Competition Terms and Conditions

The Voices of a Brighter Future competition (the Competition) is being carried out by the United Nations Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (here forth referred to as UN-OHRLLS).

Qualifying Entrants

1. To qualify to enter the Competition you must be a national born in one of the 47 Least Developed Countries (LDCs). The list of LDCs can be found at the end of this document or at the following link: http://bit.ly/2v4Oawy. Submissions from nationals of non-LDC countries will not be considered.

2. Employees of the United Nations and their immediate families as well as persons connected with the Competition and their immediate families are not eligible to enter the Competition.

3. By entering the Competition, you hereby warrant that all information submitted by you is true, current and complete. The UN-OHRLLS reserves the right to verify the eligibility of all entrants.

4. The UN-OHRLLS reserves the right to disqualify any entrant if it has reasonable grounds to believe the entrant has breached any of the Terms and Conditions for the Competition.

Competition Entries

5. Only one submission per journalist is allowed. Journalists must be affiliated with a recognized media outlet and submit a Reference from said outlet.

6. All submissions must be made through the Competition Application Form at the following link: https://goo.gl/forms/3CwATs71nrA5S4803

7. At no stage in the Competition will there be a fee charged for entry.

8. Stories should focus exclusively on one or more LDCs and must have been published between 16 August 2017 and 16 March 2018 and distributed by a recognized news outlet in an LDC. Submissions outside of the Competition dates will not be considered.

9. Submissions can include print (also see paragraph 11.), radio and video. (For print – 1,400 word maximum, radio and video of maximum 10 minutes. All photos should be accompanied by captions).
10. Print stories need to be accompanied by a minimum of three photographs. Please credit the photographer. A photographer other than the main entrant will not be considered as a separate entrant in the competition. Full credit must be given for accompanying photos, which are not the work of the submitting journalist.

11. Stories can be submitted in any language. Stories in languages other than English and French must be accompanied by an English translation.

12. Please submit both a URL link to the story that has been published/ broadcast and the original file of the story in either: word, pdf, mp4, mp3, WAV

**Competition Winners**

13. Competition winners will be chosen by a panel of judges by 10 April 2018. In all matters, the decision of the judges shall be final and no correspondence or discussion shall be entered into.

14. Competition winners and shortlisted names may be published in the UN-OHRLLS web page in which the competition appeared.

15. The offer for competition winners to participate in the Sustainable Energy for All Forum, 2018 is non-transferable and there is no cash alternative.

16. Competition winners must produce a minimum of two published stories based on initiatives highlighted at the Sustainable Energy for All Forum from an LDC perspective. The published stories will be subject to the conditions set out under ‘Intellectual Property Rights and Use of Submissions’ in the current Terms of Condition.

**Intellectual Property Rights & Use of Submissions**

17. Journalists submitting to the Competition - and subsequently the Competition winners - retain ownership and copyright of their submissions, although the UN-OHRLLS will be able to use Submissions as set out in paragraph 19 below, you will also have the right to use your Submission in any way you choose.

18. In consideration of the UN-OHRLLS agreeing to consider entrants to the Competition, each entrant hereby agrees that the UN-OHRLLS (and third parties authorised by the UN-OHRLLS) may make any and all Submissions available in their publications and on their websites and any other media, whether now known or created in the future. You now grant the UN-OHRLLS (and third parties authorised by the UN-OHRLLS) a non-exclusive, worldwide, irrevocable license to use, display, publish, transmit, copy, make derivative works from, edit, alter, store, re-format the Submission for such purposes. This also applies to the published stories by Competition winners who will participate in the Sustainable Energy for All Forum, 2018.

19. Your entry and any information submitted by you must be personal to and relate specifically to you. You hereby warrant that your Submission and all information which you submit and/or distribute will not infringe the intellectual property, privacy or any other rights of any third party, and will not contain anything which is libellous, defamatory, obscene, indecent, harassing or threatening. If relevant, the UN-OHRLLS reserves the right, but not the
obligation, to screen, filter and/or monitor information provided by you and to edit, refuse
to distribute or remove the same.

List of the 47 Least Developed Countries

Afghanistan, Angola, Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Central African
Republic, Chad, Comoros, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia,
Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Kiribati, Lao People’s Democratic Republic, Lesotho, Liberia,
Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Niger, Rwanda, Sao Tome
and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Timor-Leste,
Togo, Tuvalu, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Vanuatu, Yemen, Zambia,