

The First Lady's Foundation of the Cultural Foundation of the President of the Republic and Nordea Bank are announcing the spring application round for the Young Athlete's Prize. The deadline for the submission of applications is **4 April 2014** (incl. date on postal stamp). The prize per recipient will be up to 3,200 euros. For the second time, applications can be submitted for a team prize, which will be 3,200 euros.

The prize is intended to acknowledge young, under-21-year-olds with very good academic achievements. The prize is earmarked for the young people's training and competition costs. Teams consisting of at least two members (for example, a rowing team, football team, etc.) can apply for the team prize. The size of the prize will be decided, considering the limits specified above, by the advisory board of the First Lady's Foundation.

Candidates for the prize may be nominated by the young athletes' coaches, instructors, schools, sports clubs, sports associations and members of the advisory board of the First Lady's Foundation.

In order to apply for the prize, the applicant is asked to:

- submit a written application with personal data and a short biography, complete with contact information;
- submit the young athlete's educational results (copies of certificates, study book, etc.);
- submit a recommendation letter and assessment from the school and submit recommendations from coaches, instructors, sports clubs or sports associations.

Justification for the need for the support in his/her application (a relevant programme, budget for competition or training calendar, etc. or a description of the athlete's career).

The advisory board of the First Lady's Foundation may, if appropriate, consult and ask experts of other spheres to award the prize. The advisory board of the First Lady's Foundation has the right to request additional information about the candidate and visit the applicant's school, sports club, sports association or other such organisations.

All the documents related to the application for the prize shall be sent to the First Lady's Foundation at the Office of the President of the Republic (A. Weizenbergi 39, Tallinn 15050) or, signed digitally, to the e-mail address vpinfo@vpk.ee .

The Young Athlete's prize is financed by the Cultural Foundation of the President of the Republic in co-operation with Nordea Bank, and is being awarded for the tenth time. The team prize is being awarded for the second time.

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