd Prize

Gabrielė Petrošiūtė (9 years)

This is my homestead. There live 3 dogs and 2 cats. I love to live here. Sometimes foxes and wolves visit us. Foxes kill many hens. My grandmother lives together with us. I love her and my family.



3rd Prize

Pranas Vilimavičius (7 years)

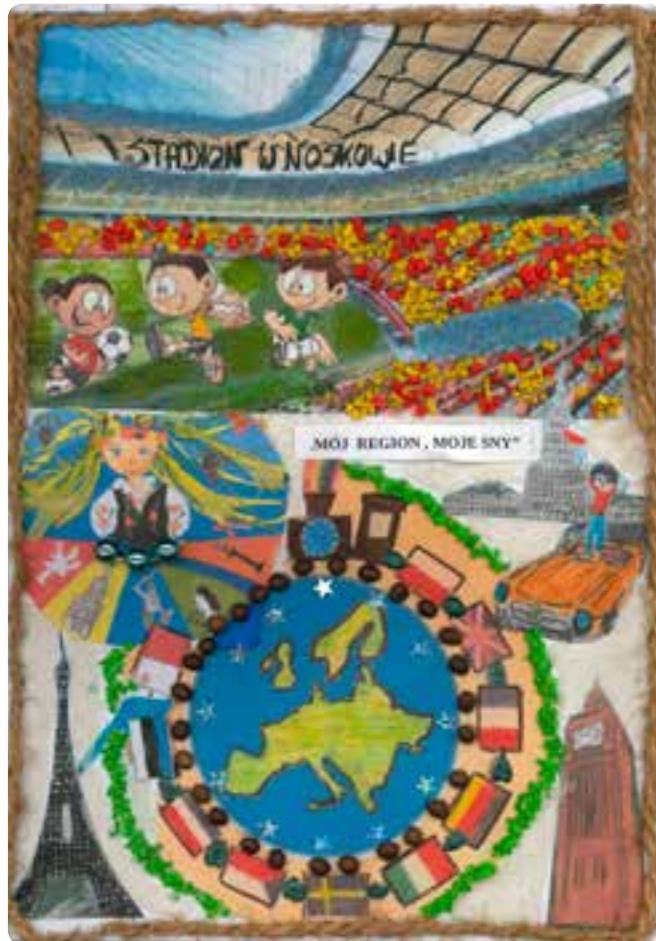
This is my native town Naujamiestis. There will live dwarfs and flying cats in the future. Also we will have a magic fountain which will keep our wishes. This is how my native town will be shown in Europe.



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Szkoła Podstawowa imienia Janusza Korczaka

Nosków, Poland

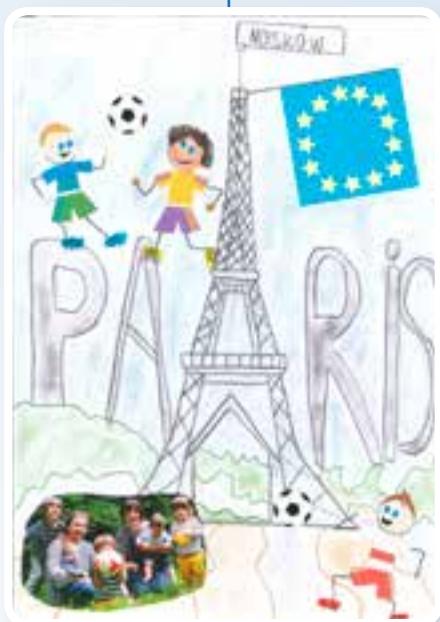


1st Prize

Piotr Sędziak
(11 years)

A great deal could be written about the European Union using statistics and lofty words and ideas. I am a pupil in the fifth grade (klasa piąta) and I have big dreams – dreams that can come true thanks to EU funding that Poland receives. I know that being active is very important for our development. My classmates and I love playing football and we would like Nosków to become a “sports superpower”. I often dream that I am on a manicured pitch, in the glare of the floodlights that are lighting up our huge new stadium. I know that dreams often come true, which is why I am full of hope when I look to the future. I hope that my peers and I will successfully acquire funding from the European Union.





2nd Prize

Paweł Skórski (11 years)

I am a pupil in the fifth grade at Janusz Korczak primary school in Nosków. My hobby is football – I play in a sports club, and we travel to play matches in different places. One of my dreams is to take part in an exchange of children's football teams from other EU countries. For example, my team could fly to France to play matches. In France, I would like to see the Eiffel Tower and visit other landmarks in Paris, and try French cuisine, like the snails that are raised in my village.



3rd Prize

Wiktoria Soboń, (9 years)

My name is Wiktoria. I live in Dąbrowa, which is in a very picturesque area. My town is next to a lake called zalew Roszków. My greatest wish is for a beach with palm trees and an attractive playground on the lakeshore, and also for people to be able to go out on the water in boats. I want all the children from my area to be able to relax in pleasant surroundings after a long week at school. Somewhere like this, with a lovely beach and palm trees, where everyone can smile at each other, will help us to respect and accept each other.



Europejski Komitet
Regionów

Szkoła Podstawowa nr 17

Gdynia, Poland



1st Prize

Marcelina Sobczak
(11 years)

This is a special city for me. I was born here. I have a wonderful family, friends and a fantastic school. There are a lot of interesting places where we can relax and spend a fantastic time with classmates. I love the Cliff in Orłowo. I admire a beautiful landscape.

My second favourite place is the Seafront. There it is a little bit noisy, but I love spending time with my family members in this place.

Gdynia is an amazing part of Poland. Everyone will find happiness in here. I wish all Europeans could visit amazing Gdynia.





2nd Prize

Justyna Osowska (11 years)

People work in different countries. A lot of Poles work abroad. They are mums and dads for some children. It is not good for their families. I have friends in my class and they talk with their dads' by Skype. They can't kiss them for "Goodnight".

My dream is that they have free tickets to go back home for Christmas, Easter, birthdays and other holidays. They can be together with their families. They can be happy.



3rd Prize

Patrycja Myszka (11 years)

My city is big, but I live in a middle area. In my neighbourhood there is a park and I like to walk there with friends. There are two playgrounds in the park. There's also a skate park where we go on a scooter. My house is also located next to the park. On holiday I like to walk to the beach in Gdynia.

My school is near my house. I like to go to school. Our school is almost in the forest. I like it very much.

Come and visit Gdynia and see its beauty.



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Szkoła Podstawowa nr 2 im. Kornela Makuszyńskiego

w Polkowicach, **Poland**



1st Prize

Karolina Wrona
(9 years)

I like my school very much. I dream of having a large tree beside my school, and in the tree I would like to have built small playhouses. We could feel like on a desert island, we could play and have fun there. We would have a very good time.

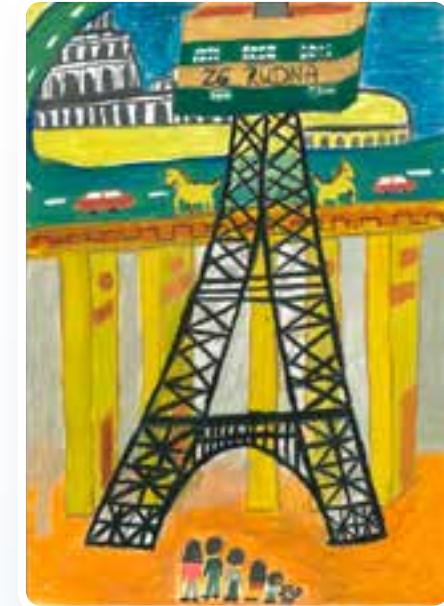




2nd Prize

Alicja Fatyga (10 years)

My dream is to create a Music School instead of another store in Polkowice. I think that in Polkowice we have a lot of people with musical talent. To develop their talent they have to, unfortunately, go to other cities. It would be a great idea to change it.



3rd Prize

Aurelia Pytlak (10 years)

This drawing shows my town in the European context. In my region I would like to have well-known buildings from different European countries. I know it is impossible, but in my dreams everything can be possible, so in my drawing some buildings took the shape of European buildings. I think it is an interesting sight. Everything is huge and important, especially when you are with your family.



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Regionów

Szkoła Podstawowa nr 37

Białystok, **Poland**



1st Prize

Andżelika Chodziutko, (7 years)

In the future in Podlasie we will all be one huge European family. Our international language will be friendship and tolerance. We will always take care of our traditions and monuments. The greatest common good of the whole European Union is beautiful Polish nature and clean air. Together we will look after the cleanliness of our water, gain natural energy and get rid of smog.

I want Podlasie to be the "green lungs" of Europe.





2nd Prize

Michał Burzyński, (12 years)

The region where I was born and I live is called Podlasie (Poland). Although it has changed a lot in last years thanks to the membership in the European Union, I would like to build more better roads in my region. I'd like to have new fast trains joining my region with other Polish regions. I think Podlasie needs its own airport, too.

To help my environment, I'd like my region to use plenty of renewable energy. I hope these changes won't affect the character of Podlasie because I love it and I always want to live here.



3rd Prize

Adam Krasowski, (10 years)

In the future my city will look like a science-fiction movie shot.

Instead of roads there will be air tunnels for vehicles to move. Cars will be powered with solar energy. Instead of houses there will be tall buildings for people to live, similar to transmission towers. Huge bridges will be built to emit tons of energy for the vehicles.

The buildings will be equipped in teleport domes as there will be numerous strangers visiting our city.

The tunnels will look like a chessboard with black squares gathering energy from the bridges in order to hold the future Podlasie vehicles.



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Szkoła Podstawowa w Skokowie

Opole Lubelskie, **Poland**



1st Prize

Natalia Winiarz, (10 years)

I've been dreaming about a trip which I will remember for the rest of my life. If our school gets funds from the EU, my dream will certainly come true. My class will be able to spend a wonderful time in a great place then. The mountains, the sea and the lakes are awaiting us! We're going to make a plan of our trip with our class tutor. We will travel, get to know new places and people, spend time together, have fun and learn at the same time. I can't wait! We may even go abroad, where we will practice our English, learn about other cultures and present ours. Isn't that great?!





2nd Prize

Magdalena Dudek, (12 years)

Our school is wonderful! We have a safe playground and a big pitch, which were built thanks to the funds gained from the EU. The area around the school is also beautiful. However, I have one more dream – a new gym. My dream gym...It's big and really well equipped. When we have it, all of my schoolmates will love to exercise there. Perhaps our foreign friends will visit us and we will organise a sports competition together. It would be great! Who knows, maybe I'll become a famous sportswoman in the future. It is my personal dream. I hope it will come true.



3rd Prize

Gabriela Śliwińska, (11 years)

I go to school in a small village – Skoków. My school is great! My classmates and I have many dreams and hobbies. I'm dreaming of becoming a singer, Igor wants to be an actor, and Julka would love to work as a dancer. We don't have any after class activities with professional artists and I'm sure all of us would be delighted if we were given a chance to take part in such lessons for free. It's one of our biggest dreams. Who knows, perhaps such classes would help us develop our talents? Later on we will also be able to share them with other European Union citizens and become famous.



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Regionów

Școala Gimnazială ION MAREŞ

Vulcana-Băi, Romania



1st Prize

Antonia-Maria Dumitru (10 years)

In my drawing I presented myself, I was dreaming to become a star of traditional music and I will sing on the stage at the International Day of our traditional costume, representing respect (regard) for my region (village) and for my traditional costume.

I hope and I wish my dream become true!





2nd Prize

Bianca-Andreea Popescu (11 years)

My drawing represents my dream. I want it to happen with the forests from my village. In the forest we can find little and helpless animals.

On the left, I tried to present the reality. The trees which were cut, garbage everywhere, an unusual environment, but a real one.

Lately, people want to make their supply for winter by breaking the rules and they cut trees.

There are many people who throw garbage everywhere and they aren't interested in recycle.

On the right, I tried to draw my dream to have green grass everywhere, trees, everything to be full of life.

I hope, some day my dream will become reality.



3rd Prize

Antonio-Valentin Savu (11 years)

In my drawing I wanted to present a boy who is at school who imagined he would become a doctor. Only if he learns at school will he be a doctor.

In the drawing is a normal sun and another one which smiles, some clouds and a bubble in which was the boy's dream and his school. I tried to use colours everywhere and I think, I succeeded in this. In the drawing I didn't want to present myself.

This is the exploration for my drawing and I hope you to enjoy it!



Comitetul European
al Regiunilor

Základná škola, Spišské Podhradie

Podhradie, **Slovakia**



1st Prize

Vanesa Morongová (12 years)

Music is a painting that one takes in with one's ears. It makes people jollier and happier. It is me on the picture, and all that makes me happy: motherland, music and drawing.





2nd Prize

Tamara Vaceková (11 years)



3rd Prize

Monika Jurečková (12 years)

Look what can be made out of an onion - a fairy tale witch, Jezibaba. I grew up with Slovak fairy tales, where the good wins over the evil. They were put together by Pavol Dobsinsky who is a Slovak version of Andersen. Our illustrators are amongst the best in Europe (Ludovit Fulla, Albin Brunovsky, Miroslav Cipar and others). I think I will become an illustrator.

Spis is the region I come from - the most beautiful one in Slovakia! We have many unique monuments here that are on the UNESCO list like - Spis castle and Kapitula Cathedral, church in Zehra, Levoca town. We also boast with stunning nature in High Tatras and Slovak Paradise. We are visited by many tourists. I want them to feel welcome here.



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