## **Report 2012/13 History Competition in Latvia**

The Award Ceremony took place in Riga, in The House of Blackheads, the State presidents' residence, on 25 May, 2013. The competition in Latvia took place for the 12th time. The theme of this competition was "The history of education in Latvia".

There were 135 research works this year, the authors were 165 students of all districts of Latvia. The advisers were 67 teachers who helped the students in their research.

The topics chosen by participants were different: the history of their native schools, the biographies of outstanding teachers, the changes in the development of educational politic during different political regimes. The participants investigated conditions of learning, compared schoolbooks, pupils' school uniforms through centuries. They made some models of school buildings, films, games.

The Award ceremony was really emotional. Most of the pupils hadn't been in The House of Blackheads before. The State president of Latvia Andris Bērziņš greeted all participants and gave awards winners. All participants were presented diplomas and books of sponsors – different museums (Latvian National History Museum, The Museum of Occupation, The Latvian Popular Front Museum) and publishing houses (Zvaigzne ABC, Jumava, Madris).

The list of the winners of competition "History of education in Latvia" 2012/2013

	The author	The title of research work
1. place	Anastasija Smirnova (19)	Women's Education – one of activities of The Women's organisations in Latvia in 1920 -30s
1.	Karīna Zaharāne (18)	The various historical sources – reflections of The Third awakening in Tukuma Grammar school no.1 (19861991.)
1.	Madara Brenčeva (17)	The school pupils' style of dressing in Madona and neighbourhood from the end of 19th century till 30s in 20th century
2. place	Linda Magone (17)	The winners of Gold medals in Valmieras Grammar school no.1 (19501989.)

2.	Viktorija Švabe (19)	The Polish Grammar school in Daugavpils during Soviet regime
3. place	Anita Kardele (15)	I want to learn in the Grammar school!
3.	Beāte Muceniece (18)	Piksāru primary school(18761964.)
3.	Enija Skeltona (16)	The changing school

Inese Berga, coordinator of the competition