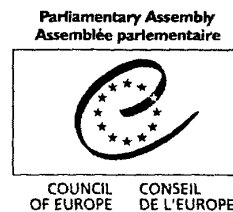


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50th anniversary of the Europe Prize – Stocktaking and prospects

Report
Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs
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Summary

The Europe Prize celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2005. This Prize, awarded by the Assembly every year, rewards the efforts of European municipalities to promote the ideal of European unity. 61 municipalities have been rewarded so far. Since the 1990s, an increasing number of applications from Central and Eastern European countries were sent to the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs, responsible for selecting the winning towns. The promotion of the Europe Prize should nevertheless be developed as it remains an excellent way of encouraging European co-operation between towns and forging closer ties between the citizens of the Greater Europe promoted by the Council of Europe.

I. Draft resolution

1. In 2005, the Europe Prize celebrated its 50th anniversary. Several events, organised by the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs and attended by representatives from the prize-winning towns, marked this occasion: a solemn sitting took place in Strasbourg in the Assembly Chamber on 22 June 2005 on the occasion of the Assembly's part-session, and a commemorative ceremony was held in Santiago de Compostela, winner of the Europe Prize in 1985, on 1-2 July 2005. In addition, an art book presenting all the prize winning towns since 1955 was published by the Parliamentary Assembly on that occasion.

2. The Europe Prize was established by Assembly Recommendation 53 (1953), ratified by the Committee of Ministers on 20 June 1955, and is awarded every year by the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs to a European local authority which has made the most notable efforts to promote the ideal of European unity. In addition to the Europe Prize itself, three other distinctions are awarded each year: the European Diploma, the Flag of Honour and the Plaque of Honour. Of increasing importance, they precede the award of the Europe Prize.

3. The large number of awards made in the 50 years of the Europe Prize's existence (61 Europe Prizes, 175 Plaques of Honour, 1,033 Flags of Honour and 585 European Diplomas), bears witness to the success of this initiative and its interest for European local authorities.

4. Although a disparity still exists between the number of applications coming from the centre of Europe, where enthusiasm for twinning schemes is greater, and those coming from the periphery, each year the Committee is receiving more and more applications from the countries of central and eastern Europe.

5. The Assembly recognises the work done by its Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs, responsible for the selection and awarding of the Europe Prize and other distinctions, as well as the activities of the "Association of Towns Awarded the Europe Prize".

6. It also pays special tribute to the members and former members of the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize, who have attended award ceremonies in so many European municipalities over the years.

7. In addition, in view of the representative nature, role and competences of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe, the Assembly wishes to associate it more closely with the promotion of the Europe Prize and with the work of the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize.

8. Consequently, the Assembly decides to:

8.1. make the Europe Prize better known by publishing the booklet on the Prize in a number of additional languages;

8.2. amend the Europe Prize rules in order to restrict the granting of the different awards to European municipalities;

8.3. consider, when examining its opinion on the expenditure of the Assembly for the 2007 financial year, increasing the amount of the scholarship, which is part of the Europe Prize and was set at 7,600 euros in 1997, to 10,000 euros;

8.4. invite the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe, and more particularly its Chamber of Local Authorities, to promote the Europe Prize among its members and among national associations of local authorities;

8.5. invite the President of the Chamber of Local Authorities of the Congress to take part in the meetings of the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize and in the Europe Prize award ceremonies in the winning towns.

II. Explanatory memorandum by Mr Guy Lengagne

1. Background

1. Now that the Europe Prize is celebrating its 50th anniversary, it seems necessary to recall its origins and its development during that half-century.
2. In 1953, the Parliamentary Assembly adopted Recommendation 53 (see Appendix 1), presented by the then Special Committee on Municipal and Regional Affairs, with a view to making an award – the Europe Prize – to the municipality which had made the most notable efforts to propagate the ideal of European unity.
3. The Committee of Ministers ratified this recommendation on 20 June 1955, when it adopted a resolution declaring that the Assembly committee should itself award the Prize. An Assembly sub-committee was instructed to prepare rules on the Prize, and these rules, slightly amended over the years, still govern the selection of winners.
4. The large number of applicants soon made it necessary to add another type of award to the Europe Prize, and the Flag of Honour, which is still the most highly valued of the awards, and the one which attracts most media attention, was accordingly established in 1961.
5. In 1986, when the Prize celebrated its 30th anniversary, the Committee on the Environment, Regional Planning and Local Authorities submitted a report on the scheme to the Assembly, which then instructed it, in Resolution 862(1986) (see Appendix 2), to make a detailed review of the rules on the Europe Prize and the Flags of Honour, which had been amended on 6 October 1971, and update them.
6. This led to the introduction of two further, intermediate awards: the European Diploma and the Plaque of Honour, on 11 March 1988.
7. Since then, the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs has been making four annual awards which are, in ascending order of importance:

The European Diploma
The Flag of Honour
The Plaque of Honour
The Europe Prize

2. Description of the four awards

2.1. *The European Diploma*

8. This is the first step in selecting prize winners. Between 30 and 40 diplomas are awarded yearly. The Diploma – a parchment bearing the municipality's name and the date of the award – is presented to the mayors of winning towns at an *official ceremony, which is held at the Palais de l'Europe in Strasbourg* during the Assembly's 3rd part-session (June). Since 1988, when the first Diploma was awarded, there have been 585 winners.

2.2. *The Flag of Honour*

9. The Flag, which is embroidered and fringed with gold, is the most popular award and an essential step towards the Plaque of Honour and the Europe Prize. Over 1,000 flags have been awarded since 1961 (20 to 30 every year). A member of the Parliamentary Assembly presents the Flag to the winning authority at a *municipal ceremony open to a wide public*.

2.3. The Plaque of Honour

10. The upper part features a representation in brass of the Rape of Europa, the central part the 12 stars of the European flag with the year of the award, and the lower part a stylised map of Greater Europe. It is presented to the winning authority by a member of the Parliamentary Assembly at a public ceremony. So far, there have been some 175 winners (8 to 10 every year).

2.4. The Europe Prize

11. This is the highest of the four awards, and was established in 1955 to reward outstanding efforts to promote the ideal of European unity. It goes to municipalities which have already won the Plaque and Flag. One or exceptionally two awards are made yearly, and there have been 61 winners so far (see Appendix 3). They receive a trophy (kept for a year), a bronze medal, a commemorative parchment and a scholarship, worth 7,600 euros, to fund study visits by young people to other European countries.

12. The Prize is presented by the President of the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly at a "European Day" ceremony, organised by the municipality and attended by the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize.

3. Selection

13. The selection procedure has hardly changed over the years.

14. The Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize receives applications from municipalities or local authorities in the member states. It examines them thoroughly during the Parliamentary Assembly's 2nd part-session (April), makes its choice, and submits it for approval and decision to the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs.

15. Over 300 files - some containing further information, others new applications - are submitted every year. To facilitate selection, and prevent the procedure from becoming too unwieldy (files sometimes run to several hundred pages), the Secretariat summarises them before passing them on to the Sub-Committee for decision.

4. Prize-winners

16. In the 50 years of its existence, the Prize has gone to capitals like Paris, Vienna and The Hague, but the Committee has often rewarded the efforts of small towns, eg Marvejols (France) and Cockermouth (United Kingdom) in 2000. However, all winners are twinned with one or more partners in other countries, and are actively developing their European contacts (see Appendix 4).

17. From the very beginning, enthusiasm for twinning has been greatest in the European heartland, and particularly Germany - which is why that country has submitted so many applications and featured relatively often on the list of winners. Countries in the far north or south of Europe usually have more trouble finding partners, essentially for geographical reasons. As a result, the Committee is particularly pleased to receive applications from those countries.

18. Since the 1990s, when the countries of Central and Eastern Europe joined the Council of Europe, the Committee has received a steadily increasing number of excellent files from Poland, Hungary, Romania and Russia. The care lavished on their presentation, and the copious information provided, are signs of the scheme's success in those countries.

5. Award ceremonies

5.1 European Diploma

19. The mayors of winning towns are invited to Strasbourg during the Assembly's 3rd part-session (June). For a whole day, they are able to familiarise themselves with the Council of Europe and attend the Assembly's debates, and the European Diploma is awarded to them solemnly at an

official sitting attended by the Secretary General and, whenever possible, the President of the Assembly.

20. This event, which costs relatively little, since travel and accommodation are not covered by the Council, has considerable impact, both on the mayors who come to Strasbourg (sometimes from very far away) and on the public in winning towns, since many mayors organise a special presentation ceremony on returning, or make sure that the award gets local press coverage.

5.2 The Flag of Honour

21. The winning towns are immediately informed of the Committee's decision, and asked to suggest a date for the award ceremony. The Flag is presented by a member of the Committee or another member (or honorary member) of the Assembly, at a public ceremony attended, if possible, by Assembly members from the country concerned.

22. The winners themselves determine the nature of the ceremony, but a Council of Europe memorandum suggests some possibilities: musical accompaniment by bands/orchestras and choirs, the European anthem, messages from the winner's twin towns or well-known people, participation by youth movements, etc.

23. The travel and subsistence expenses of the parliamentarian who presents the award are covered by the Parliamentary Assembly.

24. This is certainly the award which attracts most media coverage and does most to publicise the Council's work. The newspaper articles sent to the Secretariat afterwards reflect the public's interest, and some award ceremonies are attended by several thousand people, as recently happened in Poland and Turkey.

5.3 The Plaque of Honour

25. This is awarded to municipalities which already hold the Flag of Honour, and pursue their European activities in sustained and continuous fashion. The award ceremony is very similar to that for the Flag of Honour, which is why the Plaque is awarded only several years after the Flag, and on condition that the municipality concerned submits regular reports on its European activities.

26. The introduction of this intermediate award, in 1988, reduced the waiting time between the Flag and the Europe prize, and helped to mitigate the sense of frustration felt by many municipalities which had been applying unsuccessfully for the Prize, sometimes for many years.

5.4 The Europe Prize

27. The list of potential winners is extremely long, and the Committee's choice is by no means easy, particularly since – in spite of the high percentage of applications from Germany (nearly 40% of the whole) – a geographical balance throughout Europe needs to be respected.

28. Presentation of the Prize is a major event for the winning town, which is expected to spare no efforts in celebrating it. A "European Day" must be arranged, with a solemn session of the municipal council, attended by members of the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize, and a public event to which the people of the town are invited.

29. Although large towns have more funds at their disposal, small towns often organise the most heartfelt ceremonies, and involve locals most effectively.

30. In recent years, the Prize has gone several times to countries in central and Eastern Europe, which certainly explains the growing number of applications from those countries.

6. The Association of Towns Awarded the Europe Prize

31. It was at the ceremony for award of the Europe Prize to Graz (Austria) in 1982 that the representatives of the winning towns decided to set up an association to pool their experience of promoting European relations. The Association was founded in 1984.

32. Operating under Council of Europe auspices, it sets out to foster closer ties between its members by studying questions of mutual interest. There are regular conferences, seminars and colloquies. The Association has an elected President, and the Secretary General of the Council of Europe and the Chair of the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs are automatic members of its Council, and entitled to send representatives to its meetings.

33. The current President is the Mayor of Tübingen.

7. 50th anniversary of the Europe Prize

34. The Assembly was anxious to celebrate this anniversary with all due solemnity. A commemorative ceremony was accordingly held in the Chamber on 22 June 2005, in the occasion of the parliamentary session in Strasbourg. Speakers included the President of the Assembly, Mr René van der Linden, the Chair of the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize, Mr Guy Lengagne, the President of the Association of Towns Awarded the Europe Prize, Ms Brigitte Russ-Scherer, Mayor of Tübingen (Germany), which won the Prize in 1965, and Mr Xosé-Antonio Sánchez Bugallo, Mayor of Santiago de Compostela (Spain), which won in 1985.

35. This ceremony was followed, on 1-2 July, by a special celebration at Santiago de Compostela, hosted by the town – which was also celebrating the 20th anniversary of its winning the Prize - and the Spanish parliamentary delegation.

36. The ceremony was attended by representatives of the winning towns and the Committee on the Environment, Agriculture and Local and Regional Affairs, which is responsible for making the award. There was a solemn sitting, attended by, among others, Mr Claudio Azzolini, Vice-President of the Assembly, Mr Walter Schmied, Chair of the Committee, Mr Fraga Iribarne, President of the Government of Galicia, the Mayor of Santiago de Compostela, Mr Yavuz Mildon, Vice-President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe, and the President of the Association of Towns awarded the Europe Prize.

37. The participants held a colloquy on "50 years of the Europe Prize: history of co-operation between European towns and future prospects", and a commemorative trophy (a replica of the Prize trophy), and an art book featuring the 61 winning towns, specially published for the occasion, were presented to the winners. A bronze commemorative plaque was also unveiled at the start of the urban section of the Santiago de Compostela pilgrim route.

8. Modifying or improving the Europe Prize scheme

8.1 More publicity

38. As we have seen, some countries rarely apply. How can we get through to mayors in those countries and encourage them to do so?

39. Several attempts to do this have been made, with varying degrees of success:

39.1. Assembly parliamentarians have been asked to publicise the scheme in their constituencies;

39.2. information bulletins have been sent to associations of local authorities and to national delegations to the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe;

39.3. parliamentarians presenting the Prize have been asked to encourage the mayors of the winners' twin towns, who often attend the ceremony, to apply in their turn.

40. But the results have sometimes been disappointing, and the publicity given the scheme by parliamentarians presenting the awards has often done most to encourage potential applicants. Indeed, a successful presentation ceremony often holds the key to winning other mayors over.

41. In 2000, the Council of Europe decided to publish a booklet on the Europe Prize for would-be applicants, and this is now sent to them with the questionnaire.

42. This booklet is currently available in four languages: French, English, German and Italian. A Spanish version will be coming out shortly. Publishing further language versions might well achieve a more direct impact on other towns and communities.

8.2 *More awards every year?*

43. Increasing the number of Flags of Honour awarded might be considered, as a way of ensuring that some applicants are not kept waiting too long. But the cost to the Assembly's limited budget might be high, and staff shortages in the Committee secretariat might make more awards hard to manage.

8.3 *Increasing the amount of the scholarship awarded to the Europe Prize town*

44. The amount stands at 7,600 euros, and has not increased since 1997. It is intended to cover a study journey for one or two young people from the winning town. To bring it into line with the rising cost of living, an increase to 10,000 euros is suggested.

8.4 *Associating the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe with the Europe Prize*

45. On several occasions, the Congress has expressed a wish to be associated with the work of the Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize. Here, it should be noted that several applications have resulted from the efforts of Congress members. Recently, the Presidents of the Congress again raised this matter with the Commission. Congress participation (details to be decided) at Sub-Committee meetings might perhaps be considered. Although selection of the prize-winners must remain a matter for the Assembly, the opinions of Congress members might be useful at the preparatory meetings.

9. Conclusion

46. In the last 50 years, the four Europe Prize awards have proved a formidably effective way of encouraging twinning schemes between municipalities. Although the older European countries, particularly Germany and France, were the first to be honoured, the interest which the Prize is now rousing in Central and Eastern Europe shows that the scheme has lost none of its appeal or utility.

47. At the start of this 21st century, when events are shaking so many of our certainties, local government representatives and officials are demonstrating the importance of twinning schemes for European co-operation. Encouraging the development of those schemes, the Europe Prize remains an ideal way of forging closer ties between the citizens of that Greater Europe which the Council of Europe is helping to build.

APPENDIX 1

RECOMMENDATION 53 [1]

on the best means whereby the national or international bodies connected with local government and the local authorities themselves may help in the propagation of the European idea

The Assembly,

Considering it to be of the highest importance that local communities and their representatives should be associated with the establishment of European unity and, in particular, with the propagation of the cause of European unity,

Recommends that the Committee of Ministers take the necessary steps to ensure :

(a) that the conception of "communal interest", the legal basis for the intervention of local authorities in political matters, should be interpreted broadly by the Ministries concerned and, more specifically, that these Ministries should not oppose any action taken by the municipalities whenever it conforms with the declared principles of the policy of their Governments, such as are laid down in the Preamble and in Article 1 of the Statute of the Council of Europe ;

(b) That the Ministries concerned should in no way obstruct but should, on the contrary, encourage the local authorities to give material and financial assistance to pro-European activities and, whenever possible, support local action, in particular by subsidising such activities as the establishment or maintenance of centres of European studies or the organisation of "Europe Days";

(c) That they should authorise and facilitate the establishment of permanent relations and, if need be, organic links among municipalities of different Member countries ;

(d) that the Secretariat-General be empowered to extend all possible assistance to the national and international associations of local authorities and to the communities themselves in connection with "pairings", inter-municipal meetings and, in general, all schemes for closer relations between the local authorities of member countries ; and, in particular, that it be provided with the necessary funds for :

(i) the preparation of a document on the "pairing" of municipalities and its distribution to European municipalities seeking to, or in a position to, pair with another ;

(ii) the annual award of a European Prize to the municipality which has done most to propagate the ideal of European unity ;

(iii) the holding of periodical meetings of a permanent Working Party, composed of members of the Special Committee on Municipal and Regional Affairs, and representatives of the national associations of local authorities.

[1]. This Recommendation was adopted by the Assembly at its twenty-second Sitting, on 24th September, 1953 (see Doc. 210, Report of the Special Committee on Municipal and Regional Affairs).

APPENDIX 2

Resolution 862 (1986) ¹

on thirty years of the Europe Prize

The Assembly,

1. Having regard to the Europe Prize, instituted according to Recommendation 53 (1953) of the Assembly and endorsed by the Committee of Ministers on 20 June 1955, awarded each year to the European municipality which has done most to propagate the ideal of European unity ;
2. Also having regard to the Council of Europe Flags of honour, awarded each year to European municipalities for their commitment to European co-operation ;
3. Believing that the Europe Prize and the Flags of honour are an outstanding means of propagating the European ideal, and that they constitute excellent publicity for the Council of Europe as a whole by obtaining considerable coverage in the media in a particular region of a member state ;
4. Welcoming the creation of the "Association of Towns awarded the Europe Prize", operating under the auspices of the Council of Europe, which aims at achieving greater unity among its members by exchanging information and discussing topics of common interest such as twinnings, exchanges, European events, European solidarity ;
5. Noting that, by 1986, 40 cities have obtained the Europe Prize and 550 local authorities the Flag of honour, but that another 300 candidates for the Prize and 200 candidates for the Flag constitute a considerable potential for promoting better relations amongst people in Europe ;
6. Concerned by the increasing number of municipalities which, although they have received the Flag of honour, have no real chance to obtain the Europe Prize, thus creating feelings of discouragement and frustration amongst them ;
7. Observing that the documentation sent by local authorities to the Council of Europe over the past thirty years constitutes a unique source of European history, since it records in great detail the progress of European co-operation at the level of the European citizens ;
8. Preoccupied by the fact that, for political and historical reasons, twinning enthusiasm is much greater in the centre than on the periphery of Europe, which explains why the large majority of Flags of honour and Europe Prizes have been awarded to municipalities in the geographical centre of Europe ;
9. Recalling the importance it attaches to the organisation of the award ceremonies, which should be genuinely public, have a true European character and bring together the greatest possible number of citizens ;
10. Bearing in mind the financial constraints of the Council of Europe budget, which require that local authorities share the expenses of the members of the Assembly who present the award,

¹ Text adopted by the Standing Committee, acting on behalf of the Assembly, on 3 July 1986.

See Doc. 5586, report of the Committee on the Environment, Regional Planning and Local Authorities.

11. Pay tribute to its Committee on the Environment, Regional Planning and Local Authorities for its efforts over thirty years for the promotion of the European ideal and the time spent by its members on awarding the Europe Prize and Flags of honour in so many European municipalities ;
12. Instructs the Committee on the Environment, Regional Planning and Local Authorities, through its Sub-Committee on the Europe Prize, to review in detail and update the regulations for the Europe Prize and Flags of honour, last amended by the committee on 6 October 1971, as well as the questionnaire for municipalities which are candidates, so as to find in particular new ways for the selection of the annual prize-winner, possibly by associating the public media ;
13. Resolves to continue to support fully the annual awards of the Europe Prize and the Flags of honour for the benefit of the European ideal ;
14. Calls on its members from the more peripheral regions of Europe to give wide publicity to the institution of the Europe Prize and the Flags of honour in their respective countries, and to this end invites the President of the Assembly to write to the heads of relevant national delegations drawing their attention to this resolution.

APPENDIX 3

LIST OF EUROPE PRIZE WINNERS

1955	COVENTRY	United Kingdom
1956	PUTEAUX and OFFENBACH	France and Germany
1957	BORDEAUX and TORINO	France and Italy
1958	WIEN and DEN HAAG	Austria and Netherlands
1959	ISTANBUL	Turkey
1960	BRUGGE and ÅRHUS	Belgium and Denmark
1961	RODOS and SCHWARZENBEK	Greece and Germany
1962	PALERMO	Italy
1963	AUBENAS	France
1964	INNSBRUCK	Austria
1965	TÜBINGEN	Germany
1966	KRISTIANSAND	Norway
1967	STRASBOURG	France
1968	FAENZA	Italy
1969	KARLSRUHE and NANCY	Germany and France
1970	SIERRE	Switzerland
1971	UDINE	Italy
1972	ZELZATE	Belgium
1973	WURZBURG	Germany
1974	CESENATICO and MACON	Italy and France
1975	DARMSTADT	Germany
1976	DEVON C.C.	United Kingdom
1977	AVIGNON	France
1978	TUBIZE	Belgium
1979	GRAZ	Austria
1980	PASSAU	Germany
1981	BRAUNFELS	Germany
1982	BRAINE-L'ALLEUD	Belgium
1983	LAUSANNE	Switzerland
1984	ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA	United Kingdom
1985	SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA	Spain
1986	KLAGENFURT and ARNHEM	Austria and Netherlands
1987	BERLIN-NEUKÖLLN	Germany
1988	AALBORG	Denmark
1989	LUCCA	Italy
1990	PLOUGUERNEAU	France
1991	BURSA	Turkey
1992	DELFIJL	Netherlands
1993	BOCHOLT and MÜLHEIM AN DER RUHR	Germany and Germany
1994	LINZ	Austria
1995	BOLOGNA	Italy
1996	WANSBECK	United Kingdom
1997	REGENSBURG	Germany
1998	CZESTOCHOWA	Poland
1999	SPEYER	Germany
2000	COCKERMOUTH and MARVEJOLS	United Kingdom and France
2001	St. PÖLTEN	Austria
2002	GDYNIA	Poland
2003	KLAIPEDA	Lithuania
2004	OUDENAARDE	Belgium
2005	KALININGRAD	Russia

APPENDIX 4

GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF THE VARIOUS AWARDS

AUSTRIA

EUROPE PRIZE

1958	WIEN
1964	INNSBRUCK
1979	GRAZ
1986	KLAGENFURT
1994	LINZ
2001	St. PÖLTEN

PLAQUE OF HONOR

1988	WIENER-NEUSTADT
1989	MAYRHOFEN
1990	LINZ
1998	KAPFENBERG
1999	ST POLTEN
2000	SCHLADMING
2004	TROFAIACH

FLAG OF HONOUR

1966	Modling
1968	Klagenfurt
1970	Graz
1971	Kapfenberg
1972	Feldbach, Linz
1973	Mayrhofen
1974	Alberndorf, Villach
1975	Wiener-Neustadt
1977	Admont
1978	Bad Aussee
1979	Schladming
1980	Grossarl, Kronstorf
1982	Obervellach
1983	Schwechat
1985	Alpbach, Hartberg, Matri
1986	Gleisdorf, Hall in Tirol, Haus im Ennstal
1987	Ringelsdorf-Niederabsdorf
1988	Wartberg an der Krems
1990	Wels
1991	Trieben
1992	St Leonhard am Forst
1993	Spittal an der Drau
1994	Neumarkt
1995	Hard
1996	St. Pölten
1997	St Georgen am Walde
1998	Gurk
1999	Liezen
2000	Trofaiach
2001	Dornbirn
2002	Reisseck
2003	Bruck an der Mur, Judenburg, Lannach

2004 Voitsberg

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1989	Wels
1990	St Leonhard am Forst, Trieben, Wildschönau
1991	Spittal an der Drau, Trumau
1992	Neumarkt
1993	Bruck an der Mur, St Georgen am Walde
1994	Hard
1995	Enns, St. Pölten
1997	Gurk, Liezen
1999	Trofaiach, Reisseck
2000	Wagna
2001	Judenburg, Lannach
2003	Voitsberg
2005	Bad Schallerbach, Feldkirchen i.K., Weiz

BELGIUM**EUROPE PRIZE**

1960	BRUGGE
1972	ZELZATE
1978	TUBIZE
1982	BRAINE-L'ALLEUD
2004	OUDENAARDE

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1988	TIELT
1989	BEERSEL
1990	SINT-NIKLAAS
1994	OUDENAARDE
1996	MONS
2002	AYWAILLE

FLAG OF HONOUR

1961	Anderlecht
1962	Deurne
1963	Montegnee
1964	Tielt
1965	Zelzate
1966	St. Niklaas Waas
1967	St. Gilles-lez-Bruxelles, Woluwe-St. Etienne
1969	Gand, Housse
1970	Tubize, Vilvoerde
1971	Ostende, Yvoir
1973	Yprès
1974	Braine-l'Alleud
1975	Frameries
1976	Olloy-sur-Viroin
1977	Uccle
1978	Rixensart
1979	Nieuwpoort, Seraing
1980	Middelkerke, Woluwe St. Lambert

1981	Antoing, Ekeren
1982	Beloeil, Hasselt
1983	Louvain, Oupeye
1984	Beersel, Brugelette, Ixelles, Westerlo
1985	Ferrieres, Koksijde, Pousset
1986	Anzegem, Aywaille, Diksmuide, Overijse
1987	De Pinte, Visé
1988	Charleroi, Eeklo
1989	Poperinge
1990	Etterbeek
1991	Oudenaarde
1992	Herve
1993	Esneux, Waterloo
1994	Mons
2001	Heusden-Zolder
2004	Halle

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1990	Comines-Europe, Essen, Huy
1991	Esneux, Genk, Herve
1993	Mons
2001	Dilbeek
2003	Evergem

BULGARIA

FLAG OF HONOUR

2001	Dobrich
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EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

2001	Svishtov
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CROATIA

FLAG OF HONOUR

2003	Zadar
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EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1994	Osijek
2002	Zadar

DENMARK

EUROPE PRIZE

1960	AARHUS
1988	AALBORG

FLAG OF HONOUR

1969	Gladsaxe
1984	Aalborg, Nakskov

FINLAND

FLAG OF HONOUR

1988	Kajaani
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FRANCE

EUROPE PRIZE

1956	PUTEAUX
1957	BORDEAUX
1963	AUBENAS
1967	STRASBOURG
1969	NANCY
1974	MACON
1977	AVIGNON
1990	PLOUGUERNEAU
2000	MARVEJOLS

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1988	ANGLLET, RAMBOUILLET
1989	BOURG-EN-BRESSE
1990	LIVRY-GARGAN
1991	DOUAI, JOUE-LES-TOURS et TROYES
1992	CROSNE et ORLEANS
1993	BAGNOLS/SUR/CEZE et BOURG-DE-PEAGE
1994	BRON et GUIPAVAS
1995	ERMONT, ISSY-LES-MOULINEAUX, MARVEJOLS
1996	MENNECY et MIRANDE
1997	CABOURG
1998	BACCARAT, QUIMPERLE, RENNES
1999	BRIVES-CHARENSAC
2000	FEYTIAT, ROMANS-SUR-ISERE, WATTRELOS
2001	COSNE-COURS-SUR-LOIRE, LANDERNEAU, DAMMARIE-LES-LYS
2002	Département du CALVADOS, CHÂLONS-EN-CHAMPAGNE
2003	MULHOUSE
2005	DREUX

FLAG OF HONOUR

1961	Macon, Veuilletes-sur-mer
1962	Colmar, Nancy
1963	Boulogne-Billancourt, Troyes
1964	Compiègne, Montolivet, Orléans
1965	Fontainebleau, Saint-Savin
1966	Aix-en-Provence
1967	Bourg-en-Bresse, Laronxe
1968	Arles, Avignon, Issy-les-Moulineaux
1969	Bagnols /Cèze, Meursault, Toulon

1970	Brest, Menton, Montélimar, Mulhouse
1971	Bourg-de-Péage, Chelles, Lillebonne, Rennes, Villepreux
1972	Marcq-en-Baroeul, Ruelle, Saint-Louis, Vienne
1973	Etrechy, Fécamp, Mirande, Oullins, Pontarlier
1974	Arzens, Barenton, Crépy-en-Valois, Perpignan, Pont-de-Beauvoisin, Quinsac-Village
1975	Paris, Privas, Salon-de-Provence, Tarare, Tourlaville
1976	Laxou, Maromme, Saint-Berthevin, Villeneuve-Saint-Georges, Vimoutiers
1977	Albertville, Epinal, Rambouillet, Sceaux
1978	Caen, Carcassonne, Couhe, Landiras, Thiais
1979	Chartres, Falaise, Saint-André, Sens, Suresnes
1980	Armentières, Meudon, Nogent-sur-Oise, Saint-Amand-les-Eaux
1981	Anglet, Douai, Livry-Gargan, Plouguerneau, Riom, Saint-Etienne-du-Bois, Saint-Sébastien-sur-Loire
1982	Draveil, Le Teil, Rumilly, Saint-Pol-sur-Ternoise, Sauveterre-de-Guyenne
1983	Landerneau, Deuil-la-Barre, Joué-les-tours, Manosque
1984	Bourth, Dept. du Calvados, Evry, Lille
1985	Bron, Eaubonne, Notre-Dame-de-Gravenchon, Roanne, Romans-sur-Isere, Plaisance-sur-Gers
1986	Cabourg, Chambon-Feugerolles, Crosne, Epinay, Feyzin, Joigny, Labuissière, Roubaix
1987	Beuvry, Château-Gontier, Clamart, Grand-Quevilly, Jarnac, Montmelian, Sainte-Foy-les-Lyon, Saint-Peray, Saumur
1988	Avranches, Baccarat, Condom, Ermont, Reichshoffen, Tain-L'Hermitage, Vernouillet
1989	Annonay, Joinville-le-Pont, Marvejols, Département de la Mayenne, Mennecy, Montbéliard, Saint-Priest, Saint-Etienne
1990	Châtellerault, La Roche-sur-Yon, Saint-Vallier-sur-Rhône, Vesoul
1991	Chamalières, Cluses, Guipavas, Nogent-sur-Marne
1992	Courbevoie, Feytiat, La Loupe
1993	Cestas, La Mezière, Quimperlé, Rouffach, Wattrelos
1994	Cesson-Sévigné, La Grande-Motte, L'Hôpital, Malzeville
1995	Bressuire, Evian-les-Bains, Isle, Le Puy-en-Velay, Saint-Jean-de-Braye, La Bouexière
1996	Brignoles, Brives-Charensac, Cosne Cours sur Loire, Rueil-Malmaison
1997	Blaye, Dreux, Vélizy-Villacoublay, Cran-Gévrier
1998	Châlons-en-Champagne, Lezoux
1999	Ambérieu-en-Bugey, Dammarie-les-Lys, Sisteron
2000	Chatelaillon-Plage, Chauray, Lorient
2001	Brioude, Tossiat
2002	Auzances, Saint-Ambroix, Melun
2003	Aubervilliers, Briennon, Gap, Quimper
2004	Charnay-les-Mâcon, Voiron, Wingen-sur-Moder
2005	Béziers, Boulogne-sur-Mer, Méru

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1989	Guipavas, Saint-André, Villeneuve-les-Sablons
1990	Bais, Chamalières, Fumel, Mondeville, Sucy-en-Brie
1991	Cachan, Courbevoie, Feytiat, La Grande Motte, La Loupe, Landivisiau, La Mézière, Laussonne
1992	Bourgogne, Cesson Sévigné, L'Hôpital, Locquenolé, Quimperlé, Saint-Laurent-d'Arcé
1993	Bressuire, Chaumont, Cosne Cours Sur Loire, Cosne d'Allier, La Bouexière, Isle, Vélizy-Villacoublay
1994	Bedarrides, Evian-les-Bains, Le Touquet, Lure, Marsac, Mondelange, Montgeron, Saint-Jean de Braye
1995	Ambérieu-en-Bugey, Blaye, Brignoles, Brives-Charensac, Cran-Gevrier, Dreux, Luynes, Rosny-sous-Bois

1996	Bellême, Châlons-en-Champagne, Chauray, Lezoux, Neufelize, Nouan-le-Fuzelier
1997	Ahuille, Montigny-le-Bretonneux, Villemomble
1998	Dammarié-Les-Lys, Sisteron, Tossiat
1999	Brioude, Cesson, Elancourt, Gap, Le Mée-sur-Seine, St Ambroix
2000	Auzances, Ceyrat, Halluin, Melun
2001	Briennon, Crest, L'Huisserie
2002	Aubervilliers, Quimper, Wingen-sur-Moder
2003	Département de l'Ain, Aÿ-Champagne, Charnay-lès-Mâcon, Jassans-Riottier
2004	Beaumont de Pertuis, Béziers, Châteaubernard, Communauté urbaine de Dunkerque, Méru, Raon l'Etape
2005	Aixe-sur-Vienne, Montfort-sur-Meu, Saint-Etienne-les-Orgues

GERMANY

EUROPE PRIZE

1955	OFFENBACH
1961	SCHWARZENBEK
1965	TÜBINGEN
1969	KARLSRUHE
1973	WÜRZBURG
1975	DARMSTADT
1980	PASSAU
1981	BRAUNFELS
1987	BERLIN-NEUKÖLLN
1993	BOCHOLT and MÜLHEIM AN DER RUHR
1997	REGENSBURG
1998	SPEYER

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1988	LINDEN, LÖRRACH and OSNABRÜCK
1989	LÜNEN and RENDSBURG
1990	KIRCHHEIM UNTER TECK, MÜLHEM a.d. Ruhr, MÜNSTER, REGENSBURG and WETZLAR
1991	ALSFELD, BOCHOLT, GROSS-GERAU and MENDEN
1992	BRÜHL, MÄRKISCHER KREIS, NORDERSTEDT, REUTLINGEN and SPEYER
1993	ETTLINGEN, HANAU, OFFENBURG, VERDEN
1994	DORSTEN, TROSSINGEN, WEINGARTEN
1995	INGELHEIM AM RHEIN, MICHELSTADT and SOLINGEN
1996	BÖBLINGEN, DIETZENBACH, MELSUNGEN and SCHOTTEN
1997	BACKNANG, GRÜNBERG, VIERSEN
1998	AALEN, GEILENKIRCHEN, GERNSBACH, KÖLN and Bezirk MITTELFRAKEN
1999	FRANKFURT (Oder), GERLINGEN, KÖNIGSWINTER, Kreis UNNA
2000	KORBACH, LANSHUT, MARKTREDWITZ
2001	LEUN, SCHWÄBISCH GMÜND
2002	HEILBRONN, HÜNFELD, NEUSS, NÜRNBERG, Bezirk UNTERFRANKEN
2003	ALTÖTTING, ESSLINGEN AM NECKAR, OTTOBEUREN
2004	FÜRTH/Odenwald, PFORZHEIM, WALDSTETTEN
2005	BERATZHAUSEN, GLINDE, HEIDENHEIM, KRONACH

FLAG OF HONOUR

1961	Rothenburg ob der Tauber
1962	Castrop-Rauxel, Celle, Karlsruhe
1963	Breisach, Darmstadt
1964	Bad Homburg, Möhringen, Wetzlar
1965	Kandel

- 1966 Bergisch-Gladbach, Neustadt (Weinstrasse)
 1967 Braunschweig, Berlin-Neukölln, Weiden
 1968 Osnabrück, Schongau und Frankfurt/Main
 1969 Bad Godesberg, Gross-Gerau, Mannheim, Neustadt (Holstein)
 1970 Berlin-Wilmersdorf, Landau, Münster, Passau; Würzburg
 1971 Esslingen/Neckar, Lahr, Hann-Münden, Bad Münstereifel, Rheinfelden, Weilburg
 1972 Bad Kissingen, Bocholt, Misburg, Rendsburg, Zweibrücken
 1973 Braunfels, Hildesheim, Nürtingen, Speyer
 1974 Bensheim, Böblingen, Erbach, Frankeneck, Freiburg, Heyersum, Preetz, Waldshut
 1975 Germersheim, Heilbronn, Kaiserslautern, Konstanz, Kornwestheim, Northeim
 1976 Eggenfelden, Herrenberg, Heubach, Norderstedt, Offenburg
 1977 Bamberg, Einbeck, Etlingen, Fulda, Lampertheim, Linden (Holstein),
 Mülheim/Ruhr, Wertheim (Main)
 1978 Donauwörth, Hanau, Kiel, Ludwigshafen, Märkischer Kreis, Nördlingen
 Schramberg, Viernheim, Waiblingen
 1979 Bietigheim-Bissingen, Dortmund, Fürstenhagen/Hess Lichtenau,
 Gernsbach/Murgtal, Kassel, Kirchheim unter Teck, Lörrach, Michelstadt,
 Spaichingen, Winnenden
 1980 Edingen/Neckarhausen, Gerlingen, Glinde, Korntal-Münchingen, Mainz, Marburg,
 Neckarsulm, Osterode am Harz, Schweinfurt, Wiesbaden
 1981 Backnang, Brühl, Frankenthal, Immenstadt, Ingelheim, Lünen, Rüsselsheim,
 Schmitshausen, Wolfenbüttel
 1982 Albstadt, Alsfeld, Bad Neustadt an der Saale, Frechen, Gottmadingen,
 Hemmoor, Hockenheim, Menden
 1983 Altensteig, Alzey, Bonn-Beuel, Gross-Umstadt, Langen, Mindelheim, Schwerte,
 Uelzen, Wehingen
 1984 Ansbach, Dorsten, Goslar, Hünfeld, Landshut, Rastatt, Reutlingen, Trier,
 Weingarten, Worms
 1985 Biedenkopf an der Lahn, Bitburg, Eltville/Rhein, Freigericht, Geesthacht, Gronau,
 Grünberg, Leimen, Lindau, Ludwigsburg, Monheim, Murrhardt, Odenwaldkreis,
 Solingen, Sottrum, Sulzfeld, Trossingen, Verden/Aller
 1986 Aumühle/Hamburg, Badenweiler, Biebesheim/Rhein, Bingen/Rhein, Coesfeld,
 Dietzbach/Main, Dreieich, Emmerich, Fellbach, Korbach, Leinfelden-
 Echterdingen, Lorch, Minden, Nordhorn, Ravensburg, Regensburg, Siegburg,
 Traunreut, Werne a. d. Lippe
 1987 Alheim, Bad Dürkheim, Burghausen a.d. Salzach, Elze, Giengen, Hainburg,
 Hechingen, Heppenheim, Herzebrock, Idar-Oberstein, Iserlohn, Königstein,
 Mülheim am Main, Ostrach, Overath, Pohlheim, Schorndorf, Schotten,
 Sindelfingen, Unna Kreis, Wörth am Rhein
 1988 Bad Sachsa, Dormagen, Freudenstadt, Kempten, Lahnstein, Linsengericht,
 Mayen, Oberkirch, Oberursel, Quakenbrück, Schwabmünchen, Sersheim,
 Witzenhausen, Zwingenberg
 1989 Bad Ems, Stadtbezirk Bonn, Bönningheim, Emmendingen, Konz, Langenfeld,
 Memmingen, Reimlingen, Rüdesheim am Rhein, Remscheid, Singen, Kreis
 Steinfurt, Am Tritttau, Wachenheim/Weinstrasse, Würselen
 1990 Euskirchen, Friedberg, Linkenheim-Hochstetten, Melsungen, Neckargemünd,
 Neuwied, Östringen, Bezirk Schwaben, Warstein
 1991 Beerfelden-Olfen, Biberach an der Riss, Böbingen an der Rems, Gladbeck,
 Hofheim am Taunus, Hürth, Landkreis Landshut, Waltrop
 1992 Aalen, Bonn-Hartberg, Gundelfingen, Hanovre, Heidenheim a.d. Brenz, Höchst i.
 Odenwald, Bezirk Mittelfranken, Raunheim, Simbach a. Inn, Steinbach, Viersen
 1993 Geilenkirchen, Hameln, Königswinter, Mitterskirchen, Recklinghausen, Reinheim,
 Riesbürg, Seligenstadt, Unna, Waldstetten
 1994 Altena, Eppingen/Heilbronn, Frankfurt a.d. Oder, Haren/Ems, Köln, Oberkochen,
 Ottobeuren
 1995 Beratzhausen, Biebertal, Breckerfeld, Gau-Algesheim, Geretsried, Lauterbach,
 Marktredwitz, Sinsheim, Taunusstein, Wesseling
 1996 Itzehoe, Leun, Schwäbisch Gmünd, Sulz am Neckar, Traunstein
 1997 Frankenberg/Eder, Fürth i. Wald, Neuss, Schwarzenbruck, Tuttingen, Wetttemberg

- 1998 Ahrensböök, Borken, Guben, Neubrandenburg, Oy-Mittelberg, Prien-am-Chiemsee
 1999 Bayreuth, Fürth/Odenwald, Haan, Idstein/Taunus, Neufahrn i. NB, Nürnberg, Pentling, Seeheim-Jugenheim, Bezirk Unterfranken, Waldmünchen
 2000 Bebra, Kulmbach, Pforzheim, Schöffengrund, Morbach, Waltenhofen
 2001 Altötting, Asslar, Borken, Bühl, Gevelsberg, Jena, Kötzing, Kronach, Obertshausen, Rems-Murr-Kreis
 2002 Augsburg, Eppstein, Gelenau, Grossenkneten, Königsbronn, Markt Rosstal, Neuburg an der Donau, Landkreis Rastatt, Sinzing, Weinstadt, Weissach im Tal
 2003 Berching, Brackenheim, Kelkheim, Laubach, Marl, Neumarkt i.d. Opf. Ostfildern, Ubstadt-Weiher
 2004 Adenau, Burgkirchen a.d. Alz, Dresden, Durmersheim, Görlitz, Liederbach am Taunus, Mosbach, Neresheim, Oer-Erkenschwick, Unterhaching
 2005 Bad Abbach, Bechhofen, Beckum, Bogen, Dransfeld, Enzkreis, Kranenburg, Langenargen, Mühlacker, Pfarrkirchen, Weil am Rhein

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

- 1988 Bad Ems, Biberach an der Riss, Emmendingen, Eppingen, Herxheim, Höchst im Odenwald, Hofheim am Taunus, Langenfeld, Östringen, Reimlingen, Rüdesheim, Remscheid, Würselen, Wachenheim an der Weinstrasse, Warstein
 1989 Beerfelden-Olfen, Euskirchen, Friedberg, Gladbeck, Gründau, Herbstein, Hürth, Linkenheim-Hochstetten, Neuwied, Oberviechtach, Puderbach, Waldstetten, Waltrop
 1990 Bad Kreuznach, Stadtbezirk Bonn-Hardtberg, Bonndorf im Schwarzwald, Gundelfingen a.d. Donau, Hamm, Hannover, Landkreis Landshut, Meerbusch, Mitterskirchen, Raunheim, Reinheim, Seligenstadt, Steinbach, Viersen
 1991 Altena, Baiersbronn, Beratzhausen, Goch, Königswinter, Lauterbach, Pöttmes, Riesbürg, Ruppichteröth, Simbach am Inn
 1992 Geilenkirchen, Hameln, Oy-Mittelberg, Rostock, Sinsheim, Sulz am Neckar, Bezirk Unterfranken, Wesseling
 1993 Amtzell, Biebertal, Breckerfeld, Frankfurt (Oder), Furth i. Wald, Giesen, Haren (Ems), Kallmünz, Kirchhain, Marktredwitz, Oberkochen, Taunusstein, Wächstersbach
 1994 Bebra, Frankenberg/Eder, Gau-Algesheim, Geretsried, Grasellenbach, Gunzenhausen, Haan, Itzehoe, Koblenz, Neuss, Pentling, Wetttenberg
 1995 Ahrensböök, Bruchsal, Fürth/Odenwald, Helsa, Kötzing, Leun, Neufahrn i. NB, Ober-Ramstadt, Prien am Chiemsee, Schwäbisch Gmünd, Schwarzenbruck, Waldmünchen, Waltenhofen
 1996 Bretten-Neibsheim, Eppstein, Gerabronn, Kosel, Morbach, Neumarkt i.d. Opf., Schöffengrund, Tuttingen
 1997 Borken, Fröndenberg, Guben, Heuchelheim, Kulmbach, Laubach, Maihingen, Mühlacker, Neunkirchen-Seelscheid, Seeheim-Jugenheim, Schwandorf, Wassertrüdingen
 1998 Asslar, Auenwald, Berching, Coburg, Ellhofen, Gevelsberg, Göllheim, Jena, Königsbronn, Lohmen, Obertshausen, Windberg
 1999 Bad Abbach, Borken (Hesse), Grossenkneten, Ingolstadt, Kronach, Mundelsheim, Nordenham, Pforzheim, Landkreis Rastatt, Schrobenhausen, Weinstadt, Weissach im Tal
 2000 Adenau, Altötting, Bechhofen, Brackenheim, Bühl, Durmersheim, Kelkheim/Taunus, Neresheim, Neuburg a.d. Donau, Rems-Murr-Kreis, Rosstal, Sinzing, Ubstadt-Weiher, Weil am Rhein
 2001 Bogen, Denkendorf, Döbeln, Gelenau, Kolbingen, Mällersdorf-Pfaffenberg, Monschau, Mosbach, Much, Nidda, Oer-Erkenschwick, Sandhausen, Stein, Warendorf
 2002 Beelen, Besigheim, Burgkirchen, Dransfeld, Duderstadt, Eberbach, Greifswald, Hattersheim am Main, Herbolzheim, Langenargen, Marl, Bezirk Neuss, Obrigheim, Rheine, Unterhaching, Wadersloh, Wendlingen am Neckar
 2003 Amberg/Opf, Arnstadt, Bad Arolsen, Beckum, Ducherow, Ehringshausen, Enzkreis, Görlitz, Hackenheim, Kranenburg, Kressbronn am Bodensee, Leinzell,

	Liederbach am Taunus, Nordwalde, Oppenheim, Ottersweier, Pfarrkirchen, Waldkirch-Buchholz
2004	Alling, Anklam, Demmin, Holzwickede, Kappelrodeck, Kuppenheim, Marktheidenfeld, Nittendorf, Rosdorf, Zeitlarn
2005	Bobenheim-Roxheim, Durach, Durbach, Fürth, Grosshabersdorf, Herborn, Hude (Oldb), Ostalbkreis, Pfaffenhausen, Pirna, Waldbronn, Waldsolms

GREECE

EUROPE PRIZE

1960 RHODES

FLAG OF HONOUR

1965 Hermoupolis

HUNGARY

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

2002 SZEGED
2003 JASZBERENY
2004 NYIREGYHAZA, TATA
2005 KECSKEMET, KISKUNHALAS

FLAG OF HONOUR

1996 Mohacs
1997 Hodmezovasarhely
1999 Jaszbereny
2000 Tata, Szeged
2001 Kiskunfelegyhaza, Kiskunhalas, Nyiregyhaza
2002 Kazincbarcika, Kecskemet
2003 Jasz-Nagykun-Szolnok County, Kaposvar, Mako
2005 Szentcs

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1997 Marcali
1999 Kazincbarcika, Kiskunfelegyhaza, Kiskunhalas, Tata
2000 Kecskemet
2001 Szekesfehervar
2002 Kaposvar, Mako
2004 Hajdu-Bihar County, Szentcs
2005 Czorna, Kőszeg

IRELAND

FLAG OF HONOUR

1965 Kinsale
1967 Castlebar
1969 Cobh
1986 Portarlinton
1988 Drogheda

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1988 Killarney, Wexford
1989 Clonmel
1993 Carna

ITALY

EUROPE PRIZE

1957	TORINO
1962	PALERMO
1968	FAENZA
1971	UDINE
1974	CESENATICO
1989	LUCCA
1995	BOLOGNE

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1988	VERBANIA
1990	ADRIA
1991	LECCO
1992	FORLI, BOLOGNA
1993	ROSIGNANO MARITTIMO
1994	COMO/COME
1995	BASSANO DEL GRAPPA
1996	ROVIGO
1997	SARSINA
1998	RONCHI DEI LEGIONARI
2001	SCANDIANO
2003	FIDENZA
2004	ROVERETO
2005	CALCINAIA

FLAG OF HONOUR

1962	Chieti, Valle Alto di Susa
1964	Udine
1965	Lucca
1967	Messina
1968	Cuneo, Venezia
1969	Gorizia, La Spezia
1970	Erli
1971	Adria
1972	Bordighera, Cesenatico
1973	Malvito, Vidracco
1974	Cagliari, Lecco, Velletri
1975	Frascati, Padoue
1976	Canale, Nettuno, Taranto, Trieste
1977	Bologna, Cassino, Mango
1978	Pescara, Ravenna, Verbania
1979	Bressanone/Brixen, Terracina
1980	Rimini, Soverato
1981	San Vendemiano, Scandiano
1982	Guastalla, Gubbio, Ivrea
1983	Cava di Terreni, Como, Corneliano d'Alba, Schio
1984	Corbetta, Genes, Lariano, Pietrasanta
1985	Pratovecchio
1986	Bassiano, Fano, Forli, Luzzara, Traversetolo
1987	Bucine, Collegno, Priverno, Sarsina, Todi, Tortona, Varese
1988	Bassano del Grappa, Bronte, Rosignano-Marittimo, Rovigo, Santeramo in Colle, Trento
1989	Battaglia Terme, Monte San Biagio, Verona
1990	Bibbiano
1991	Cecina, Medea
1992	Brunico/Bruneck

1993	Brugherio, Grugliasco, Montemarciano, Pesaro
1994	Longarone, Ronchi dei Legionari, Scandiano
1995	Lenola, Moncalieri, Montebelluna, Pinerolo
1996	Lugo, San Mauro Torinese
1997	Fidenza, Corsico
1998	Senigallia, Sortino, Vicenza
1999	Olgiate Comasco, Santa Maria a Monte
2000	Calcinaia
2001	Feltre, Rovereto
2002	Corciano, Noceto
2003	Nimis
2004	Crema, Martina Franca

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1988	Bibbiano, Castiglione di Sicilia, Lenola, San Remo, Terdobbiato
1989	Atina, Montebelluna, Montemarciano, Porano, Rivoli
1990	Cecina, Cogoleto, Ferrara, Provincia Reggio Emilia
1991	Brugherio, Carmignano di Brenta, Montescudaio, Palo del Colle, Segonzano
1992	Grugliasco, Marineo, Moncalieri, Pesaro, Pinerolo
1993	Longarone, Piossasco, Ronchi dei Legionari, Sabaudia, San Pietro al Natisone, Trofarello
1994	Montechiarugolo, Novellara, San Mauro Torinese
1995	Corsico, Finale Emilia, Granarolo dell'Emilia, Lugo, Marano Equo, Olgiate Comasco, Volpago del Montello
1996	Fidenza, Senigallia
1997	Calcinaia, Limana, Peccioli, Santa Maria a Monte, Vicenza
1998	Camponogara, Feltre, Foggia, Mapello
1999	Borgo Val di Taro, Calvi dell'Umbria, San Polo d'Enza
2000	Corciano, Noceto, Rovereto
2001	Gangi
2002	Nimis
2003	Caltagirone, Crema, Farnese, Martina Franca
2004	Fortezza/Franzensfeste, Massa e Cozzile
2005	Bagnacavallo, Salerno

LATVIA

FLAG OF HONOUR

2004	LIEPAJA
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LIECHTENSTEIN

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1989	Vaduz
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LITHUANIA

EUROPE PRIZE

2003	KLAIPEDA
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PLAQUE OF HONOUR

2001	Klaipeda
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FLAG OF HONOUR

1999	Klaipeda
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LUXEMBOURG

FLAG OF HONOUR

1969	Esch-sur-Alzette
1983	Luxembourg

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1989	Dippach
1997	Walferdange

MOLDOVA

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1999	CHISINAU
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FLAG OF HONOUR

1997	Chisinau
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NETHERLANDS

EUROPE PRIZE

1958	DEN HAAG
1986	ARNHEM
1992	DELFIJL

PLAQUETTE D'HONNEUR

1988	BRIELLE
1989	ZWOLLE
1990	ALKMAAR
1992	HULST

DRAPEAU D'HONNEUR

1961	Alkmaar, Lopik
1963	Almelo
1965	Delft
1966	Breda
1968	Hoogezand-Sappemeer
1969	Coeverden, Haarlem
1970	Arnhem
1971	Geleen
1972	Oisterwijk
1974	Kerkrade
1975	Deventer
1976	Spijkenisse, Tilburg
1977	Delfzijl
1978	Middelburg, Zaanstad
1979	Zevenaar
1980	Hulst
1981	Brielle
1982	De Bilt
1983	's-Gravensande
1985	Zwolle
1986	Huizen, Katwijk, Vlijmen, Wierden
1987	Dinxperlo, Oud en Nieuw Gastel, Wesseem
1988	Papendrecht, Venlo

1989	Brunssum, Roermond, Sleen
1990	Beek
1992	Echt
1993	Vlagtwedde
1994	Graft-de-Rijp, Meerssen
1995	Bathmen, Maastricht
1998	Bergen op Zoom
2005	Schouwen-Duiveland

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1988	Hoorn, Roermond
1989	Aardenburg, Bathmen, Beek
1990	Arcen en Velden, Beek en Donk, Goirle
1991	Graft-de-Rijp
1992	Meerssen, Vlagtwedde
1993	Esch, Wierden
1994	Kerkrade, Stadskanaal, Waalwijk
1996	Bergen op Zoom
1997	Reiderland
2002	Horst aan de Maas
2004	Schouwen-Duiveland

NORWAY

EUROPE PRIZE

1965	KRISTIANSAND
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POLAND

EUROPE PRIZE

1998	CZESTOCHOWA
2002	GDYNIA

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1995	CZESTOCHOWA
1996	SUWALKI
1997	SLUPSK
1998	GDYNIA
1999	SLUBICE
2000	KATOWICE, OPOLE
2001	KOSZALIN
2002	POZNAN
2003	GLOGOW, KALISZ
2004	LEGNICA
2005	KROTOSZYN, TORUŃ

FLAG OF HONOUR

1993	Czestochowa
1994	Slubice, Slupsk
1995	Przemysl, Suwalki
1996	Gdynia
1997	Gdansk, Opole, Wroclaw
1998	Gubin, Katowice, Rakoniewice
1999	Koszalin, Kalisz
2000	Elblag, Glogow, Poznan
2001	Gniezno, Krotoszyn, Legnica, Torun, Walbrzych

2002	Gorzow, Konin, Kozmin Wielkopolski
2003	Bytom, Goleniow, Leszno
2004	Gizalki, Rybnik, Zgorzelec
2005	Plock, Swinoujscie, Wagrowiec

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1993	Slubice, Suwalki, Slupsk
1994	Przemysl
1995	Opole
1996	Rakoniewice
1997	Gubin, Olsztyn, Starachowice
1998	Koszalin
1999	Glogow, Gorzow Wielkopolski, Kozmin Wielkopolski, Legnica
2000	Jelenia Gora, Konin, Krotoszyn, Lipnica Wielka, Niepolomice
2001	Goleniow, Tczew
2002	Bytom, Chorzow, Debno, Gizalki, Leszno, Siemianowice Slaskie, Swidnica, Swinoujscie, Szamotuly
2003	Oswiecim, Piotrkow, Rybnik
2004	Powiat Kolobrzeg, Ogrodzieniec, Plock, Suprasl, Wagrowiec
2005	Bedzin, Bialogard, Grodzisk Wielkopolski, Kolobrzeg, Radom, Zywiec

PORTUGAL

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1993	LISBONNE
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FLAG OF HONOUR

1984	Coimbra
1985	Guarda, Villa Real
1987	Figueira da Foz, Matosinhos
1988	Lisbonne

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1988	Santo Tirso
1989	Villa Nova de Foz Coa

ROMANIA

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

2003	Sighisoara
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FLAG OF HONOUR

1999	Sighisoara, Timisoara
2000	Lugoj, Tirgu Mures
2003	Orastie

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1997	Geoagiu, Sighisoara
1998	Lugoj
2000	Aiud
2002	Orastie, Ungureni
2003	Vama
2005	Oradea

RUSSIA

EUROPE PRIZE

2005 KALININGRAD

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

2001 Région de Novgorod

2002 Kaliningrad

FLAG OF HONOUR

1997 Région de Novgorod

1999 Kaliningrad

2000 Pushkin

2003 Yaroslavl

2004 Bryansk

2005 Kostroma

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

2003 Bryansk

SERBIA and MONTENEGRO

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

2005 Gjilan (Kosovo)

SLOVAKIA

FLAG OF HONOUR

2002 NAMESTOVO

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

2001 NAMESTOVO

SLOVENIA

FLAG OF HONOUR

1999 Ljubljana

2003 Kamnik

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1997 Kamnik

SPAIN

EUROPE PRIZE

1985 SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1995 ALMUNECAR

2003 POZUELO DE ALARCON

FLAG OF HONOUR

1980 Valladolid

1982	Santiago de Compostela
1984	Gerona, Lerida, Sitges
1985	Matadepera
1986	Almunecar, Granada
1987	Cuenca
1990	San Sebastian
1994	Tarrega
1997	Pozuelo de Alarcon
1998	Murcia
1999	Castello d'Empuries
2001	Denia, Oliva
2003	Palos de la Frontera
2004	Leon
2005	Las Rozas

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1989	Barcelone, San Sebastian
1990	Jerez
1993	Sant Joan Les Fonts, Amposta, Cambre
1995	Tortosa
1998	Castello d'Empuries, Olot
1999	Palos de la Frontera
2000	Oliva
2004	Las Rozas

SWEDEN

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1999	Karlskrona
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FLAG OF HONOUR

1969	Bollnas
1970	Göteborg
1998	Karlskrona
2003	Vara

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

2001	Västervik
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SWITZERLAND

EUROPE PRIZE

1970	SIERRE
1983	LAUSANNE

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1994	ZUG
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FLAG OF HONOUR

1961	Monthey
1963	Locarno
1966	Zug
1968	Sierre
1970	Bienne
1972	Lausanne
1974	Vouvry

1977	Lucerne
1980	Yverdon
1982	Martigny
1983	Lugano
1984	Chiasso
1985	Thonex
1986	Grand-Saconnex
1987	Aigle
1988	Chur, Genève
1991	Montreux
1997	Pully
1999	Bex
2005	Morges

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1989	Plaffeien
1990	Gerra Gambarogno
1991	Arboldswil
1992	Morcote
1993	Bex, Grenchen
1995	Pully
1996	Morges
1997	Breil/Brigels
1998	Allschwil, Neuchâtel
1999	Winterthur
2001	Reinach, Renens
2002	Baden, Plan-les-Ouates
2003	Cheseaux
2004	Froideville

TURKEY

EUROPE PRIZE

1959	ISTANBUL
1991	BURSA

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

2003	ANKARA
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FLAG OF HONOUR

1970	Izmir
1988	Bursa
2000	Kütahya
2001	Ankara, Izmit
2003	Güzelçamli
2004	Bozkurt
2005	Bahcesehir

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1989	Antalya
1993	Kütahya
2001	Bahcesehir, Bozkurt, Guzelcamli, Karadenis Eregli

UKRAINE

FLAG OF HONOUR

1994	Odessa
2004	Kharkov

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

2003	Kharkov
2005	Ivano-Frankivsk

UNITED KINGDOM

EUROPE PRIZE

1955	COVENTRY
1976	DEVON C. C.
1983	ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA
1996	WANSBECK District Council
1999	COCKERMOUTH

PLAQUE OF HONOUR

1988	DISTRICT DE KILMARNOCK and LOUDOUN
1989	SWANSEA
1991	LANCASTER and PLYMOUTH
1992	WANSBECK D. C
1994	LEICESTER
1995	COCKERMOUTH and GLENROTHES
1996	OXFORD
1997	BRISTOL
1998	NOTTINGHAM, WIRRAL
1999	CHICHESTER
2002	DURHAM C.C.

FLAG OF HONOUR

1961	Thornbury
1962	Bethnal Green, Cardiff
1963	Maidenhead
1964	Hayes and Harlington (U. D)
1965	Glamorgan (County of)
1967	Lambeth
1968	Durham
1969	Bootle, Southampton, York
1970	Lancaster, Tower Hamlets
1971	Herne Bay, Swaffham U. D.
1972	Castleford Borough, Tenbury R. D. C.
1973	Plymouth, Southwark L. B.
1974	Devon C. C., Hillingdon, Luton C. B.
1975	Frimley and Camberley U. D., Sutton L. B.
1976	Bradford Metropolitan D. C., Spalding U. D.
1977	Dartford D. C., Havant Borough, Leicestershire
1978	Sedgemoor D. C., Wrexham Maelor B. C.
1979	Central R.C. of Scotland, East Devon D. C., Queenborough
1980	Kilmarnock and Loudoun, Newcastle upon TYNE, Royal Leamington Spa
1981	Bodmin, Glenrothes, Oadby, Wigston, South Tyneside
1982	Darlington Borough, Hastings B. C., Midlothian D. C., Swansea
1983	Eastleigh Borough, Canterbury, Llangollen T. C., Kettering
1984	Andover, East-Sussex, Edinburgh , ST. Albans
1985	Dacorum, East Grinstead, Wansbeck

1986 Cambridgeshire, Filton, Meopham, Neath, North Bedfordshire, Peterborough
1987 Ashford B. C, Bristol, Exeter, Glamorgan B.C, Torbay B.C.
1988 Cambridge C.C, Cheltenham B.C., Clydesdale D.C, North-West
Leicestershire D.C., Poole B.C, Shaftesbury
1989 Alnwick, Leicester, The Vale of White Horse and Abingdon TC
1990 East Kilbride, Rochdale, Tonbridge and Malling, Wellington
1991 Motherwell, Northumberland C.C., Nottingham, Taunton
1992 Cockermouth T.C., Hornsea T.C., Kenilworth T.C., Oxford C.C., Rotherham,
Warwick
1993 Dunfermline D.C., East Lothian D.C., Newbury D.C.,
1994 Chichester C.C., Stafford B.C., Wirral Metrop. Borough
1995 Cleethorpes, Kyle and Carrick D.C.
1996 Borough of ROSSENDAL
1999 Harpenden
2001 Nottinghamshire C.C.
2003 Stockport
2004 Chester
2005 Seaham

EUROPEAN DIPLOMA

1988 Swimbridge, Norton Radstock
1989 Hornsea T.C., Motherwell D.C., Tonbridge and Malling B.C., Wellington
1990 Dorchester, Kenilworth, Millbrook
1991 Cockermouth, Dunfermline D.C., East Lothian D.C., London Borough of Havering,
Warwick
1993 Chichester C.C., Basingstoke and Deane, Stafford, Test Valley, Wirral
1994 Cleethorpes, Kyle and Carrick D.C., Rossendale
1995 Frome
1996 Desborough
1997 District de Easington
1998 Harpenden
2001 Seaham, Cromer
2003 Caernarfon
2005 Bracknell, Verwood

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