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## ANNOUNCEMENT OF A CREATIVE COMPETITION

### The Competition

**“WHAT REFORMATION DO WE NEED TODAY AND HOW CAN IT BE ACHIEVED?”**

Choose one main answer or idea you have on this question. It can be as free as you like. Explain and present it in a creative way to the internet community, for example as a text, video, song, speech, picture. It should not be longer than 1 A4 page or 5 minutes video.

### Background

#### **a) The reformation jubilee for the Lutheran World Federation (LWF)**

October 31 in 1517 is considered to mark the start of the Lutheran Reformation that brought about many new insights into understanding of being a Christian. With the commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation the LWF aims to:

- explore the meaning of the Lutheran identity
- strengthen the communion among the member churches
- strengthen the ecumenical commitment
- increase justice, peace and reconciliation

#### **b) The “Global Young Reformers network”**

This program aims to build a strong network among young people and meaningful contributions for the Lutheran churches. It will be built by young Lutherans within the context of reformatory heritage, Lutheran identity and today’s global connectivity.

The 500th anniversary of the reformation remembers a major change effort carried out by people who listened to the Word of God, questioned themselves and their context and were courageous to stand up for change. Young Christians today look for places and churches where this impetus of the reformation is present – and not just maintenance of tradition. As an *ecclesia semper reformanda*, we are a church that needs constant reformation. The Global Young Reformers Network will be launched in 2014.



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### **The Award- What can you gain?**

Contribute your ideas to the global community and be invited to Wittenberg for one week!

You will become a creative advisor for the planning committee of the “Global Young Reformers Network”. This group of 7 young Lutherans from all over the world will prepare global Lutheran youth activities until 2017. You are fully invited to join their first meeting in Wittenberg in autumn 2013. You will get to know the city, reformation history and stay with an international youth group.

### **The Criteria- Who is accepted?**

- You are between 18 and 30 years
- You are able to speak, understand and present your idea in English
- You like to mutually discuss, engage, contribute and commit in an international team
- You are related to a Christian church
- You join the online preparation and attend the meeting from September 26 to October 1, 2013 in Wittenberg, Germany and advise the follow up until 2014
- You fill in the online application, describe your motivation and send it in together with your entry until June 25

### **The Process- How does it work?**

1. Fill in the [online application](#)
2. Send your full presentation to [lwfyouth@lutheranworld.org](mailto:lwfyouth@lutheranworld.org) until June 25, 2013
3. The first Jury in the LWF Communion Office will select the 15 most convincing entries that will be presented online.
4. The internet audience of the LWF Youth will online vote for the best two entries until July 30.
5. The two winners will be informed in early August to participate in the Young Reformers Network Steering group in Wittenberg as creative advisors

We are waiting for your entries.

Good luck and God's blessings,

***The Youth Desk Team of the Lutheran World Federation***