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**The Anna Lindh Foundation has launched a short story competition "The Sea of Words" 2016**

The Anna Lindh Foundation and the European Institute for the Mediterranean (IEMED) have opened - for the ninth year in a row - an international competition for the short story, entitled "The Sea of Words", that calls for submission of inputs by young authors (between 18 and 30 years old) from 42 countries from the Euro-Mediterranean region.

Short stories should be focused on "Combating all forms of violence against women", in line with the proposal of the European Parliament in order to contribute to enhancing dialogue between people through the exchange of knowledge and experience that is summed up in their diversity.

The competition is aimed at stories through which the authors present different experiences and views on various forms of gender-based violence and discrimination in different societies, in order to challenge established patterns of relations and improve them.

The short story must not have been published so far, it should not be longer than 2.500 words and may be written in one of the official languages of the countries of the Euro-Mediterranean region.

The deadline for submitting the story is June 2, 2016.

For more information, please contact the following link: [iemed.org](http://iemed.org)