



The nanoGUNE Cooperative Research Centre and the Donostia International Physics Centre (DIPC) are running a comic and science challenge aimed at 1) young people aged between 14 and 18, and 2) people over 18 years old. The aim of the challenge - part of the nanoKOMIK project organised by both centres during 2017 and co-funded by the Spanish Foundation for Science and Technology (FECYT) - is to generate original stories and innovative ideas that will be recreated later in a **participative nanofiction comic**.

HOW TO CREATE YOUR NANOKOMIK

The challenge is to create a graphic story about a female or male comic superhero with "nanopowers", that is, sophisticated skills or powers acquired through nanoscience and nanotechnology. To do so, we need to know two things:

- **How to create the nanopower:** Participants can consult nanoKOMIK's website to find out how nanotechnology can modify different properties of materials, and from there, or from any other source, invent their character's special power or ability: a nanopower.
- **How to create a comic:** check the website for the main steps to create a comic.

PARTICIPANTS

The challenge will have two categories:

- **Category A:** aimed at youngsters from 14 to 18 years of age; specifically, youngsters born between 1999 and 2003. They may enter the competition individually or in a group.
- **Category B:** people older than 18 years of age; specifically, people born before 1999. They may enter the competition individually or as co-authors.

In both categories:

- People from all nationalities can enter the competition.
- Participants work may be submitted in Basque, Spanish, French, or English.
- Each participant may present a maximum of two graphic stories.

COMIC SUBMISSION

The characters and the script must be original and the technique and style will be free. Work can be completed in black and white or in colour and completely finished by hand or retouched on a computer. The comic must be unique and unpublished or should not have received an award in other competitions.

Size and resolution

The comic story will adjust to DIN-A dimensions with any size between A4 and A3.

The work must be presented digitalised with 300 dpi resolution.



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Length

- The minimum length for **category A** will be 1 page and maximum will be 2 pages.
- The minimum length for **category B** will be 2 pages and maximum will be 4 pages.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

The period to enter the competition will be from **1st April to 11th June 2017**. Any work received after the deadline will be automatically excluded.

MODE OF SUBMISSION

Work has to be uploaded directly to the website between **1st April and 11th June 2017**.

All participating comics will be posted and visible on the website once the submission deadline expires.

AWARDS

All projects entered will be eligible for different prizes based on the following categories:

- **Category A**
 - **First prize:** valued at 250 euros.
 - **Second prize:** valued at 150 euros.
- **Category B**
 - **First prize:** 500 euros.
 - **Second prize:** 300 euros.
 - **Creation of the final comic of the nanoKOMIK project:** The challenge organisers will offer the winner of category B the possibility of making the final comic of nanoKOMIK 2017. Provided both parties agree on the specific conditions (remuneration, deadlines, licences etc.), the winning author from category B will see her or his work published in four languages with a print run of 1,000 units in Basque and Spanish.
- **Public award:** 100 euros
Projects from both **category A** and **category B** will be eligible for this award, which will be decided by public vote through the relevant section of the website.

The jury may declare any of the prizes null and void, except for the public award.



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THE JURY

The organising committee - comprising the project managers - is responsible for naming the five members of the judging panel. The organising committee may decide to set up two independent panels, depending on the number of projects received in the two categories of the nanoKOMIK 2017 challenge.

Members of the judging panel will set the specific scoring and assessment criteria for the participating projects during their first meeting. The panel shall focus their assessment on the imagination and originality behind the graphic story, and not simply on the quality of the drawings.

CONTACT

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Legal Terms & Conditions

CIC nanoGUNE and DIPC are not liable for any issue which may arise regarding material submission due to a virus or any other incident.

Accepting these Terms and Conditions is compulsory to take part in the challenge and therefore to compete for the prizes. Any breach of the conditions established in the competition Terms and Conditions will lead to automatic disqualification from this challenge.

Under no circumstances may comics be mere translations or works derived from comics originally created in other languages by authors other than the participants. In any event, the co-operation of third parties to assist with the translation of the comic contents to any of the languages accepted in this challenge will be permitted.

Copyright

By submitting comics to this challenge, participants guarantee the materials do not breach any intellectual or industrial copyright owned by third parties, fully releasing DIPC and CIC nanoGUNE from any liability derived from any breach of regulations or breach of third-party rights by the participants who will undertake to hold DIPC and CIC nanoGUNE harmless from any liability in such case.

Challenge participants hereby transfer any exploitation rights from the comics submitted to DIPC and CIC nanoGUNE, including the right to use, disseminate, distribute, exhibit, communicate to the public, disclose and reproduce through Internet or by any other audiovisual means, show or exhibition, the comics submitted, as well as the right to transform, to the necessary extent, to prepare shorter versions of the comics or edit them together with other comics. This transfer will be free of charge, non-exclusive and worldwide.

Moreover, the organisers reserve the right to use the comics selected and received for promotional and/or dissemination purposes. In the event of comics being used for any other purpose unrelated to this section, the corresponding authorisation will be requested from the author.

Works which have previously won any prize will not be accepted. Furthermore, comics shall not breach the property right, integrity or good image of any physical or legal person.

As a result of the transfer of the exploitation rights of the comics submitted, DIPC and CIC nanoGUNE are entitled but not obliged to disseminate or publish comics through Internet or any other audiovisual means, show or exhibit.

After the challenge, those comics selected by the organisation will be available at www.nanokomik.com, nanokomik social networks and DIPC and CIC nanoGUNE websites aimed at scientific dissemination until the organisers consider it appropriate.

Final clauses

Taking part in the challenge implies the acceptance of these terms and conditions. DIPC and CIC nanoGUNE will make a decision regarding any unpredictable case which may be submitted and not foreseen in the terms and conditions.

Organisers are not responsible for any technical problems which may affect the visibility of the comics. Members of the jury will not be able to take part in this challenge.

DIPC and CIC nanoGUNE hereby waive any liability for the loss or delay in any submission, any interruption; lack of time for availability or operating continuity; transmission problem; loss of information; fraud; online damage; software operation problem; access, communication or response failure; or challenge modification due to technical problems or of any other nature which may be beyond their control or attributable to network operators; providers of intermediary or third party services.

DIPC and CIC nanoGUNE may carry out any necessary verification on the participants' identity through official documents (ID card, passport, etc.).

In accordance with Organic Law 15/1999 dated December 13th, all participants are hereby informed that their data shall be held in files under the ownership of both the Donostia International Physics Centre (DIPC) and the nanoGUNE Cooperative Research Centre. The purpose of these files is to facilitate the promotion and management of science dissemination events organised by DIPC, nanoGUNE and/or other collaborating entities. As established in said Law, participants may exercise their rights to access, modification, cancellation and opposition by writing to:

- DIPC, Pº Manuel Lardizabal 4, 20018 Donostia-San Sebastián (Gipuzkoa) or by email to outreach@dipc.org
- CIC nanoGUNE, Avenida de Tolosa 76, 20018 Donostia-San Sebastián (Gipuzkoa) or by email to com@nanogune.eu



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