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## EXTENDED DEADLINE FOR THE CHARLEMAGNE YOUTH PRIZE

The deadline for entering the 8th Charlemagne Youth Prize has been extended to the 23rd February. The Prize is organised by the European Parliament and the International Charlemagne Prize Foundation in Aachen and it is awarded each year for projects run by people aged between 16 and 30. The winning projects should provide models for young people living in Europe and offer practical examples of Europeans living together.

Any organisation running a project which promotes Europe among young people is invited to compete for this prize. Winning projects will not only benefit from recognition and media coverage but also from prize money to further develop the initiative.

"Our Government is keen to support any project which allows young people to engage with Europe and to learn more about European institutions and, indeed, people will remember that, in September, we arranged for a group of students to visit Brussels," said Dr Joseph Garcia, the Deputy Chief Minister. "It would be a very good idea for young people in Gibraltar who are interested in Europe to enter a project in this very worthwhile competition."

The three winning projects will be awarded €5,000, €3,000, and €2,000 respectively. Their representatives will be invited to visit the European Parliament in Brussels or Strasbourg in the autumn. Representatives of the top 28 projects will be invited to the Charlemagne Youth Prize award ceremony and the International Charlemagne Prize of the City of Aachen award ceremony two days later during a four-day trip to Aachen in May 2015.

Further details are available at http://www.charlemagneyouthprize.eu/en/root.html