

# Dubai Vision

CREATING THE FUTURE CAPITAL OF SOLAR ENERGY



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Centre for Cultural Understanding



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## Cultural Competition

October 2016-May 2017

# Background

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The **Sheikh Mohammed Centre for Cultural Understanding (SMCCU)** became an important actor in the Dubai education sector through its arts, cultural and heritage activities addressing the school community.

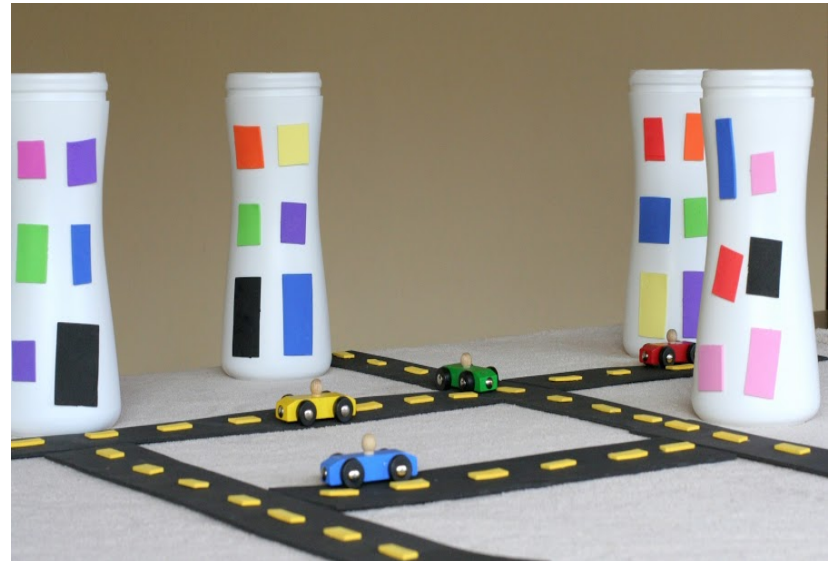
As an active partner of the DUBAI SOLAR SCHOOLS initiative and in order to spread knowledge of the new generations towards the benefits of renewable energy, the SMCCU launched during a press conference last month a unique **cultural competition** named '**Dubai Vision**' among all Dubai schools to take place during the academic year 2016-2017. During the competition, students will be required to creatively imagine the future Dubai as a solar city by taking inspiration from the past and future forms of renewable energy.

The competition will be addressed to three different categories of students based on the school years. Financial prizes will be recognized to the winning schools and a special prize will be assigned to an individual project.



## Dubai Vision: Recycling Crafts Competition (Y1-Y4)

At the heart of this competition is the basic idea that reusing or recycling a material is good, that materials are worth something, even after they are thrown away. Kids will develop projects about their own vision of the future city of Dubai through recycling crafts and will be inspired to reduce, reuse and recycle!



## Dubai Vision: Sustainability Writing Competition (Y5-Y8)

To actively contribute to celebrate the Year of Reading in the UAE, the students will be encouraged to develop their 'green eye', a corresponding 'green pen' and an ecologically minded story about the future of Dubai as a sustainable and solar energy city. The winning essay which will take home the prize will also be published in the SMCCU's and Solar Schools' website and specialized magazines.



## Dubai Vision: 'Imagine Tomorrow' Competition (Y9-Y12)

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This competition challenges 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades to seek new ways to support the transition to alternative energy sources. What types of inventions or redesigns will be needed to take full advantage of the solar energy source? How will the city of Dubai be redesigned? What type of behavioural changes will be necessary and how do we bring those about?

The ways in which each school may present their materials are the following:

- Physical model
- Poster
- Computer presentation (PowerPoint/ DVD/Video/Webiste)





## Dubai Vision: 'Imagine Tomorrow' Competition (Y9-Y12)

In this energy competition, as in life, solutions are limited only by imagination.



# Date and deadlines: make your calendar

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## **23<sup>rd</sup> October- 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

Registration time! Please check out [www.cultures.ae](http://www.cultures.ae) or Dubai-Solar.org and submit all required registration information.

## **13<sup>th</sup> November- 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

Competition ongoing.

## **1<sup>st</sup> March 2017**

Deadline for projects submission.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> March- 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

Evaluation process.

## **1<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

Winning projects will be announced.

## **4<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

Award ceremony.



# Judging information and prizes

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## **1. Recycling Crafts Competition, Sustainability Writing Competition, “Imagine Tomorrow” Competition**

A panel of judges from SMCCU, Architaly Green Energy and Clean Energy Business Council will be evaluating the projects.

One winning school per each competition will be awarded with a financial prize during the final ceremony on the 4<sup>th</sup> May.

## **2. Scholarship Special Award**

The American University of the Emirates (AUE) will award one full year scholarship as a special prize to one student individually entering the competition “Imagine Tomorrow”. The panel of experts from AUE will be judging based on the level of communication of the students with special attention to competition, innovation, creativity, thinking outside the box and critical thinking skills.





## How to apply

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Registrations Open **from 23<sup>rd</sup> October** at

[www.cultures.ae](http://www.cultures.ae)

[www.dubai-solar.org](http://www.dubai-solar.org)

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