

## The Finnish Federation received a recognition

In Finland the year 2016 has been a *Green Year*, appointed by the Ministry of the Environment. The aim of the year was to stimulate individuals, communities, organizations and companies to work for a better and more comfortable living environment. The theme of the year was ‘*My landscape in the countryside and in the city*’. This was the fifth *Green Year* – the previous have been arranged in 1985, 1995, 2000 and 2008.

The closing event of the *Green Year* was arranged October 27<sup>th</sup> 2016 in the prestigious House of the Estates in Helsinki. During the event there was a ceremony, where 26 individuals, organizations and companies were awarded with a *Green Year Medal*. One of the awarded was The Finnish Federation for Allotment Gardeners. The Federation received the medal for “**its meritorious work for an environment important, healthy and comfortable for everyone**”. The medal was received by President Pertti Laitila and Administrator Tina Wessman of the Finnish Federation.



*President Pertti Laitila and Administrator Tina Wessman in the awarding ceremony (photo: Raimo Ikonen)*



*The Medal*



*„House of the Estates“*