

## Winners of the Competition "Competence - 2020" were presented with awards

The Competence Competition has been held annually since 2011 with the aim of identifying and rewarding the best accredited conformity assessment bodies that are involved in product quality control, have achieved significant success in the field of service quality in certain categories and have implemented highly effective quality management methods and practices.

The main branches of the industrial complex, leading enterprises, largest manufacturers and exporters of the Republic of Belarus were presented at the forum. In this regard, the solemn ceremony of awarding the winners of the Competition "Competence - 2020" is an opportunity to mark in a special way those who confirm the safety and quality of products and services provided both in the Belarusian market and within the framework of Eurasian integration, improve their activities taking into account the advanced international practice, thereby increasing the reputation of domestic manufacturers.

Among the winners is our Certification Body for Management Systems of Polotsk CSMS. The award ceremony was opened by the director of the Belarusian State Accreditation Center Yevgeny Viktorovich Berezhnykh. In his speech, he emphasized that modern manufacturers are in a state of intense competition for sales markets both within the country and on the external circuit. The market dictates high requirements for the safety and quality of products and services. Intense competition requires manufacturers to confirm their ability to consistently produce products of appropriate quality. Reliable conformity assessment protects the consumer from purchasing substandard and dangerous products and services. E.V. Berezhnykh noted that, presenting awards to the winners of the competition, the accreditation body recognizes the most successful organizations that make a significant contribution to ensuring an objective assessment of the conformity of products and services provided, as well as honored employees of the accreditation body and technical experts. Continuing the event, Director of BSCA Evgeny Berezhnykh and Head of the Conformity Assessment and Licensing Department of the State Committee for Standardization of the Republic of Belarus Olga Bobko presented awards to the winners of the competition and accreditation experts.