### THE POLISH PRIZE OF SÉRGIO VIEIRA DE MELLO

United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (2002-2003)

honorary patronage:

Ambassador of the Federative Republic of Brazil to Poland

Ambassador of the Kingdom of Sweden to Poland

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

#### RULES OF THE PRIZE

### 20. Edition

### **General conditions**

- 1. The Polish Prize of Sérgio Vieira de Mello, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (2002-2003), hereinafter also referred to as the "Prize" is awarded annually in two categories: a person and a nongovernmental organization.
- 2. The Prize is awarded for activities enhancing the peaceful coexistence and cooperation of communities, religions, and cultures.
- 3. The Prize is awarded after an examination of submitted applications by the Panel of Judges, functioning according to the regulations.
- 4. Candidates for the Prize may come from Poland and abroad.
- 5. Candidates for the Prize may be proposed by individuals, institutions, diplomatic and consular corps, and non-governmental organizations from Poland and abroad.
- 6. It is not possible to award at the same time a nongovernmental organization and a person related to that organization.
- 7. The Laureates receive a statuette of Sérgio Vieira de Mello and a commemorative diploma. The Prize may also have a financial dimension.
- 8. The Panel of Judges may award a special Honorary Prize for outstanding achievements in human rights. Candidates for the Honorary Prize are proposed by the members of the Panel.

## **Application process**

- 1. The applicant may propose more than one Candidate for the Prize, submitting a separate Nomination Form for each Candidate.
- 2. The applicant chooses the appropriate category for their Candidate fills in the Nomination Form and submits it online via www.villa.org.pl from 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023 to 20<sup>th</sup> August 2023.
- 3. Nomination Forms meeting the conditions set up above will be considered by the Panel of Judges.

## Information about the contest and awarding of the Prize

- 1. Nomination Forms and Regulations are available at: www.villa.org.pl.
- 2. For more information, please contact Liliana Scelina, e-mail: <a href="mailto:nagrodademello@villa.org.pl">nagrodademello@villa.org.pl</a>
- 3. The ceremony of awarding the 20<sup>th</sup> edition of the Prize will take place on 26 October 2023.

# Other regulations

- 1. The applicant agrees to data processing by the Organizer.
- 2. The applicant takes over from the Organizer the responsibility by way of claims of third parties that might occur due to the nomination of a Candidate.
- 3. The submitted Nomination Forms and documents will not be returned.
- 4. The Panel of Judges might address the Applicant and third parties linked to the Candidate's activities for additional information and materials.
- 5. Nomination Forms not meeting the requirements of the Regulations will be rejected.
- 6. The submission of Nomination Forms means an acceptance of the conditions stipulated in the Regulations.

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