Enterprise

In the Enterprise category, the Progress 2013 award went to Neurosoft Sp. z o.o. The award was received by Director Andrzej Ołow. Neurosoft Sp. z o.o. was awarded for NeuroCar 2.0 – a system for identifying overloaded vehicles in traffic. The application of a solution based on the video identification of vehicles makes it possible to send to central management systems data on the vehicle such as a number plate, make and model.

Another award in the Enterprise category was granted to Zakład Usług Brukarskich "Adrog". The award was received by President Adam Dybcio. Zakład Usług Brukarskich "Adrog", specialising in providing comprehensive road works services, was awarded for the introduction of mineral road surfaces. It is a low-cost and environment-friendly surface used in parks and roads. Walking does not wear it out, it lets through water and is available in a variety of colours. The company has laid pavements in places such as the Pilsudski Square, the Warsaw Old Town and Lazienki Park in Warsaw. Yet another enterprise that received the award was 3M Poland, represented by Managing Director Xavier Douellou.
Currently 3M Poland employs over 1,200 people and its commercial package includes more than 10,000 products. 3M’s innovative products have considerably enhanced Poles’ living standards. The award was granted for the development of new abrasive wheels bonded with Cubitron grain. By applying an innovative triangular-shaped abrasive grain, processing efficiency has been much improved and tool service life extended.

Another winner of the Progress 2013 Pearl of Innovation award in the Enterprise category was BSH Sprzęt Gospodarstwa Domowego Sp. z o.o. The company was represented by President Konrad Pokutycki. BSH was awarded first of all for its innovative solutions in the area of environment protection. The technological solutions applied in devices produced by BSH enable its products to achieve the highest energy-saving parameters. BSH was one of the first companies in the home-appliances industry to introduce new energy-saving labels, as early as at the end of 2010.

Scientific Establishment

In the Scientific Establishment category the Progress 2013 Pearl of Innovation award went to the Foundry Research Institute. The award was received by Jerzy Sobczak, Director of the Institute.
work – numerous patents and research and development projects applied in the energy sector, municipal heating and the coke industry. The other aspect of Professor Ściażko’s activities recognised by the jury is his outstanding and constructive work on promoting innovation in Poland – as Chairman of the Innovation and Implementation Commission of the Main Council of the Research Institutes. The Progress 2013 Pearl of Innovation award was also granted to Professor Jerzy Kątcki, D.Sc., Eng., Vice-Director of the Institute of Electron Technology (ITE) and Chairman of the Council of the National Centre for Research and Development (NCBR) the area of nanostructures and nanoelectronic devices with his involvement in promoting research in Poland, as Chairman of the Council of the National Centre for Research and Development. Professor Kątcki has been involved in the development of innovative methods for characterising semiconductor structures and devices implemented in the laboratories of the Institute of Electron Technology. These methods make it possible to optimise advanced production technologies for semiconductor lasers, detectors, micro- and nano-systems, and innovative electronic and photonic devices.