**Xmas Edition 2012 RULES**

The 2012 Xmas Edition is a parallel contest organized by the “Eurovision Memories” Song Contest Corporation, an online contest dedicated entirely to the real Eurovision. The Xmas edition has similar rules just as EM, only a few changes occurred.

Exact details of the contest:

* Organized in December 2012
* Submissions Period began in October 2012 and ended in November 2012
* The Contest will contain 16 songs that are related to Xmas traditions or any other festivals related to the winter period.
* All songs will be randomly divided in two semifinals, each containing 8 songs. The semifinals shows will be organized in two different days.
* The top 4 countries that obtained the highest rank will advance straight to the Grand Final.
* The countries that obtained the 5th and 6th place from each Semifinal will advance to the “Golden Duel” Round. A special jury and the public will have the chance to vote. Top 2 most voted countries will advance straight to the Grand Final and will occupy the last places available.
* Countries that got the 7th and 8th place in the Semifinals will stop competing.
* The Grand Final will contain 10 songs.
* Every participant will vote in the Grand Final and will give the following points: 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,10,12.
* The country that got the highest score will be declared the winner and the Xmas song of the year.
* Every song must be sung in the native language and the length has to be below 5:00 minutes.
* If some of our participants have questions please write an email to the webmaster and organizer of the Xmas edition: florinsuciu@msn.com

