REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES PRESIDENCY

Tirana on 22 December 2017

Decision No. 24, dated 22 December 2017

On the announcement of the Competition for the Best Scientific Works and Publications dedicated to Gjergj Kastrioti - Skanderbeg and his era

In the framework of the year 2018, announced as "The year of Scanderbeg"

To:

Members of the Assembly, Section of Albanian and Social Studies, Section of Natural and Technical Sciences; Sector of Scientific Publication and Library; Sector of Finance; Sector of Personnel

Universities, scientific institutions and centers, publishing houses, independent researchers

Pursuant to Article 4, point f of the Law no. 9655, dated 11.12.2006 "On the Academy of Science of the Republic of Albania", which states that the Academy of Sciences: f) *organizes competitions and awards scientific prizes*.

Pursuant to the Decision of the Council of Ministers no. 493, dated 13.9.2017, "On the Announcement of the year 2018 as "The National Year of Gjergj Kastriot-Skanderbeg""; as well as Article 5, point 1, 2 of the Regulation "On the Award of the annual National Scientific Prizes by the Academy of Sciences of Albania; on the organization of the contests; on the criteria for the selection of the winners and the provisions for the award, adopted by the Order no. 11, dated 6 October 2016 of the President of the Academy of Sciences; based on the proposal of

the Section of Social and Albanian Sciences, the Presidency of the Academy of Sciences takes the following

DECISION:

1. To announce the competition for the best scientific works and publications dedicated to the figure of Gjergj Kastriot-Skanderbeg and his era; national hero of the Albanian people; the protagonist of the European Renaissance, with the following provisions:

- For the best scientific and / or documentary work written by Albanian authors.

- For the best scientific and / or documentary work written by foreign authors, in Albanian or in another language.

- For the best scientific and / or documentary work in assessing the bukinist uniqueness. Priority is given to the diplomatic-anastatic publications of humanistic Albanian and / or foreign language literature.

2. Only monographic and documentary studies published from 2000 to 2018 shall be eligible for submission. Academic-undergraduate institutions, publishers and authors themselves are entitled to submit proposals.

3. For this competition, a specialized jury shall be established at the Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Albania, composed of domestic and foreign researchers. This jury shall be assigned autonomously admit, select, nominate and announce the winner of the three candidates participating in the competition pursuant to the provisions of point 1 of this decision. The jury shall be established by decision of the Executive Council.

4. Submission shall be open from January 1, 2018 until June 30, 2018. The nomination of the candidates shall be announced by the jury on 18 September 2018. Each of the participants in the contest is entitled to organizing an open academic lecture to present his or her research results.

5. A diploma and a financial reward shall be awarded to each winner. The special prize for the winning works shall be publicly announced in November 2018, which concludes the Year of Gjergj Kastrioti - Skenderbeu, as announced in the cited DCM.

6. The Executive Council of the Academy of Sciences, in cooperation with the two scientific sections and with the sector and the scientific library and publications, is charged with the

organization of the work for providing the conditions for a transparent contest as well as for the functioning of the jury, pursuant to Regulation of the National Scientific Prizes.

7. The specialist of scientific communications, foreign and public relations is charged with the notification of this decision.

- 8. The IT specialist is charged with publishing this decision.
- 9. This decision shall enter into force immediately.

Scientific Secretary

Vasil S. Tole