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OPINION

of Prof. Lyudmil Yordanov Spasov,

Member of the Scientific Jury in a procedure announced by the Institute for Historical Studies, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia (Bulgaria) for the academic rank of "Professor" in the Area of Higher Education 2. Humanities; Professional Field 2.2 History and Archeology; Scientific Specialty "Modern and Recent Bulgarian History"

Rositsa Stoyanova is the only applicant in the procedure for the academic rank of "Professor". She holds the position of "Doctor in History", Educational and Scientific Degree acquired in 1990 and "Associate Professor" in Modern and Recent Bulgarian History, an academic rank awarded to her in 2004.

The scientific production of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rositsa Stoyanova amounts to 76 publications, of which 63 are outside the topic of acquiring the position of "Associate Professor". She participated in the procedure for "professor" with 1 monograph, 33 studies and articles, 4 collective works, 4 documentary collections, 2 encyclopedias, one of which is in three volumes, 9 reviews.

In the book "Spodelenata otgovornost" (Shared Responsibility) presented as a habilitation work (co-authored with Prof. Veska Nikolova) Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rositsa Stoyanova has developed chapters three and four, covering the period 1918-1944. They have the merits of an independent monographic thesis and can be analyzed as an independent scientific work. The main thesis of the author that the 19 May coup d'état brought "more state in all areas of public life", the social sphere included, is well argued.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Stoyanova is the compiler and editor, together with Prof. Veska Nikolova, of the encyclopedia "Philanthropy ..." in three volumes, evaluated in 2011 in the annual report of Bulgarian Academy of Sciences as an achievement of the Institute for Historical Studies. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Stoyanova is the author of 162 encyclopedic articles in total in the three volumes.

The works of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Stoyanova are well known and many times cited. Fourteen of her publications as an author and co-author have been reviewed in authoritative scientific journals. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Stoyanova is the scientific supervisor of the successfully defended doctoral students Krassimira Tsvetanova Uzunova (December 28, 2009) and Stefan Nikolov Shivachev (July 12, 2018). She participated in the writing of Volume 9 of "History of Bulgaria". She is a member of the Scientific Council of the Institute for Historical Studies at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, of the Editorial Board of the journal "Istoricheski Pregled" (Historical Review).

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Stoyanova has participated in 7 research projects, of which 1 has not been completed. Since 2014 she has been the head of the "Modern Bulgarian History" section. The ability of Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rositsa Stoyanova to work in a team, to lead, organize and coordinate the activities of research teams is impressive. Her researches are in-depth and valuable. With full conviction, I recommend to the Honorable Jury to award Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rositsa Stoyanova the academic rank of "Professor" in the Scientific Specialty "Modern and Recent History".

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In the book "Spodelenata otgovornost" (Shared Responsibility) presented as a habilitation work, co-authored with Prof. Veska Nikolova, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zvezdana Stoyanova, Lyudmila Spasova and other authors, the author has demonstrated a high level of scientific and methodological competence, as well as a deep understanding of the historical and social context of the phenomena studied.

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Stoyanova has a long and distinguished career in the field of history and social sciences. Her researches and publications have contributed significantly to the understanding of the complex processes of social change and development in Bulgaria and the Balkans.

Her researches and publications have been widely recognized and cited in the international academic community. She has also participated in numerous international conferences and seminars, contributing to the advancement of knowledge in her field.