REGULATIONS
on a Badge of Honour of Russian public organization
"Russian Association of Statisticians"
for the best publication on statistics in the mass media

1. General Provisions

1.1. The Badge of Honour of the Russian public organization "Russian Association of Statisticians" for the best publication on statistics in the mass media (hereinafter - the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication) is established by the Russian public organization "Russian Association of Statisticians" (hereinafter - the RASt) and signifies the acknowledgement by the statistical community of the Russian Federation of a personal contribution of the awardee/ awardees to the development of statistics through the preparation of outstanding publications on statistical topic in the mass media.

1.2. The Badge of Honour for the Best Publication is awarded once every three years.

1.3. The Badge of Honour for the Best Publication is financed by private donations and donations from public organizations. A donation is not a reason for inclusion of person as a nominee and for obtaining a vote in determining the awardee.

1.4. The number of those awarded the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication in each of the nominations is determined by the number of co-authors of the work recognized as the winner.

1.5. In the absence of worthy candidates, the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication for the considered three-year period is not awarded.

2. Nominations for awarding the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication

2.1. Nominations for awarding the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication are:
- nomination 1: "For the best publication on the development of statistical methodology";
- nomination 2: "For the best publication based on statistical data";
- nomination 3: "For the best publication of a young author (under 30 years old)";
- nomination 4: "For the best publication on statistics in English."

3. The procedure for nominating candidates for the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication award

3.1. Badge of Honour for the Best Publication is awarded during the Open Russian Statistical Congress (ORSC).

3.2. Articles claiming the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication are submitted by the mass media (journals, newspapers, Internet sites) by the choice of their editorial boards.

3.3. One mass media proposes no more than one work claiming the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication in each of the nominations.

3.4. Articles published since the previous ORSC, that is, during the last three years, are allowed to take part in competition.

3.5. Publications with no more than two co-authors are allowed to compete.

3.6. Publications are sent by publishers to the RASt e-mail address no later than one month before the opening of the congress (Appendix 2).

4. The procedure for awarding the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication

4.1. The submitted works are posted on the special page of the RASt website and on the ORSC website for review and voting no later than one month before the opening of the congress.

4.2. Each registered participant of the ORSC and a member of the RASt has the right to vote for one of the publications posted on the websites in each of the nominations by electronic voting by informing the Organizing Committee of their choice via e-mail indicating their membership card number.

4.3. Voting ends 5 days before the start of the ORSC.

4.4. The RASt Academic Supervisor determines the winners on the basis of voting by congress participants and members of the RASt and announces them at the plenary session of the congress.

5. Award

5.1. Awarding the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication is made in a solemn ceremony at the ORSC or is handed over to the mass media chief editor for the solemn awarding procedure.

5.2. The Badge of Honour for the Best Publication awardee receives the badge and a certificate to the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication, signed by the Academic Supervisor and the Chairman of the RASt Board.

5.3. The mass media, which published the awarded article, receives a Certificate of publication of the best work on statistics in relevant nomination by the recognition of members of the Russian Association of Statisticians.

5.4. The register of winners and the mass media in which the awarded articles were published is posted on the RASt website.

6. Final provisions

6.1. The register of the recipients is maintained by the RASt Office on the RASt website.

6.2. In case of loss of a badge, a copy of the badge is not provided.

6.3. Appeal on decisions of the award committee is not accepted.

6.4. This provision comes into effect upon its approval by the Board of the RASt.

DESCRIPTION of
Badge of Honour
Russian public organization "Russian Association of Statisticians"
for the best publication on statistics in the mass media

The Badge of Honour for the Best Publication is a badge of 925 silver probe of 16x17 mm square shape. The badge is made in the form of an open book. The sigma letter is reproduced in the center of the book on the front side of the Badge of Honour for the Best Publication on the blue enamel surface.

On the reverse side of the RASt Badge of Honour an oval stamp of 925 probe and a serial number of the Badge of Honor are placed.

On the reverse side of the RASt Badge of Honour a clothing attachment pin is placed.

**The cover letter form for the mass media
to the articles submitted to the competition**

_____ (Name of mass media)

submits to the competition "The best publication on statistics in the mass media" of the Russian public organization "Russian Association of Statisticians" the following articles:

Nomination	Name of the publication	Author/s full name	№ and year of publication
The best publication on the development of statistical methodology			
The best publication based on statistical data			
The best publication of a young author (under 30 years old)			
The best publication on statistics in English			

Attachment: _____ PDF files

Chief editor _____ /_____ /

Ballot paper

ORSC participant _____ (full name)

RASt member_____ (membership card number)

I consider the best article in:

Nomination 1: For the best publication on the development of statistical methodology

_____ (Name of article, Full names of author/s)

Nomination 2: For the best publication based on statistical data

_____ (Name of article, Full names of author/s)

Nomination 3: For the best publication of a young author (under 30 years old)

_____ (Name of article, Full names of author/s)

Nomination 4: For the best publication on statistics in English

_____ (Name of article, Full names of author/s)