### Rīga Stradiņš University Student Union

## Annual awards 'Zelta Pakavs 2022'

# REGULATIONS

#### 1. General Rules

- 1.1. The Riga Stradiņš University Student Union (henceforth RSU SU) Annual Award 'Zelta Pakavs' 2022 (hereinafter referred to as Annual Award) is an RSU SU award ceremony, in which special attention is paid to those events, organisations and people who, from April 2021 on, have drawn attention to current issues, influenced students, created new, innovative ideas and set an example for others.
- 1.2. The awards are given to those who have been the best in each nomination category according to the following criteria, thus promoting the image of RSU SU, with the aim of highlighting inspiring examples, uniting students, employees, supporters, departments of Riga Stradi, University (henceforth RSU) and promoting RSU future developments.
- 1.3. RSU SU 'Zelta Pakavs 2022' is presented once an academic year at the RSU SU anniversary event in the spring.
- 1.4. The processes and deadlines for nominating and voting for applicants are determined and organised by the Annual Prize Commission the President of the RSU SU Board, the RSU SU Culture and Sports Head, the Annual Prize Project Manager and a person elected by the RSU SU Board.
- 1.5. An expert voting commission is established, consisting of the RSU SU Financial Administrator, an RSU SU Senior Member, who during the last three calendar years has not had a contractual relationship with RSU SU, the RSU SU Council Senior, a nominee from the Rector of RSU, and the President of RSU SU.
- 1.6. The 'Zelta Pakavs 2022' nominations are:
  - 1.6.1. SU Growth of the Year;
  - 1.6.2. SU Horseshoe of the Year;
  - 1.6.3. SU Senior Member of the Year;
  - 1.6.4. SU Friend of the Year;
  - 1.6.5. SU Supporter of the Year;
  - 1.6.6. SU Accident of the Year;
  - 1.6.7. SU Scientific Group of the Year;
  - 1.6.8. SU Activist of the Year;
  - 1.6.9. SU Inspiration of the Year;
  - 1.6.10. SU Innovation of the Year;
  - 1.6.11. SU Snail of the Year.

## 2. Nomination and Evaluation Criteria

- 2.1. Any RSU student and RSU University representative may nominate persons, organisations and events for the nominations specified in paragraph 1.6.
- 2.2. When nominating, the person who would be authorised to receive the award must be indicated.
- 2.3. When nominating, a description of at least 50 words but not more than 250 words must be attached.
- 2.4. Applications must be submitted electronically by completing the form provided by the Annual Prize Commission. Nominations are accepted within the deadlines set by the RSU SU Annual Award 2022 Commission.
- 2.5. The main criteria for the 'Zelta Pakavs 2022' nominations are:
  - 2.5.1. **Annual Growth** significant growth of an SU activist, member of the Council, member of the Board during the year, which has affected RSU students:
    - 2.5.1.1. active throughout the year and participates in several projects and/or independent activities in the SU;
    - 2.5.1.2. represented RSU and/or RSU SU in representative events.
  - 2.5.2. **Horseshoe of the Year** an activity, event, project, which has had a positive impact on RSU students, promoted the recognition of RSU SU in the respective period, educated students, increased the competencies of student representatives:
    - 2.5.2.1. it has been organised by a member of RSU SU;
    - 2.5.2.2. it has benefited RSU students;
    - 2.5.2.3. it creates a positive image of RSU SU;
    - 2.5.2.4. it has attracted new activists and been attended.
  - 2.5.3. **Senior Member of the Year** the prize in this nomination is won by the senior member of RSU SU, who has made the greatest contribution to the development of RSU SU during the year, to RSU students:
    - 2.5.3.1. has supported RSU SU;
    - 2.5.3.2. the senior member has been active for the whole year;
    - 2.5.3.3. has made or influenced positive or useful changes in the operation of RSU SU.
  - 2.5.4. **Friend of the Year** a person, other student union, organisation or structural unit of RSU that has supported and positively influenced the image and operation of RSU SU:
    - 2.5.4.1. is not a member of RSU SU;
    - 2.5.4.2. helped and was responsive to RSU SU, got involved in problem solving, projects, etc.
  - 2.5.5. **Supporter of the Year** a legal or natural person who has materially supported the events organised by RSU SU during this year.
    - 2.5.5.1. has supported several projects organised by RSU SU;
    - 2.5.5.2. open for cooperation with RSU SU.
  - 2.5.6. Accident of the Year a situation or event that has affected students and has not promoted development in matters related to higher education:
    - 2.5.6.1. a situation or event related to RSU students.

- 2.5.7. Scientific Group of the Year an RSU scientific group, which in the indicated period of time has made a significant contribution to scientific activities:
  - 2.5.7.1. the most scientific research works developed in relation to the number of members of the group;
  - 2.5.7.2. improvements in the operation of the group have been introduced;
  - 2.5.7.3. additional organised activities, involvement in projects outside the group meetings.
- 2.5.8. Activists of the Year the RSU student who has been most involved in RSU SU during the indicated period of time and has assisted in the work of the organisation and the Board:
  - 2.5.8.1. an RSU student who is not a member of the RSU SU Board may be nominated;
  - 2.5.8.2. involvement in the daily work of the Board, solving issues important to students, implementation of projects, etc. is evaluated;
  - 2.5.8.3. has promoted positive recognition of RSU SU among RSU students.
- 2.5.9. **Inspiration of the Year** a person or project that encouraged and motivated existing or future members of RSU SU:
  - 2.5.9.1. any RSU student, employee or event may be nominated.
- 2.5.10. **Innovation of the Year -** an innovation, improvement or project for students in an academic, social, cultural or other field:
  - 2.5.10.1. any innovation or project related to infrastructure, studies, extracurricular activities or research may be nominated;
  - 2.5.10.2. the innovation must be relevant and attractive to RSU students.
- 2.5.11. **Snail of the Year -** an RSU SU event or work that has stopped developing for too long:
  - 2.5.11.1. any RSU SU work that has been started at least 2 years ago and has been repeatedly postponed and resumed may be nominated;
  - 2.5.11.2. the event or work must be relevant to RSU students at the time of nomination.

### **3.** Voting Process

- 3.1. The 'Zelta Pakavs 2022' prizes are awarded to the candidate who has received the most votes. The nominee is evaluated by:
  - 3.1.1. Growth of the Year- the Board and the Council's votes;
  - 3.1.2. Horseshoe of the Year RSU students and the Board's votes;
  - 3.1.3. Senior Member of the Year the Board and the Council's votes;
  - 3.1.4. Friend of the Year the Board and the Council's votes;
  - 3.1.5. Supporter of the Year the Board's votes;
  - 3.1.6. Accident of the Year the Board and the Council's votes;
  - 3.1.7. Scientific Group of the Year RSU students and the Board's votes;
  - 3.1.8. Activist of the Year the Board and the Council's votes;
  - 3.1.9. Inspiration of the Year the Board and the Council's votes;
  - 3.1.10. Innovation of the Year RSU students and the Board's votes;

3.1.11. Snail of the Year - RSU students and the Board's votes.

- 3.2. All nominations are further evaluated by the said panel of experts in section 1.5.
- 3.3. A detailed process for compiling the result of the joint vote is available in Annex no. 1.

## **4.** Presentation of Awards

- 4.1. The 'Zelta Pakavs 2022' awards will be presented at the SU anniversary celebrations on April 22, 2022.
- 4.2. 'Zelta Pakavs 2022' will take place in person, in accordance with epidemiological safety requirements. If necessary, the event will be moved online.

RSU SU President

Toms Mārtiņš Smilga

Nomination	Board	Council	RSU students	Expert voting commission
Growth of the Year	0,45	0,40	X	0,15
Horseshoe of the Year	0,40	X	0,45	0,15
Senior Member of the Year	0,45	0,40	X	0,15
Friend of the Year	0,45	0,40	X	0,15
Supporter of the Year	0,70	X	0,15	0,15
Accident of the Year	0,40	0,45	X	0,15
Scientific Group of the Year	0,20	X	0,65	0,15
Activist of the Year	0,45	0,40	X	0,15
Inspiration of the Year	0,40	0,45	X	0,15
Innovation of the Year	0,40	X	0,45	0,15
Snail of the Year	0,40	Х	0,45	0,15