



63rd Eurovision Song Contest 2018

Proclamation of a Domestic Competition for the participation of Cyprus

Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation (CyBC) hereby announces that it intends to participate in the 63rd Eurovision Song Contest 2018, organized by the European Broadcasting Union (EBU), in May in Lisbon.

CyBC has commissioned the group of composer/producer Alex Papaconstantinou (Alex P.) to compose the song which will represent Cyprus.

In order to select the performer who will represent Cyprus, the Television Programs Department of CyBC, announces an open domestic competition, with the following terms of participation, regulations and procedures.

1. TERMS OF PARTICIPATION

1.1. Cypriots or people of Cypriot origin have the right of participation, irrespective of their place of permanent residence.

“Cypriot” means a citizen of the Republic of Cyprus and includes persons whose parent or parents are of Cypriot origin.

“Cypriot origin” means that the place of origin of the parent or parents up to the third generation is the Republic of Cyprus.

1.2. All performers must have completed their sixteenth (16th) year of age by the date of the Final of the Eurovision Song Contest, that is, on May 12 2018.

1.3 All participants, by submitting their participation, accept that at any stage of the Competition they may be subject to procedures related to the subject of the Competition, i.e. personal interviews, recordings, vocal classes, dance and kinesiology lessons, communication courses, etc.

1.4 CyBC reserves the right not to carry out all phases of the aforementioned contest or to postpone it or even cancel it, if it is considered imperative by the circumstances. At such a case the contestants will have no financial demands from CyBC.

1.5 CyBC reserves the right to revise and/or modify unilaterally both these Terms and Regulations as well as the procedure to be followed, if deemed necessary, without prior consent of the participants. Any revision and/or modification will be deemed as binding by the participants.

1.6 In the event of lack of clarity in the interpretation of the terms of the competition, CyBC has the exclusive right for the final interpretation of these terms.

1.7 In the event that the performers have a record label commitment, they should proceed to make a special arrangement with their own record company that during the period of December 2017 – May 2018, CyBC and the group of Alex Papaconstantinou have the sole responsibility in matters pertaining to the Contest. CyBC reserves the right to request the participants to submit a written assurance of the above. The Record Company of Alex Papaconstantinou becomes, from the start of the recording and hence, the exclusive and sole owner of the Song, including, without limitation, the original tapes of the song (master tapes) that will take part in the Competition on behalf of Cyprus and the underlying musical composition. Alex Papaconstantinou as the producer of the song, acquires all rights legally recognized for the purpose of reproducing such recordings or immaterial entity of sound / and image, of any kind and form, which the record company of Alex Papaconstantinou is entitled to reproduce, perform publically, broadcast and rebroadcast, to circulate and operate and exploit throughout the world and in perpetuity, at its sole discretion, subject to the limitations set forth herein, without having to pay any remuneration to CyBC or any other third party; the above applies also for the video clip of the song that will represent Cyprus.

2. HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY

Entries should be sent to the following email address:

cypruseurovision2018@cybc.com.cy

**Subject: EUROVISION SONG CONTEST 2018
CYPRUS NATIONAL FINAL**

3. DOCUMENTS THAT SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO THE ENTRIES:

On the entries submitted, the following documents should be attached:


3.1 The Solemn Declaration A' on the personal information of the performer, certified by an official Authority (Local Authority or Embassy or Consulate).

3.2 The Solemn Declaration B' of the performer that he/she accepts unconditionally all the terms of participation, regulations and procedures for conducting the domestic contest.

3.3 The Solemn Declaration C' for parents and guardians of people under 18 years of age, by which they accept their child's participation in the selection process, as proclaimed by CyBC.

3.4 A Curriculum Vitae and 2 photographs.

3.5 A video with acapella/live interpretation of up to three (3) different types of songs.

The videos should be sent in the form of a link to YouTube  and should be registered and uploaded as private. These particular videos will be used only during the first phase of the selection process and will not be publicized by CyBC.

All the aforementioned regarding the entries are considered essential and should be sent by email (point 3.1 to 3.5). Otherwise, the entry will be deemed void.

If the candidate does not receive a confirmation of receipt from CyBC within 5 working days of sending the entry, he/she should contact the Department of Television at 22-862416.

4. DEADLINE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

4.1 The last date for sending the entries is the **20th of October 2017.** Any overdue entry will be considered void.

4.2 For the entries submitted electronically, the reply of the email administrator should be deemed as a receipt.

Entries submitted by hand are not accepted.

5. FIRST AND SECOND PHASE OF SELECTION

5.1 In the first phase, all participants who have submitted an application and a video to CyBC will compete, provided that they meet all the participation terms as stated in this Proclamation.

5.2 The participants who will pass to the second phase will be informed of the audition dates. Instructions for the auditions will be given to the successful candidates in due course. The first two phases of the selection process will not be broadcast on tv.

5.3 The number of contestants passing all stages of the selection process will be decided by the CyBC.

8. FINAL PHASE

8.1 The performers selected at the end of the second selection phase will compete in the big final to be broadcast live by CyBC TV.

8.2 In the Final Contest, the contestants will perform songs to be assigned to them by CyBC.

8.2 The winner will be selected by a jury nominated by CyBC and by the television audience through telecasting.

8.3 CyBC reserves the right to proceed with the selection of a performer by any way and in any phase of the procedure, if this is deemed necessary.

8.4 Participants selected to compete in the final, immediately after their names have been announced by CyBC, have the right to advertise their participation in any way they wish, provided they will respect the CyBC Code of Conduct and without compromising it.

9. EXCLUSION OF ENTRY

An entry may be excluded from the second and the final phase of the domestic competition, even if it has been selected to represent Cyprus, for the following reasons:

9.1 If CyBC deems that a performer does not fulfill or has in some way violated, directly or indirectly, the terms of participation and the rules and procedures for conducting the contest.

9.2 In the event that a performer interrupts the rehearsal or the live television broadcast without the permission of the CyBC director. During rehearsals or live broadcast, only the director can stop the rehearsal or the broadcast.

9.3 In the event that any participant deviates from the intended presentation and interpretation of the song, as this has appeared at the dress rehearsal.

9.4 In the event that any participant refuses to comply with the recommendations of the CyBC producers at any stage of preparation and the live broadcast, or shows inappropriate behavior towards the CyBC producers or other contestants.

10. PREPARATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE EUROPEAN CONTEST

10.1 CyBC is the exclusive holder of the Eurovision Song Contest participation and broadcast in Cyprus of the Eurovision Song Contest 2018. In accordance to the EBU regulations, CyBC has the exclusive responsibility both for the promotion and advertising of the song, as well as for the stage presentation of the song participating in the European contest.

10.2 EBU acknowledges only the Senior Television Programs Officer of CyBC Mrs Evi Papamichael, who is appointed Head of Delegation, in all matters pertaining to the contest.

10.3 The performer has no right and/or waives the right to raise any financial or other demands from the CyBC or from any other radio and television organizations to broadcast the song within the framework of

the Eurovision Song Contest, or for the presentation of the song in any radio or television programs in Cyprus or abroad, at the discretion of CyBC, for the purpose of promoting the song.

10.4 The performer also accepts that the song be issued in all forms to be decided by the EBU.

10.5 The video clip of the song, in the event that CyBC decides to proceed with production, will be filmed by a CyBC production team, or by a production company to be selected by CyBC.

10.6 CyBC will be informed in advance and its prior approval will be required for any performance by the performer in any other television channels and radio stations, as well as for any interviews in mass media of all kinds both in Cyprus as well as abroad.

10.7 CyBC reserves the right to organize a promotion campaign for the song abroad.

10.8 The performers who will form the team onstage at the pan-European competition are obligated to put themselves at the disposal of the Head of Delegation and the organizers during rehearsals and live shows, as arranged by the organizers.

10.9 CyBC has the final say as to the presentation of the song, the costumes and the selection of the group that will accompany the performer at the pan-European contest.

10.10 Rehearsals and the preparation of the participation will take place in Cyprus, unless CyBC decides otherwise.

10.11 CyBC will cover the cost of travel, accommodation and meals at the pan-European contest of the group of performers onstage, for as long as the EBU requires.

10.12 All decisions pertaining to the participation are taken jointly by the CyBC and the performers in a spirit of good cooperation. In the event of a disagreement that cannot be resolved through conversation, the view of CyBC is of critical importance and CyBC will take the final decision.

10.13 The performers are required to participate in CyBC programs or other appearances in Cyprus or abroad when called to do so by CyBC. The performers may appear in other mass media in Cyprus and abroad only upon approval by CyBC.

10.14 CyBC is not required to defray any amount as fee to the performers.

10.15 CyBC always retains its full right to take decisions on any matter that may arise and is not regulated by this text.

10.21 In the event of voluntary withdrawal of the performer, CyBC has the right to replace him/her at its discretion. In any case, a letter should be handed in time to the Producers of CyBC at least within a week after the final result has been announced.

**CYPRUS BROADCASTING CORPORATION
TELEVISION PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT**

**63rd Eurovision Song Contest 2018
Domestic Contest**

SOLEMN DECLARATION A'

PERFORMER'S INFORMATION

Capacity: _____

Name and Surname: _____

Date of Birth: _____

ID Number: _____

Address: _____

Work Address: _____

Contact Numbers: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

I solemnly declare that the above personal information is correct and true.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

CERTIFICATION BY OFFICIAL AUTHORITY

Name and Surname: _____

Capacity: _____

Place: _____

Date: _____

Signature and stamp: _____

Date: _____

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SOLEMN DECLARATION B'

ACCEPTANCE OF TERMS, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES

Note:

A separate solemn statement by each participant is required.

I, the undersigned: _____

Taking part in the selection process of the Cyprus entry to the Eurovision Song Contest 2018, do solemnly declare that:

1. I accept all terms of participation, regulations and procedures for conducting the domestic contest the CyBC determines for the selection of the song.
2. I accept the right of CyBC to have the final say on the presentation of the song (orchestration, direction, dance, costumes, vocals, video clip).
3. I accept the right of CyBC to take the final decision as to whether to participate in the European Contest.
4. I accept that all terms hereof are material and that the breach of any term on my part gives CyBC the right to terminate their cooperation with me.

Signature: _____

ID Number: _____

Date: _____

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SOLEMN DECLARATION C'

**PARENT OR GUARDIAN FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MINOR TO
THE CONTEST**

I, the undersigned: _____

Parent or guardian of

Participating in the selection process of the Cyprus entry to the
Eurovision Song Contest, solemnly declare that:

1. I accept the participation of my child in the selection process of the
Cyprus entry for the Eurovision Song Contest

2. I accept the presentation in any CyBC program is deemed necessary,
as well as all terms and regulations of the contest.

Signature: _____

ID Number: _____

Date: _____