Respected principal, fellow piano teachers,

It is our great pleasure to invite You and Your students to the Fifth international piano competition - SIMC in Slobomir, Bijeljina, Bosnia and Herzegovina - RS, in the period from 11 - 14 May, 2017.

The competition will be held for the disciplines PIANO SOLO and PIANO DUO, and candidates will be judged by the jury consisting of pianists and pedagogues of international renown, who will hold Master class and classes for teachers and professors within the Fourth international piano competition - SIMC.

The organizer of this significant manifestation is the Academy of Arts, Slobomir P University from Bijeljina.

Please find attached Rules of the competition, Conditions, and the application form for the competition.
If You would be so kind as to forward this material to your colleagues, primarily piano teachers and professors, as well as to the head of piano department.

Detailed information can be obtained at the Competition web page www.simc.spu.ba, www.spu.ba, phone: +387 65 325 839, +387 55 231 - 196 and email: simcslobomir@gmail.com.

We wish to express our thanks for Your attention and support, and look forward to welcoming You in our modest, but music-enriched oasis of freedom and peace.

Kind regards!

The President of the Expert and Organizing Committee
Dean of the Academy of Arts
Prof. Aleksandra Radosavljević

1. The organizer of the competition is Slobomir P University in Slobomir, Bijeljina;
2. The competition will be held at the Academy of Arts, Slobomir P University in Slobomir, Bijeljina, from 11-14 May, 2017;
3. The competition is organized for the disciplines PIANO SOLO and PIANO DUO in categories according to age;
4. The competition is open to the public;
5. The competition is open to pianists of all nationalities;
6. In the discipline PIANO DUO, the category is determined according to the age of the older candidate;
7. **Competition applications can be submitted in two ways:**
   - **Online application (by email)** until 24 April, 2017 at the following email address: simcslobomir@gmail.com
   - **By post (filled in and certified application form)** to the address: Pavlović put 76, PF 70, 76300 Bijeljina

   Final deadline for submitting the application forms is April 24, 2017. The date on a post office seal will be regarded as a proof of the time the application was sent. In addition to the application form, a copy of a document proving the age of the candidate ought to be sent.
8. Documents which are required for the application are as follows:
   - An application form with the accurate titles of the pieces and their duration (The application form can be downloaded here: [www.simc.spu.ba](http://www.simc.spu.ba), [www.spu.ba](http://www.spu.ba));
• Scanned document of Identification and candidate’s age (birth certificate, Identity Card, or Passport)

• Scanned document of the payment of the entrance fee.
  Candidates from abroad can pay their entrance fee before the start of the competition.

9. The Program has to be performed in its entirety;

10. It is possible to make changes till April 24, 2017;

11. In PIANO SOLO section, the Program must be played by heart (or from memory).

12. Entrance fees for the Competition are as follows:

• PIANO SOLO discipline - Pre-category, I, II and III category       30 EUR
• PIANO SOLO discipline - IV and V Category                    40 EUR
• PIANO SOLO discipline - VI, VII and VIII Category            50 EUR
• PIANO DUO discipline - A and B Category                     40 EUR
• PIANO DUO discipline - C and D Category                     50 EUR
• PIANO DUO discipline - E, F and G Category                  60 EUR

13. The Entrance fee payment should be made to the following account:

• The candidates from Bosnia and Herzegovina are to pay the entrance fee to the following account:
  PAVLOVIC INTERNATIONAL BANK
  554-001-00002647-94

• The candidates from abroad are to pay the entrance fee to the following account:
  PAVLOVIC INTERNATIONAL BANK AD
  SLOBOMIR-BIJELJINA, BIH
  SWIFT: PAVLBA22
  (Beneficiary):
IBAN: BA395547800004590168

Name and address:
SLOBOMIR P UNIVERSITY
BA-76300 BIJELJINA
SLOBOMIR

IMPORTANT: Do not forget to write down the name of the candidate on the entrance fee money order!!!

14. The participation fee cannot be refunded under any circumstances;
15. The organizer shall provide the Invitation letter for the participants which need visa to enter the Republic of Srpska. Regarding this, we appeal to the candidates from abroad to contact the Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in their respective countries in order to acquire the necessary documents.
16. The candidates will be judged by a jury consisting of eminent pianists and pedagogues;
17. The JURY is independent and will judge the competitors immediately after their performance;
18. Candidates have to specify the professor's name in their application. In case a member of the Jury is currently a professor or related to the candidate, he/she shall be excluded from judging the candidate.
19. JURY decisions are final;
20. The Competition prizes are as follows:
   - I prize - from 90 up to 100 points;
   - II prize - from 80 up to 89,99 points;
   - III prize - from 70 up to 79,99 points;
   - COMMENDATION - from 60 up to 69,99 points;
   - DIPLOMA for participation - for obtaining less than 60 points
21. The number of prizes is not limited;
22. One contestant from I, II and III category (Elementary school) and one contestant from IV, V, VI, VII and VIII category (High school and music
academy) can earn the title Laureate of Slobomir International Music Competition. Only the first prize-winner can become Laureate.

23. Categories VI, VII and VIII are eliminatory. The number of candidates who enter the second round is not limited;

24. Competition manager manages the proceedings. The decisions of the jury are final and not subject to question or appeal;

25. Pedagogues whose students win the first prize, will be awarded with the honorary diploma

26. All the awarded contestants shall take part in The Concert of the Awarded;

27. The Competition and The Concert of the Awarded will be covered by Slobomir Radio and TV, without the right for compensation

28. Travel and lodging expenses are covered by the candidates. For all the information regarding the Competition, hotel reservations, etc, please contact competition organizer;

29. The Organizer of the Competition will provide practicing facilities at the Music Academy of Slobomir P University and the Music School “Stevan Stojanović Mokranjac” in Bijeljina
DISCIPLINE: PIANO SOLO

PRE-CATEGORY
(born in 2008. and younger)

PROGRAM (up to 5 minutes);

Two or more pieces of the candidate’s free choice;

I CATEGORY
(born in 2006. and younger)

PROGRAM (up to 7 minutes):

Two or more pieces of the candidate’s free choice;

II CATEGORY
(born in 2004. and younger)

PROGRAM (up to 10 minutes):

a) One act of sonatina, sonata or a variation;

b) two or more pieces of different composers of the candidate’s free choice;

III CATEGORY
(born in 2002. and younger)
PROGRAM (up to 13 minutes):

a) One act of sonatina, sonata or a variation;

b) two or more pieces of different composers of the candidate’s free choice;

IV CATEGORY
(born in 2000. and younger)

PROGRAM (up to 17 minutes):

a) One act of sonatina, sonata or a variation;

b) two or more pieces of different composers of the candidate’s free choice;

V CATEGORY
(born in 1998. and younger)

PROGRAM (up to 20 minutes):

a) One act of sonatina, sonata or a variation;

b) two or more pieces of different composers of the candidate’s free choice;

VI CATEGORY
(1st and 2nd year students)

PROGRAM:

I ROUND (up to 20 minutes):

a) one virtuoso etude

b) the program of the candidate's free choice

II ROUND (up to 20 minutes):
a) the program of the candidate's free choice

**VII CATEGORY**
(3\textsuperscript{rd}, 4\textsuperscript{th}, 5\textsuperscript{th} year students)

**PROGRAM:**

I ROUND (20 minutes);

a) one virtuoso etude

b) the program of the candidate’s free choice

II ROUND (up to 25 minutes):

b) the program of the candidate’s free choice

**VIII CATEGORY**
(free category up to 35 years of age)

**PROGRAM:**

I ROUND (25 minutes);

a) one virtuoso etude

b) the program of the candidate's free choice

II ROUND (up to 25 minutes):

c) the program of the candidate’s free choice

**DISCIPLINE: PIANO DUO**
(piano four hands, 2 pianos, combination)
CATEGORY A
(born in 2005. and younger)

PROGRAM (up to 7 minutes):
Two or more pieces of different composers;

CATEGORY B
(born in 2002. and younger)

PROGRAM (up to 10 minutes):
Two or more pieces of different composers;

CATEGORY C
(born in 2000. and younger)

PROGRAM (up to 12 minutes):
Two or more pieces of different composers

CATEGORY D
(born in 1998. and younger)

PROGRAM (up to 15 minutes):
- two or more pieces of different composers

CATEGORY E
(1st and 2nd year students)

PROGRAM (up to 20 minutes):
- the program of the candidate’s free choice (out of which at least one piece must be originally written for piano);

**CATEGORY F**
(3rd, 4th, 5th year students)

PROGRAM (up to 25 minutes):
- the program of the candidate’s free choice (out of which at least one piece must be originally written for piano);

**CATEGORY G**
(free category up to 35 years of age)

PROGRAM (up to 30 minutes):
- the program of the candidate’s free choice (out of which at least one piece must be originally written for piano);

Note for the piano duo:
the sheet music can be used in all the categories.
V SLOBOMIR INTERNATIONAL MUSIC COMPETITION

APPLICATION

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name of the candidate</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Date of birth</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Address</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>City/Country</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Telephone/Mobile</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Email</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>School/Institution</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Professor</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Discipline</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Category</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Program:

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.
6.
7.

Please provide detailed information on the composition (composer, title, number, tonality, opus, movement and duration).