

The **PRIX EX AEQUO Festival** is an international competition for children's and youth radio plays organized by Radio and Television Slovakia (RTVS) in cooperation with the European Broadcasting Union (EBU). The **12th edition of the Festival** continues in supporting the creation of radio drama works for children and youth and enables the international exchange in this field. The previous editions of the Festival have proven its long-term ambition to promote the exchange of theoretical, technical and professional expertise at an international level. The creation of radio drama works for children and youth is one of the priorities of RTVS and we try to maintain a decent position within the main stream of innovations and progressive approaches thanks to keeping in contact with the creations of partnering organizations from abroad. The PRIX EX AEQUO is a celebration of radio drama creations for the youngest listeners and of its potential to cultivate the emotional, aesthetic and ethic aspects of the inner world of thoughts of its recipients. The competition is open to Members and Associates of the EBU.

The Festival takes place from 13 to 16 November 2018 in the premises of Radio and Television Slovakia – **Slovak Radio building at Mýtna street, Bratislava.**

There are two following competition categories:

- 1. a radio fairy tale for children**
- 2. a radio play for youth.**

Participating organizations may submit drama programmes first produced in the period from September 2016 to the end of August 2018. Radio organization may submit drama programmes for each category, the total duration of the programme in one category may not exceed 60 minutes. The deadline for submitting the competing entries is **7 September 2018**. The official language of the Festival is English.

The international Jury in each category has three members and is set up of experts in radio drama and literature for children and youth. Radio and Television Slovakia appoints an expert from its own country to the Jury in each category as well as two additional Jury members on the basis of EBU Members' proposals.

After having listened to all competing programmes the members of the Jury will shortlist 4 best titles of each category and on the basis of this selection they will define the winner.

The Jury shall award a prize for overall quality in each category to an organization submitting its entry to the competition: PRIX EX AEQUO for the best radio fairy tale for children and PRIX EX AEQUO for the best radio play for youth. A prize in each category shall be also given to an individual engaged in the competing programme: PRIX EX AEQUO for the exceptional execution of radio fairy tale for children and PRIX EX AEQUO for the exceptional execution of radio play for youth. The PRIX EX AEQUO prizes are of non-financial nature and will be handed over by the Director of the Festival at the award ceremony on 16 November 2018.