

Supplement to the criteria for the bestowal of the Cross Border Award "Sail of Papenburg"

– for personalities of merit

Main idea:

The Association of European Border Regions (AEBR) can award the Cross Border Award „Sail of Papenburg“, donated in 2002 by the Ems Dollart Region, also to individual personalities.

The prize is awarded to personalities of merit, who promote the idea of European unification - in particular in the field of cross-border co-operation – in political, institutional, cultural, social, economic and intellectual terms, thus supporting the AEBR in achieving its objectives and performing its tasks. Therewith, the Association of European Border Regions does not simply intend to refer to the unsolved problems at the internal and external borders of Europe in an admonitory manner, but especially to show ways towards a practical solution of this urgent question as well.

Individual activities, but also overall achievements and efforts of a personality can be honoured. The award can be bestowed annually or in irregular intervals. The EU-citizenship of the person to be honoured is not a requirement. Persons working directly for the AEBR are excluded from the award. Repeated bestowal of the award to the same person is not allowed.

Procedure:

There is no call for the submission of entries with regard to the cross-border award for personalities. The Executive Committee and the Secretariat General ask the European border and cross-border regions to recommend possible nominees, or they act on own initiative.

Evaluation:

The submitted proposals are assessed by the independent cross-border award jury. This jury is appointed by the Executive Committee for a period of three years. The jury should consist of at least five members. It presents the assessed proposals to the Executive Committee for final decision on the laureate.

The final decision on the Cross-Border Award is taken by the Executive Committee of AEBR with the majority of its members.

Bestowal:

The laureate will be announced at the Annual Conference / General Assembly of the AEBR. The price is going to be awarded in the Committee of the Regions in Brüssels on a date after the General Assembly.