

## MINISTRY OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION National Agency of Civil Sevants

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## 12 awards granted by NACS for the 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive year

The National Agency of Civil Servants (NACS) organized the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the International Conference "Innovation and Quality in the Public Sector" in the period 17-19 October 2013, in Predeal-Pârâul Rece, Braşov County.

The event was attended by about 80 people, representatives of central and local public administration, academia, professional associative structures, the media, and representatives of European public administration, NACS's management being represented by Eugen COIFAN, President and Carmen DRĂGAN, Secretary General.

Experts in the field made presentations during the plenary sessions *The importance of new communication technologies for public administration development* and *Effective solutions for increasing the quality of public administration*, but it was notable that social media was a topic very well received and generated an interesting debate. The presentations were interactive and attracted the interest of the audience, engaging the people present in discussions.

The highlight of the event was **awarding the winning applications in the** *Competition of best practices in Romanian public administration*, conducted by NACS in April-June 2013. The winners were:

• Pillar 1 - Public administration between systemic constraints and human factor development:

I Place: Prefect's Institution Constanța County - Modernizing public administration in Constanța County - a county network

**II Place: Prefect's Institution Vâlcea County** - The Good practice guide for the secretary of administrative-territorial units

III Place: National Administration of Prisons - Multiart Festival for prisoners

Honorary Mention: Hunedoara County Police Inspectorate - Volunteer for my community

• Pillar 2 - Social media - a mechanism to facilitate dialogue with citizens:

I Place: Cluj County Council - Informal communication for global coverage, the use of Cluj County Council's Facebook account



II Place: General Directorate of Social Assistance and Child Protection 6<sup>th</sup> District - Communication with citizens through websites and social networks

**III Place: Prefect's Institution Timiş County** - Modernizing the work of Prefect's Institution Timiş County by using social media tools as a mechanism to provide information to citizens and simplify services offered to them

**Honorary Mention: Prahova County Council** - Integrated town-planning system for the management of the relationship with citizens

• Pillar 3 - Partnership - a successful formula for institutions performance for the benefit of citizens

I Place: Prefect's Institution Braşov County - Together to change the attitude towards drugs

II Place: Prefect's Institution Brăila County - Grandchildren for Grandparents

III Place: Taxation Public Service Constanța - Innovative way to pay taxes

**Honorary Mention: Prefect's Institution Timis County** - Mutually beneficial partnerships, successful formulas for institutions' performance and ways to social responsibility

"I would like to congratulate all those involved in the projects entered in the competition, innovation and quality being two necessary aspects for the work of an efficient public administration, especially in times of economic crisis", said the NACS's President, Eugen COIFAN.

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