

Virtual Fire Ecology Film Festival Rules

By submitting a film to the Virtual Fire Ecology Film Festival being hosted by the Pau Costa Foundation (PCF) and the Association for Fire Ecology (AFE), contestants agree to the following rules of participation.

- **Age:** Contestants must be at least 18 years old to participate.
- **Number and Type of Submissions:** Contestants can submit a maximum of 3 films. Submitted films should fit into one of the following categories:
 - Documentary video on fire ecology and management
 - Videos of fire events that illustrate a relevant fire ecology-suppression issue
 - Promotional videos of projects involving fire ecology and management
 - Institutional videos to educate citizens about fire ecology and management
- **Year of production:** All films entered at the festival must have been produced after January 1, 2010.
- **Original versions and subtitles:** The festival accepts submissions in any language. However, all the non-English films should be supported by English subtitles.
- **Submission deadline:** All submissions must be registered before September 28, 2020 at 24.00 (CEST).
- **Fees:** There is no submission fee to participate in the festival.
- **Voting:**
 - From October 5 to October 20, 2020, an anonymous poll will be held so that individuals can vote one time for their favorite film.
 - The vote is open to the public with no registration required; participants will have the option to provide their email address to be informed of the festival results.
 - The film that receives the most votes will be announced on October 21 during the webinar that is part of the Fire Across Boundaries Virtual Event.
 - The contestant who receives the most votes will have the chance to broadcast his/her film in Florence, Italy and will receive free registration for the conference to be held in October 2021.
- **Rights of use:**

- By submitting a film to the festival, the contestant verifies that he/she has access to all necessary releases and copyright information for AFE and PCF to show the film at the Fire Across Boundaries conference.
- Contestants will provide the website address for the film's location on a video hosting site (e.g., YouTube, Vimeo). The url will be used to embed the video on the Fire Across Boundaries website, as this will make it easy for viewers to play multiple videos from one webpage. AFE and PCF will not download or host video files.
- The contestant is responsible for setting the film's privacy and use settings according to his/her preferences.