

Press Release

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Call for applications for Regent Preis 2012

JKI-Institut für Rebenzüchtung Geilweilerhof and DLG TestService GmbH joint organizers of specialist competition – Wines of the Regent grape variety in expert test – Growing number of participants – Closing date for registrations for spring test: March, 30th, 2012

(DLG). The JKI-Institut für Rebenzüchtung Geilweilerhof and the DLG TestService GmbH have invited applications for the RegentPreis 2012. The Regent prizes awarded in Gold, Silver and Bronze are recognized as official quality awards. The RegentPreis competition is conducted in spring and autumn test sessions. The closing date for participation in the spring test is on March, 30th, 2012. Detailed information about the official quality competition is available at www.regent-forum.de.

The RegentPreis is awarded every year in two sessions in a spring and autumn test. Only wines of the "Regent" grape variety are admitted to participate in the competition. Wines that satisfy the high quality criteria receive the quality label Gold, Silver or Bronze recognized throughout the EU. The expert jury consists of experienced wine specialists acquainted with the special features of the "Regent" grape variety. Each wine is examined by a minimum number of four experts. The wines are tasted "blind" and assessed on the basis of the DLG 5-point scheme. The score of 5.0 is only awarded to wines that satisfy stringent quality standards and are without any fault.

Growing numbers of participants

The RegentPreis is arousing an increasing level of interest and new record participation was reported for the test year 2011. Altogether 94 wine growing estates (including five from the Netherlands and one from Switzerland) took part in this acknowledged specialist competition. This proves the growing popularity and naturally also the rising quality level of this relatively young red grape variety.

Special prize for "Best Regent Producer"

The best Regent producers of the competition year are determined. The JKI-Institut für Rebenzüchtung Geilweilerhof will award the special prize "Best Regent Producer" to the three best producer vineyards at the "International Green Week" fair in Berlin in January 2013.

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This press release is also available at www.regent-forum.de.