
The Annual awards of the Foundation for transparent regulations have been bestowed for transparency and partnership in the work of the regional and municipal administrations in Bulgaria for an eighth year in a row at an official ceremony on 7 July 2016.

Petya Donova – Manager of the Foundation for transparent regulations, an organizer and event host, opened the ceremony with the words: “We are proud to be amongst the pioneers in Europe who “embraced” the Innovation and good management strategy of the Council of Europe and started to popularize and promote its applying.

There were a record-breaking number of regional administrations participating in the contest this year. The organizers received many congratulations for persisting to give the award every year. The adviser to the minister of regional development and public works Evgeni Chachev, member of the rating committee, stated that the Foundation is already leading in applying of the Third Action Plan of Bulgaria for participation in the Global Initiative “Partnership for open governance”, approved yesterday by the Government.

The adviser in the Political bureau to the Prime-minister and official guest at the ceremony awarded the winner in category “Best partnership practice between regional administration and civil society structures” – Smolyan Regional Administration with record-breaking votes for the practice “Art in support of life”. Governor of Smolyan Region Nedyalko Slavov was happy to receive the award and declared that this is the best present for his name-day.

Former Deputy Minister of regional development and public works and Mayor of Mezdra municipality from 1999 till 2014 Ivan Asparuhov, chairman of the rating committee, bestowed the prize on the most transparent regional administrations – Blagoevgrad, Shumen and Montana.

Burgas Regional Administration owned the statuette of the Foundation for ever after having won the award of the Foundation for transparent regulations for three years in a row. In the contest this year it won 2nd place.