



Pavel Hlinka honoured with the Gaspart Bonet award

During the 84th HOTREC General Assembly in Prague, Mr Pavel Hlinka received the **Gaspart Bonet Foundation award** for his outstanding services in promoting the tourism and hospitality industry in the Czech Republic.



Mr Pavel Hlinka is a hotelier and one of the most prominent personalities in the tourism industry in the Czech Republic.

Since the 1980s, Mr Hlinka has held General Manager posts at prestigious international hotels, has trained many other successful hoteliers, and has significantly contributed to the quality increase of hospitality services in his country.

He was the founder and the first President of the **Czech Association of Hotels and Restaurants** (AHR CR) and has initiated the accession of AHR CR to HOTREC and the **Hotelstars Union**. He also successfully upheld the membership of AHR CR in the Czech Chamber of Commerce and the Czech Confederation of Commerce and Tourism. Today, Pavel Hlinka is involved in education and actively supports the AHR CR Foundation.

“We are proud to present the Gaspart Bonet Award to Mr Hlinka, with much gratitude for everything he has done for the Czech hospitality sector up to this day” stated Mr Václav Stárek, President of AHR CR.

“It is a pleasure to award this prize to Mr Pavel Hlinka. During his many years of service as a hotelier, Mr Hlinka’s work has left a significant mark on the Czech tourism and hospitality industry: today we are proud to celebrate his outstanding career,” commented Mr Jens Zimmer Christensen, President of HOTREC.

About the award

The Gaspart Bonet Foundation award is delivered twice a year to a personality who has contributed, in a remarkable manner, and/or for a significant number of years, to the activities of the hospitality industry. The award was designed by Miquel Planas, famous artist and chairman of Sculpture Department of Fine Arts of the Fine Arts Faculty of Barcelona.

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What is HOTREC?

HOTREC is the umbrella Association of Hotels, Restaurants, Bars and Cafés and similar establishments in Europe, which brings together 47 National associations in 35 countries, and is the voice of the European hospitality. HOTREC’s mission is to represent and champion its interests towards the EU and international institutions, foster knowledge sharing and best practice among its Members to further promote innovation, and act as a platform of expertise for the hospitality sector.