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Application Details for the Dr. Erhard Busek - SEEMO Award for Better Understanding in South East Europe 2006

The South East Europe Media Organisation (SEEMO) is pleased to announce the Dr. Erhard Busek - SEEMO 2006 Award for Better Understanding in South East Europe.

Sponsored by Dr. Erhard Busek, special coordinator for the Stability Pact, the **2,000 Euro award** will be given to a journalist, **editor, media executive or person educating journalists in South Eastern Europe**, thus using the media to promote a climate of better understanding among people in the region and to work towards ending minority problems, ethnic divisions, racism, xenophobia etc.

In **2002**, the South East Europe Media Organisation (SEEMO) and its international jury chose Croatian journalist **Denis Latin** as its recipient of the Dr. Erhard Busek - SEEMO 2002 Award for Better Understanding in South East Europe, in recognition of his outstanding efforts in journalism, which contributed toward better understanding in South Eastern Europe.

In **2003**, the award was presented to **Kemal Kurspahic**, former editor-in-chief of the Sarajevo daily Oslobodjenje. The **2005** Award was given to **Brankica Petkovic**, Head of the Center for Media Policy at the Peace Institute in Ljubljana, Slovenia, and editor-in-chief of the book versions of Media Watch and Media Watch Journal. She is also the author of a number of articles on media representations of minorities, with a special focus on the Roma minority in Slovenia.

If you know of anyone who would be a worthy recipient of the Dr. Erhard Busek - SEEMO Award for Better Understanding in South East Europe, please send a **letter to SEEMO with basic details about the person (along with a professional CV, describing why she / he should receive the award), as well as the contacts of the person (media organisation, address, phone, fax, email). In case you would like to nominate a media outlet or an organisation / institution, please always provide details of its representative, because this award can be presented only to individuals.**

If your nomination is supported by an organisation / media outlet, please send us the name of the contact person supporting your nomination, as well as basic information about the organisation / media outlet. If your nomination is supported by another individual or individuals, please send us their details and contact information. We would also need your own details and contact information (address, phone, fax, email, mobile phone).

These are the members of the Dr. Erhard Busek - SEEMO Award jury: Mircea Toma, Media Monitoring Agency, Bucharest, Ognian Zlatev, Media Development Center, Sofia, Remzi Lani, Albanian Media Institute, Tirana, Saso Ordanoski, Forum magazine, Skopje, Christian Wehrschütz, ORF, Vienna, Radomir Licina, Danas daily, Belgrade, Roland Bless, OSCE, Vienna, Dragan Barbutovski, Stability Pact, Brussels, Stjepan Malovic, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Johann Fritz, IPI, Vienna, and Oliver Vujovic, SEEMO, Vienna

Please note that members of the jury cannot be nominated for the award.

Any **additional material** about the nominated person (such as TV reports on video or DVD, audio reports on cassette or CD, or articles in newspapers), if possible with a short English translation, are welcomed. Unfortunately, supporting material cannot be returned, so please always send copies.

The **application deadline** for the Dr. Erhard Busek - SEEMO Award for Better Understanding in South East Europe 2006 is: **1 May 2006**

Please send your nomination and supporting documents to:

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