## Report

14<sup>th</sup> Students' History Competition for the Academic Year 2012/2013 organised by the Estonian History and Social Science Teachers' Association's for the Prizes of the President of the Republic of Estonia

## Estonia's road to democracy

On the 12<sup>th</sup> of May, 2012 President Toomas Hendrik Ilves announced the 14<sup>th</sup> history competition and flyers were sent out to all schools in Estonia informing them about the competition with the topic, requirements and information about training; We spread information about the competition in our special newspaper for teachers 'Õpetajate Leht', on the homepage of the Estonian History Teachers' Association and on the lists of the teachers of history and social studies of the counties of Estonia.

On 30<sup>th</sup> October, 2012 there was an information seminar organised in Tartu for the students and tutors of the competition. It comprised of lectures by historians and instructions on how to collect materials and write a research paper. 40 teachers and 49 students participated.

All in all, 76 entries from 78 students were sent to the competition this year. 30 papers of them came from the basic school level and 46 from the upper secondary school/gymnasium level. 29 schools were represented in the competition. 42 teachers from basic schools, upper secondary schools, special activity groups and schools supervised the papers.

In all 14 competitions we received a total of 1,462 research papers sent in by 1,806 students.

The award ceremony was held in Tartu on 18 May, 2013 in the hall of the Ministry of Education and Science.

## **Basic school**

The winner was not announced

The second placeThe third placeThe third place
Anett Altmäe "Life after Siberia", Kadrina Gymnasium, 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

Kristin Avans "Students cards 1945 – 2012", Võru Kretzwaldi

Gymnasium, 9th grade.

The third place- Karl- Richard Sänna "Presidents of the Republic of Estonia speeches

1992 - 2013", Võru Kesklinna Gymnasium, 9<sup>th</sup> grade.

## **High School (Gymnasium)**

The winner was not announced

The second place- Kristel Lusik ,, The consolidation of democracy in local area", Pärnu

Hansagymnasium, 10<sup>th</sup> grade.

The third place- Mariann Rei "Petseri region 1920 – 1921", Valga Gymnasium, 12<sup>th</sup>

grade

The third place- Elmet Ekker ,, Kreutzwald street in Võru nowadays and in the past by

V. Raidaru poem "Riga Street", Võru Kreutzwaldi Gymnasium, 12th

grade.

This year the event was sponsored by the Ministry of Education and Science of Estonia. Monetary awards for the competition were given by the Cultural Foundation of the President, the book rewards by the Ministry of Education and Science.

The best ones were also rewarded by the Ministry of Defense and the 20th August Club.

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