The Council of Media Ethics (CMEM) publishes a Call for Best Journalistic Stories related to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19), its challenges and consequences.

The public call is open to all professional journalists and newsrooms which have published stories in the media in the country in the period from **January 1st**, **2020 to May 31st**, **2020.**

All nominated stories should meet the criteria for authentic and analytical journalistic work of a wider public interest that observes ethical standards in journalism, by demonstrating the author's strong commitment for a consistent and thorough elaboration of the topic.

The authors of the best stories will receive prizes in the amount of:

- ▶ first place 500 USD (counter value in MKD)
- ▶ third place 300 USD

The content nominated can be of any journalistic form or genre (article, news item, documentary, reportage, interview...).

Stories can be nominated by journalists and media or individuals, institutions and civil society organizations.

The number of stories per journalist or a newsroom is limited to three.

The call is open by May 31st, 2020.

The applications can be sent by:



e-mail at: **konkurs@semm.mk**; a link should be provided to the journalistic content and attached in the email (word or pdf).

The best stories will be selected from a jury composed of renowned and relevant representatives of the profession.

The Council of Media Ethics of Macedonia will award best stories about the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19), its challenges and consequences in order to motivate journalists to professionally and ethically cover the topics of public interest, in a way that the public is properly informed and takes the required steps for protection and conduct during the crisis.

More information about the competition can be obtained on the office phone number - **02/3222-595** and on the email below: **konkurs@semm.mk**.

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