



REC-105: Founder's Award – July 15, 2010

Purpose

The Founder's Award is a highly prestigious award intended to recognize an individual INCOSE member who has made major contributions to INCOSE, be they a single event or significant events over sustained period of service.

Eligibility

Contributions should be of a highly significant nature and contribute positively to the advancement of INCOSE or an INCOSE Chapter. A few examples of such contributions would include, but not be limited to; extending INCOSE's international growth, developing new Chapters, significantly advancing INCOSE's professional status and making significant personal commitments to INCOSE such as long-term service in a leadership role.

Nomination

Any INCOSE member in good standing may initiate a Founder's Award nomination but they may only nominate or provide a letter of reference for one (1) Founder per year. The nominator shall prepare a nomination letter describing the nominator's qualifications for making the nomination and the contributions made by the nominee that qualify them for consideration for this award. The nomination letter must be accompanied by a minimum of three (3) detailed letters of support, each letter from a different INCOSE member other than the nominator, who are also members in good standing. At least one letter of support shall be from a past President. Each letter of support shall state the supporter's qualifications for supporting the nomination and why they believe the nominee is qualified for consideration for this award.

Posthumous nominations will not be accepted.

The nominator shall assemble the nomination letter and letters of support into a nomination package and submit the nomination package to the Chair of the Honors and Awards Committee not later than 28 February for consideration. Nomination packages received after that date will not be considered.

Selection

The Honors and Awards Committee (see CMT-100) shall evaluate the Founder's Award nomination packages and make a rank-ordered recommendation to the Board of Directors with a maximum of three (3) candidates for the Founder's Award. The Board of Directors shall approve the Founder's Award recipient at the Second Calendar Quarter Board of Directors Meeting by voted resolution.



Once the Board of Directors' approval decision is made, the Chair of the Honors and Awards Committee shall prepare the citation for the Award and provide the Citation to the INCOSE Secretary within two (2) weeks following the Board of Directors' decision.

Presentation

One (1) Founder's Award will be presented annually at the International Symposium.

The Founder's award will be announced at the annual International Symposium with a reading of the citation. An appropriate memento of recognition and a red sweater will be presented to the recipient either at the International Symposium or at the earliest appropriate opportunity thereafter.

Recipients of the Founder's Award shall be granted for their personal use, free registration and one (1) additional free banquet ticket at the annual International Symposium in the year of their award.

SUPERSEDES: April 17, 2009

APPROVED BY: INCOSE Board of Directors, Chicago, IL USA, July 15, 2010

MAINTAINED BY: President-Elect