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Assignment for the Climate Citizen Adaptation Award for 19 to 24-year-olds: Help to climate-proof the Netherlands

The climate is changing and there is very little we can do to stop the temperature from rising. We can, however, adapt to the consequences of climate change (climate adaptation). How do you see society in a climate-proof Netherlands in 2100, and how will this affect the spatial, economic and social organization? Have you got some good ideas about this? If so, enter the Citizen Climate Adaptation Award 2021. The competition is open to individuals and groups of a maximum of four.

Sketch your idea of the Netherlands in 2100

The University of Groningen/Campus Fryslân and Wetterskip Fryslân challenge you to sketch a picture of the Netherlands in which you hope to live and work in 2100. Think in terms of the opportunities of climate change, not just the threats. A perspective that will spur government bodies and citizens into action. A climate-proof and future-proof view of the Netherlands!

Competition based on four themes

Climate adaptation revolves around four themes: extreme rainfall, heat stress, drought and flooding. These themes affect the way in which society is organized. To win one of these prizes, you must focus on all four themes and more!

How will we live, where will we live and where will we work? And what about mobility, infrastructure, energy supplies, food production, drink water production and the availability of fresh water for agriculture and nature? What will it mean to our country if climate change prevents us from planning farmland, housing and nature wherever we like? And how will we adapt our behaviour? These are all spatial-economic and social problems, to which we do not yet have answers.

What do you need to do?

Write a paper, make a video, build a model or find another creative way to convey your idea for climate-proofing the Netherlands by 2100. Don't just consider the spatial aspects and the planning of the social living environment, but try to think of new concepts for society. Base your idea on a new sustainable, circular economy, which will uphold or even boost our status as a major global country. Take the critical success factors into account in your entry.

What can you win?



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The winners can win one of three cash prizes:

- First prize: €1,000.
- Second prize: €500.
- Third prize: €250.

Send in your entry

Send in your entry, along with the completed entry form, before 7 January 2021 to cf-board@rug.nl. If your entry is too big for the digital mailbox, you can post it to RUG/Campus Fryslân, Wirdumerdijk 34, 8911 CE Leeuwarden.

Presentation of the Citizen Climate Adaptation Award

The prizes will be presented on Saturday 23 January in Leeuwarden, Paul van Erkelens, former chairman of the Wetterskip Fryslân water authority board.

Assessment criteria for the *Citizen Climate Adaptation Award*

1. Originality/innovation
Is the approach being presented totally new?
2. Effectiveness/efficiency
What will the impact of the idea be, and how easy or difficult would it be to realize?
3. Sustainability
Does the idea fit in with a circular economy, is it carbon neutral?
4. Spatial-economic perspective
Is the idea feasible and affordable, and how will it affect spatial quality?
5. Social impact
How will the idea affect people's well-being and quality of life?

Candidates can score 0-10 points on each of the five criteria. The maximum score is therefore 50 points.

Conditions for taking part in the Citizen Climate Adaptation Award

1. The idea for the project must not have been submitted for this award before.
2. Written suggestions must not exceed 500 words (excluding the title and any source references), videos may be no longer than 3 minutes, models may be no bigger than 150 x 150 x 150 cm.
3. There are two age categories:



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- a. 15 to 18 years: Entrants must be a minimum of 15 years old and a maximum of 18 years old on the day that the competition closes.
- b. 19 to 24 years: Entrants must be a minimum of 19 years old and a maximum of 24 years old on the day that the competition closes.
4. If an idea is entered by a group, 75 percent of the group must be within the age category.
5. Groups may consist of a maximum of four people.