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## BSE-Sofia announces the winners in the first CFA scholarships contest

The winners in the first CFA scholarships contest organised by the Bulgarian Stock Exchange Sofia - AD are Mr. Filip Ognyanov Stanimirov, financial coordinator in a pharmaceutical research company, and Mr. Konstantin Bogdanov Gavalyugov, expert in an asset management company.

BSE-Sofia will support them by covering the registration fee for the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Level I exam.

The competition consisted of two phases, pre-selection based on documents and a mock exam. Twelve from seventeen candidates passed successfully the exam carried out in cooperation with Kaplan Schweser financial exams training company at the end of last month. The two winners have achieved the highest score at the exam.

"I do congratulate the winners and their competitors. They all possess qualities that ensure excellent professional career and encourage us to continue to support young and talented professionals" said Ivan Takev, CEO of Bulgarian Stock Exchange Sofia - AD.

The scholarships are granted within the initiatives on the occasion of 100 years capital market in Bulgaria celebrated by BSE-Sofia in order to provide support to the young financial experts in the country. This competition is designated to be held every year henceforth.

Here you can download photographs of the winners and the festive opening of the trading session <a href="http://ldrv.ms/1A70mU1">http://ldrv.ms/1A70mU1</a>.