

FEPA Medal 2018 for exceptional service to organized philately

PEDRO MARÇAL VAZ PEREIRA (Portugal)

Pedro Vaz Pereira has been chairing the Philatelic Federation of Portugal since 1987 and also served as FEPA President from 2001-2009. As an outstanding collector and student of Portuguese philately, and author of important publications and exhibits, he has led the organisation of a large number of important exhibitions, at national and international level: among them, the unforgettable Portugal 2010 in Lisbon. His international career has been constantly marked by enthusiasm and dedication in favour of European philately, testified by FEPA NEWS, which he relaunched in 2002 transforming a small photocopied bulletin issued now and then into the present magazine.

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MODESTO FRAGUAS HERRERA (Spain)

Mr. Modesto Fraguas Herrera, currently Director of Philately of the Spanish Post, has always provided a remarkable support for Philately. Since 2000 he has been engaged in the development and the organisation of four FIP exhibitions and eight exhibitions with FEPA sponsorship. His efforts in huge program of philately in schools should also be highlighted.

FEPA Medal 2018 for Exceptional Philatelic Study and Research

KÁROLY SZÜCS (Hungary) for "Fiscal Philately of Hungary".

This colourful work is a comprehensive handbook and price catalogue in 400 pages of all fiscal stamps issues of the Austro-Hungarian Empire until the Compromise in 1867 and continues with the Hungarian issues from 1867 to fill the gap in English language literature in philatelic knowledge on this topic. It is a result of extraordinary long and deep research of the author.

FEPA Certificate of Appreciation 2018 for outstanding activities for the promotion of philately

Associazione Italiana Storia Postale (AISP), Italy

Since its foundation in 1966, AISP has been the leading Italian society for postal historians, gathering over the years, the most famous scholars, collectors and exhibitors from Italy and abroad. The knowledge AISP continues to spread through its large library, its recurring seminars which have recently started to be broadcasted, the biannual journal *Cursores*, its website presenting news and studies, as well as its high-quality postal history exhibitions and seminars.

Stavanger Filatelist-Klub (SFK), Norway

SFK is a successful and active club, to the point that the number of members has slightly but steadily increased over the last years and attendance at the meetings has doubled in the same timeframe. SFK's own journal, *Den Blaa Hawaii* is considered one of the best club journals in the country. The Club has organised several local and national stamp exhibitions in the Stavanger area; among them, the successful Nordia 2008 co-organised in close co-operation with two neighbouring clubs.

National Club of Collectors of the Registration Labels and Stamps, Poland

This club has a long tradition and has been active in Poland for 28 years. A special achievement of the Club is the editorial activity, documented by the issue of *The World of R* club bulletin that has received high awards at philatelic exhibitions in Poland. In addition, members of the Club have developed and published several catalogues and publications on registration labels and stamps, bringing a valuable contribution to cataloguing of the Polish registration items.

The Philatelic Society of Ljubljana, Slovenia

The Society has played an important role in spreading philatelic knowledge and attracted many younger people to stamp collecting. It has organised several major exhibitions. Some of its members have appeared in various printed and electronic media regarding philately thus reaching vast audience. Several members are active at national, regional and international level. It has tradition of more than 30 years of issuing publications.