



# MONDIAL DES VINS EXTREMES – 2017 Edition n. 25

Aosta Valley - Itay - 6th-8th July 2017

Dear Producer,

I am very pleased to invite you to the MONDIAL DES VINS EXTREMES 2017 which is organised by CERVIM (Research and Coordinating Centre for the Protection, Promotion and Enhancement of Mountain Viticulture) in collaboration with the Aosta Valley Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources, the Aosta Valley vine growers association (Vival Vda), and the Aosta Valley section of the Italian sommelier association (under the sponsorship of the International Organization of Vine and Wine (OIV).

This is the issue n. 25 of the Competition which represents for CERVIM not only a prestigious aim, but also a major stimulus to continue to work with greater commitment to the safeguarding and enhancement of heroic viticulture, of which the Competition is one of the strategic activities.

The tasting committees, composed of oenologists, technicians and international journalists, will meet in Aosta Valley from  $6^{th}$  to  $8^{th}$  July 2017 for the judging sessions.

The Ceremony Awards of the Mondial des Vins Extrêmes will take place on November 26<sup>th</sup> in the Fort of Bard (Aosta Valley - Italy).

The announcement of the award-winning wines will be given during a special ceremony organised by CERVIM in the context of "Vins Extrêmes" the international exhibition dedicated to the extremes wines (25-26 November 2017). In this occasion, all the award-winning wines will be available for a wine-tasting event open to the public in a specially set tasting area.

This event can be considered the most important international wine competition for wines produced in mountain steep sloping, terraced areas or on small islands and its aim is to promote wine production in these regions, which are characterized by orographic constraints but also by rare wines possessing extraordinary features.

Like in the previous editions, you can register through the online enrolment procedure by accessing at a new website <a href="http://www.mondialvinsextremes.com/en">http://www.mondialvinsextremes.com/en</a>. In case you don't have internet access, please contact the Secretariat's office, by calling the phone number below, and staff shall register you directly.

For further information, please contact CERVIM's Secretariat at: Fraz. Chateau, 3 - 11010 Aymavilles (AO) – Italy (phone +39 0165 902451, e-mail <a href="mailto:segreteria@cervim.it">segreteria@cervim.it</a>).

I take the opportunity to extend to you my kindest regards and my deepest appreciation for the invaluable work you carry out to support mountain and steeply sloping areas.

THE PRESIDENT Roberto Gaudio

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# TERMS OF REGISTRATION

### **WINES ADMITTED TO THE COMPETITION**

Only wines produced from vineyards which permanently feature one or more of the following structural issues will be admitted to the Mondial des Vins Extrêmes:

- Altitude above 500 metres a.s.l., excluding vineyards on high plateaus;
- Slopes with terrain gradients greater than 30%;
- Vines grown on terraces and embankments;
- Vines grown on small islands.

#### **THE AWARDS**

Each wine enrolled into the competition is evaluated by a judging committee. Selected wines will be awarded:

- a silver medal from 85 to 89,99 points
- a gold medal from 90 to 93,99 points
- a grand gold medal from 94 to 100 points.

As established by the rules of the OIV (International Organization of Vine and Wine), the total amount of awards assigned must not exceed 30% of the total number of samples enrolled into the competition.

**The 2017 "CERVIM Special Prize"** will be awarded to the winery (from each participating country) with the top score, that is the total of the highest scores obtained by three wines entered in three different categories that have a score of at least 80 points out of 100.

**The 2017 "CERVIM Grand Prize"** will be awarded to the wine that obtains the best overall score.

A special Prize will be awarded to the best wine of each participating country with at least 8 wineries enrolled.

**The 2017 "CERVIM Futuro Prize"** will be awarded to the winery whose owner or associate is 35 years old or younger and whose wine obtains the best score. In order to participate, you must send a copy of your ID card or a copy of the details of your company's registration with the competent authorities.

**The 2017 "CERVIM Bio Prize"** will be awarded to the top-scoring **organic or biodynamic wine**, entered in any of the categories available for submission. This prize will be awarded only if at least 5 wineries participate by enrolling their wines.

The 2017 "CERVIM small islands Prize" will be awarded to the top-scoring wine produced on small islands. Again, this prize will be awarded only if at least 5 wineries enrol their wines.

The 2017 "CERVIM'S Women" Prize will be awarded to the winery whose owner or associate is a women and whose wine obtains the best score. In order to participate, you must send a copy of the details of your company's registration with competent authorities

**The 2017 "Mondial des Vins Extrêmes Prize"** will be awarded to the wine-growing area that enters the highest number of wines in the competition.

## **New for this year:**

A New Prize 2017 "CERVIM Original" will also be awarded to the to the top scoring wine produced from a grape variety "on own roots" (not grafted). This prize will be awarded only if at least 5 wineries take part with their wines.





## **TERMS OF PARTICIPATION**

Enrolment must be made only through CERVIM's website <a href="www.mondialvinsextremes.com/en">www.mondialvinsextremes.com/en</a> . Producers who do not have access to the Internet can register by filling out the paper form, available by contacting the Secretariat's office.

However, we remind you that in order for the **online registration** to be **valid and effective**, each producer must send the following items **no later than 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2017** for each sample entered in the competition:

- Six (6) bottles of wine from the same lot containing 750 ml or, for sweet and fortified wines only, 9 bottles containing 500 ml or 12 bottles containing 375 ml. All bottles must be fully labelled;
- A copy of the documentation showing payment of the 70 Euro fee for each of the first two wines entered, 60 Euro fee for additional entries up to the fifth one and thereafter 55 Euro fee for each further entry, all bank charges are to be paid entirely by the sender;
- To celebrate the 25<sup>th</sup> edition of the Competition, this year, each group of 5 Wine presented, the sixth will be free.
- the entry form, the sampling record, the personal data consent form obtained from printing the online enrolment form, together with the certificate of analysis, data sheets describing the wine, proof of DOP certification and three (3) front labels and three (3) back labels;
- All documents must be packed in one of the wine cartons, on which it should be clearly written "CONTIENE DOCUMENTI" (containing documents), and then sent to: CERVIM c/o Cave des Onzes Communes loc. Urbains 3 11010 Aymavilles (AO) Italy.

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDERS:**

- All the wines already entered into previous editions of the International Mountain Wine Competition cannot be submitted again and therefore will not be accepted;
- The sampling record can be filled out by the owner of the winery as well, as a selfcertification;
- In order to compete for the 'Best Organic or Biodynamic Wine' Award, each producer must provide proof of wine certification issued by qualified certification authorities, to show eligibility. Any wine competing for this award which does not carry the above requested certification will not be considered;
- All charges, relating to banking and shipping, will be paid entirely by the sender. In the event that any fee or tax is unpaid, the wine samples will not be accepted and therefore they will be sent back to the sender;
- Certificates of analysis issued by the winery's internal laboratories will be accepted as well, provided that they show alcoholic strength and residual sugars;