

2008 “Serbian Research in Action for Peace Essay Competition”¹

Results

The OSCE received a total of 16 essays from 15 participants all of which were accepted after it was established that they had met all formal criteria as outlined in the Public Call. The Selection Panel received the essays anonymously and provided their evaluation in accordance with a pre-set list of criteria. The essays were marked on their structure, quality of arguments, and analysis provided. The ranking of the essays was established through the sum of scores provided by each evaluator.

Grand Prize 1: Ms. Milena Savić (52.00 points) – Internship at the UK Defense Academy May-August 2008

Grand Prize 2: Mr. Novak Pešić (43.50 points) – Internship at the UK Defense Academy August- December 2008

Award for Excellence: Ms. Nikolina Trivunović (43.67 points) – 1000 EUR cash award

Young Scholar Prize: Ms. Vanja Rokvić (30.50 points) – 500 EUR cash award

The Selection Panel consisted of the following persons:

1. Ms. Anne Aldis, UK Defence Academy
2. Ms. Jasmina Glišić, independent expert
3. Mr. Vladimir Bilandžić, OSCE
4. Ms. Snežana Vukša, OSCE

Essays written in Serbian were eligible for the second and third prize only. Considering that the essay with the second highest number of scores was written in Serbian, its author received the Award for Excellence (1000 EUR). At the same time the essay that was ranked third according to the number of points, has received the second Grand Prize (Internship in the UK Defense Academy) as it was the second best essay written in English.

Special thanks to Ms Jelena Petrović, who submitted two outstanding essays which scored 48,5 and 44,75 points respectively. Ms Petrović has already participated in the Internship Programme to the UK Defense Academy and could therefore not receive an official award within this competition. Both Essays have been made public in the attached document.

The winning essays can be found at the OSCE Mission to Serbia Democratization Department's web-page: <http://www.osce.org/serbia/13167.html>.

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