

The Standing Committee of the International Colloquia for Group-Theoretical Methods in Physics established the Hermann Weyl Prize to provide recognition for young scientists who have performed original work of significant quality in the area of understanding of physics through symmetries. The Hermann Weyl Prize in 2006 was awarded to Bojko Bakalov for his major contributions in the theory of finite pseudo algebras and vertex algebras which are of primal importance to the application of Lie algebraic methods in particular to 2-dimensional conformally invariant quantum field theories through a selection committee with J.-P. Gazeau (Chairman), K. Fredenhagen, L. Faddeev, A. Kostelecky, S. Ranjbar-Daemi.

This is the third Hermann Weyl Prize. The first one was awarded to Edward Frenkel (UC, Berkeley, Math. Dept.) at the 24th International Colloquium in Paris, 2002. The second prize was awarded to Nikita A. Nekrasov (IHES, Bures sur Yvette) at the 25th International Colloquium in Cocoyoc, Mexico, 2004.

