



## SNAPPING CITIES | Mo Ibrahim Foundation (MIF) Photography Competition 2014

### Brief

**Snapping Cities** is an opportunity for photographers of all abilities and ages, to capture through their own lenses, urban life in Africa. MIF is seeking images that capture inspiring ways of tackling urban challenges in African cities. This may be modern innovation or a basic adaptation of day-to-day life. The theme is open to your personal interpretation but we're looking for beautiful, inspiring and original photographs. A selection of the best photographs will be displayed at the 2014 Ibrahim Forum on African Cities in Accra, Ghana, in November, with prizes for the top three entries: first prize of US\$500, second prize of US\$200 and third prize of US\$100.

### Logistics

- To submit an entry, visit [www.moibrahimfoundation.org/snapping-cities](http://www.moibrahimfoundation.org/snapping-cities), upload your photo and fill out the online form with the following details:
  - your full name and country of residence;
  - the name of the African city in which the photograph was taken;
  - a short paragraph describing the photograph and how it relates to the brief of the competition;
  - information on whether the photograph was taken on a camera or a phone, or other device;
  - your social media handles, if possible (Facebook, Twitter etc.).
- All photographs must be submitted by 5pm on 10 October 2014.
- Entries will be judged by the MIF secretariat.

### Prizes

- Winners will be selected for the top three prizes: first prize of US\$500, second prize of US\$200 and third prize of US\$100.
- A selection of the best photographs will be displayed in an exhibition at the 2014 Ibrahim Forum in Accra, Ghana, in November.
- Selected entries will also be displayed on the MIF website.

### Terms and Conditions

1. Only one original image is allowed to be submitted per person.
2. In order to ensure an original exhibition, photographs must not previously have been published in any photography competition, other display or exhibition, or in any print product (commercial or otherwise).
3. Photographs submitted must be taken in Africa.
4. There is no age limit for entering, and international entries will be welcomed.
5. You may only submit digital entries, via the following website: [www.moibrahimfoundation.org/snapping-cities](http://www.moibrahimfoundation.org/snapping-cities)
6. Only entries that have completed the online form and uploaded a photo via the website specified above will be entered into the competition.
7. Image requirements: JPG, JPEG, GIF or PNG
8. Photographs submitted must be your own work, must not be copied, must not contain any third-party materials and/or content that you do not have permission to use, must not contain any trademarks and must not otherwise be obscene, defamatory or in breach of any applicable legislation or regulations. If MIF has reason to believe your entry is not your own work or otherwise breaches this rule, your photograph will not be considered.
9. MIF is aware that digital photography does allow for some image enhancement. You can enter images that have had spots, scratches or other blemishes or minor features removed. You can have worked on the colour or enhance the image for the sake of the composition. You can also crop the image to improve composition.
10. We will not accept composite images – entries that stitch two or more separate photographs together to make one image, or entries that superimpose elements photographed separately onto an image.
11. We would like contestants to stay faithful to the spirit of the competition, and never deceive the viewer or misrepresent the aspect of urban life that is being portrayed. MIF reserves the right to exclude any image they believe may have been excessively treated so as to alter its authenticity.



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12. MIF reserves the right to modify entries, including but not limited to resizing, cropping or colour adjustment as deemed necessary by MIF while maintaining the integrity of your entry.
13. MIF will provide a credit for all entries.
14. Copyright of all entries remains with the photographer, but MIF reserves the right to use, publish and republish entries in connection with the competition, without payment.
15. By entering this competition you grant permission to MIF to reproduce your photographs in electronic format and hard copy including for display at an exhibition, in MIF documentation, at MIF events and on MIF websites and social media should they be selected for such purpose.
16. You grant MIF the right to use your name, country of residence and the location of the photograph for the sole purpose of identifying you as the author of your photographs and/or as a winner or runner-up of the competition.
17. Employees of MIF and their families may not enter this competition.
18. The MIF secretariat will choose the winning entries.
19. Prizes are as stated and no alternative can be offered.
20. Entries on behalf of another person will not be accepted and joint submissions are not allowed.
21. No responsibility is taken for lost, delayed, misdirected or incomplete entries. Proof of delivery of the entry is not proof of receipt.
22. By entering, entrants will be deemed to have agreed to be bound by these rules and MIF reserves the right to exclude any entry from the competition at any time and in its absolute discretion if MIF has reason to believe that an entrant has breached these rules.
23. MIF's decision as to the eligibility of individual photographs, and the choice of winning entries, will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
24. MIF reserves the right to cancel this competition or alter any of the rules at any stage, if deemed necessary in its opinion, and if circumstances arise outside of its control.
25. Please take your photographs responsibly.
26. If you have any questions about how to enter, or in connection with the competition, please email [photos@moibrahimfoundation.org](mailto:photos@moibrahimfoundation.org)