



International Council on Systems Engineering

*A better world through a systems approach*

# **AWARDS & RECOGNITION YEARBOOK 2023**



## ***Message from the INCOSE President***



**MARILEE WHEATON**

Dear INCOSE community,

Our journey through 2023 has been one of collaboration, innovation, and shared learning, all fueled by the commitment of our wonderful members and volunteers. INCOSE is not just an organization; it's a community where each member brings something special, contributing to our shared mission to advance systems engineering.

The Awards and Recognition Yearbook is a testament to the extraordinary efforts of our dedicated members, chapters, and working groups. They consistently go above and beyond to advance the field of Systems Engineering, champion the cause of INCOSE, and lend crucial support to fellow global colleagues in honing their skills as Systems Engineers. We hope you enjoy reading through the yearbook, and if you find yourself fueled with inspiration, consider taking an active role in shaping the future of INCOSE.

If you find yourself thinking, "I can make a difference too," I encourage you to explore our volunteer page ([www.incose.org/volunteer](http://www.incose.org/volunteer)) for current opportunities, or reach out to your local chapter to discover how you can make a difference. For additional information or inquiries about volunteering with INCOSE, please do not hesitate to contact us at [voadmin@incose.net](mailto:voadmin@incose.net). We're always excited to welcome new faces and fresh perspectives!

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to INCOSE and to the advancement of systems engineering. Together, we will continue to shape the future of our discipline and make the world better through a systems approach.

Best regards,  
Marilee Wheaton, INCOSE President and Fellow





**FELLOWS  
AWARD  
2023**

# The Fellows Award

**INCOSE Fellows are individuals with significant verifiable contributions to the art and practice of Systems Engineering in industry, government or academia. This award recognizes practitioners from government and industry applying knowledge and contributing to the practice of systems engineering in designing and acquiring systems, researchers developing new knowledge, pushing the theory forward, and teachers disseminating knowledge and developing the next generation of successful systems engineers.**



**FELLOWS  
AWARD  
2023**

## 2023 Fellows



Fellows Award Video



***Eun Suk Suh***

For contribution to system architecture design research and practice across academia and industry



***Kerry Lunney***

For technical and programmatic leadership on large-scale defense programs that resulted in high impact outcomes



***Thomas McDermott***

For consistently researching, developing and applying systems engineering tools to different domains, and for advancing the use of systems thinking tools in systems engineering practice





# Chapter Circle Awards

Local chapters play an essential role in the achievement of INCOSE's goals and objectives. Far more than local administrative units, chapters are performing units that organize a multitude of professional and social programs, conduct membership recruitment and retention drives, support technical activities striving to advance the state and art of systems engineering, and market INCOSE as the international authoritative body on systems engineering. Through the annual chapter awards program, INCOSE has the opportunity to recognize the valuable contributions of individual INCOSE chapters as they strive to enrich, educate, and enlighten the INCOSE membership, while improving recognition of INCOSE and the systems engineering profession.

To best encourage and incentivize activities at the local level, a chapter awards program should acknowledge all contributions worthy of recognition. As such, the annual awards program includes the Platinum Circle, Gold Circle, Silver Circle, and Bronze Circle awards to recognize all chapters that meet and exceed INCOSE's standards for local service and contributions. To acknowledge the special effort required to significantly improve an INCOSE chapter, the awards program establishes the Director's Award for Most Improved Chapter. Finally, to provide meaningful recognition of chapter excellence, INCOSE presents annually the President's Award for Outstanding Chapter.

The goals of this program are to:

- Recognize achievements at the chapter level;
- Clarify and incentivize desired activities and behavior at the chapter level;
- Improve sharing of good and best practices between chapters; and,
- Encourage effort and innovation in serving INCOSE members at the local level.

All awards are administered by the Chapters Committee and awarded annually. The awards recognize chapter performance on a calendar year basis (January-December).

# Bronze Chapter Circle Award



Chapter Awards Video

*Recognizing chapters for striving toward the highest goals and standards established by our organization*



**Midwest  
Gateway**



# Silver Chapter Circle Award



Chapter Awards Video

*Recognizing chapters for performing to the highest goals and standards established by our organization*



## Michigan

MICHIGAN



## Great Plains



## Washington Metro



## Southern Maryland



# Silver Chapter Circle Award



Chapter Awards Video

*Recognizing chapters for performing to the highest goals and standards established by our organization*

**North Texas**



**Seattle Metro**



CHAPTER CIRCLE  
**SILVER  
AWARD**

**Spain**



**Canada**



**Texas Gulf Coast**





# Silver Chapter Circle Award



Chapter Awards Video

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**Canada**



**Spain**



**North Texas**



**Seattle Metro**



# Gold Chapter Circle Award



Chapter Awards Video

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established by our organization*



**Chicagoland**



**Finger Lakes**





# Platinum Chapter Circle Award



Chapter Awards Video

*Recognizing chapters for striving toward the highest goals and standards  
established by our organization*

## Chesapeake



## Italia



CHAPTER CIRCLE  
PLATINUM  
AWARD

## San Diego



## Los Angeles



# Platinum Chapter Circle Award



Chapter Awards Video

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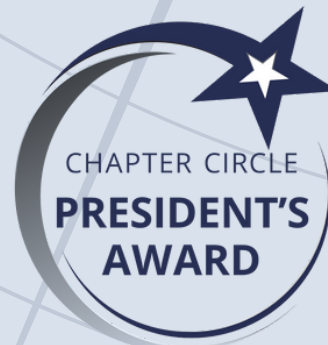


# President's Chapter Circle Award



Chapter Awards Video

*For Outstanding Chapter*



**Italia**



# Director's Chapter Circle Award



Chapter Awards Video

*For Most Improved Performance*



## Finger Lakes





# Pioneer Award

**The Pioneer Award is presented annually to one distinguished individual or team, who by their achievements in the engineering of systems, has contributed uniquely to major products or outcomes enhancing society or its needs. The criteria may apply to a single outstanding outcome or a lifetime of significant achievements in effecting successful systems.**

**The Pioneer Award recognizes outstanding pioneer-applications of Systems Engineering in the development of successful products or services of benefit to society. Examples include applying systems engineering principles to unique, highly complex problems; the successful application of systems engineering to brand new market segments and outstanding examples of advancing the state of the art and /or practice of systems engineering beyond its current bounds.**



# 2023 Pioneer Award



Pioneer Award Video



**Dov Dori**

*For his seminal work as a researcher and educator,  
and most successfully transitioning research to practice*



**FOUNDER'S  
AWARD  
2023**

# Founder's Award

**The Founder's Award is a highly prestigious award presented annually to one distinguished member of INCOSE who has made a major contribution to INCOSE. The award recognizes outstanding individual contributions to INCOSE, be they a single event or a lifetime of significant efforts. These contributions are of a highly significant nature and contribute positively to the advancement of INCOSE or an INCOSE Chapter. Examples of such contributions include 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.**

# 2023 Founder's Award



Founder's Award Video



**Steve Dam**

*For decades of sustained contributions as chapter president for the San Diego and WMA chapter, director for the Americas sector and as author of recognized books and conference papers*





# Influencer Award

**INCOSE recognizes efforts and achievements of a person(s) who has been instrumental in influencing the acceptance, adoption, and implementation of systems engineering. They have had a significant effect on influencing decision-makers, markets, industries, and/or cultures to recognize the value of systems engineering and adopt or significantly increase the usage of systems engineering.**

# 2023 Influencer Award



Influencer Award Video



## Dr. Yogananda Jeppu

*For his significant contributions and community outreach  
in adoption of systems modeling and model-based  
systems engineering in industry and academia in India*





# Outstanding Service Award

**Awards for outstanding service are presented to recognize INCOSE members who have contributed significant volunteer effort on behalf of INCOSE.**



## 2023 Outstanding Service Award



Outstanding Service  
Award Video



### James Adams

*For sustained excellence in supporting the ColoradoFront Range Chapter, Western States Regional Conference, and as a liaison with multiple AcEq Programs supporting the INCOSE Certification Program*



### Valkand Jhaveri

*For years of exceptional sustained effort of working at local, regional, national and international events supporting INCOSE and increasing awareness to other professional societies*

# 2023 Outstanding Service Award



Outstanding Service  
Award Video



## Carlo Leardi

*For promoting systems engineering through the establishment of AISE and subsequently the conduction of many events and initiatives*



## Dorothy McKinney

*For developing an INCOSE-wide mentoring strategy, and successfully implementing the pilot phase of that strategy*

# 2023 Outstanding Service Award



Outstanding Service  
Award Video



## Angelinda Rush

*For outstanding support as the Colorado Front Range Technical Program Director including serving as Program Chair for the Western States Regional Conference*



## Mark Winstead

*For his contributions to the field of systems engineering and his efforts to promote the importance of security and trustworthiness*



# Systems Engineering Journal Outstanding Paper Award

**Awarded to a paper that was judged to have made an Outstanding  
Contribution to Systems Engineering Theory, Practice, and/or Perspectives**

## Outstanding Paper Award



*Everett Oliver*



*Thomas Mazzuchi*



*Shahram Sarkani*

**“A resilient systemic model for assessing critical supply chain disruptions”**

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# SE Journal Reviewer of the Year Award

**Awarded to an individual who is judged to have made an Outstanding Contribution to Systems Engineering for an outstanding effort in terms of both quantity and quality for peer reviewing manuscripts for the journal Systems Engineering**



# Journal Reviewer of the Year



SE Journal Reviewer  
Award Video



## Alejandro Salado

*The University of Arizona*



# Best Paper Awards

**INCOSE shall recognize selected papers as “BEST” at their International Symposium (IS). Categories for best papers include the best student paper and best papers related to selected Systems Engineering (SE) topics.**

## 2023 Best Paper - MBSE



Best Paper Awards Video



**Ryan Noguchi**

*The Aerospace Corporation*

**“Architecting Descriptive Models for MBSE”**

*Paper Category: MBSE*



## 2023 Best Paper - Lean SE

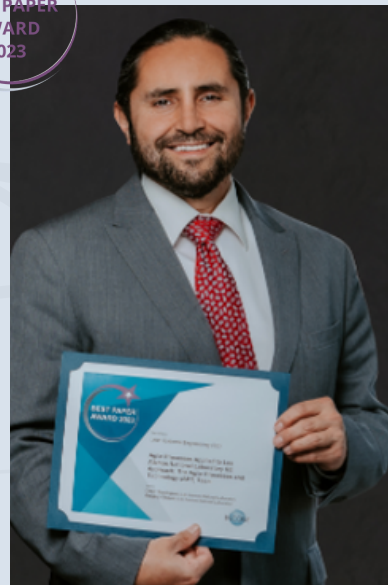


Best Paper Awards Video



**Owen Dominguez**

*Los Alamos National Laboratory*



**Gregory Chavez**

*Los Alamos National Laboratory*

**“Agile Processes Applied to Los Alamos National Laboratory SE Approach: The Agile Processes and Technology (APT) Team”**

*Paper Category: Lean Systems Engineering (SE)*

# 2023 Best Paper Modeling/Simulation/Analysis



Best Paper Awards Video



**Gregory J. Pierce**

*NASA's Lyndon B. Johnson  
Space Center*



**Joshua D. Heeren**

*NASA's Lyndon B. Johnson  
Space Center*



**Terry R. Hill**

*NASA's Lyndon B. Johnson  
Space Center*

**"Orion SysML Model, Digital Twin, and Lessons  
Learned for Artemis I"**

*Paper Category: Modeling/Simulation/Analysis*

## 2023 Best Paper Teaching and Training



Best Paper Awards Video



**Dov Dori**

*Technion, Israel Institute  
of Technology*



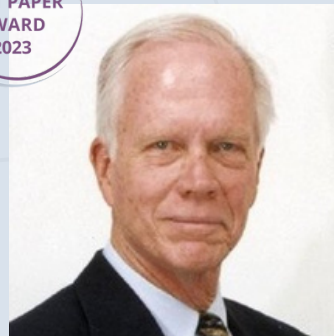
**Dorothy McKinney**

*Retired*



**Gan Wang**

*Dassault Systemes*



**Scott Jackson**

*Burnham Systems*

**"I-SHARE - INCOSE Systems Heuristics Application Repository:  
Sharing Systems Engineering Knowhow and Experience"**

*Paper Category: Teaching and Training*



# 2023 Best Paper Agile Systems Engineering



Best Paper Awards Video



**Rick Dove**

*Independent*



**Kerry Lunney**

*Thales Australia*



**Michael Orosz**

*University of Southern  
California*



**Michael Yokell**

*Independent*

## “Agile Systems Engineering - Eight Core Aspects”

*Paper Category: Agile Systems Engineering (SE)*

# 2023 Brian Mar Best Student Paper



Brian Mar Best Student  
Paper Award Video



**Ibukun Phillips**

*Purdue University*

**"System Verification via Model-Checking: A Case Study  
of an Autonomous Multi-Differential Drive Robot"**



# Working Groups Awards

**Awards are presented to recognize INCOSE Working Groups who have contributed significant volunteer effort on behalf of INCOSE.**



# Achieving the Systems Engineering Vision 2022



Achieving the Systems Engineering Vision Award is presented to the Working Group that has made the most significant contribution toward achieving the Systems Engineering Vision.

## Digital Engineering Information Exchange Working Group (DEIXWG)



Sean McGervey  
*Chair*



Frank Salvatore  
*Co-Chair*



Tamara Hambrick  
*Co-Chair*



Terri Chan  
*Co-Chair*



Celia Tseng  
*Co-Chair*

The DEIXWG has been extremely active in contributing to achievement of the SE Vision 2035 via its efforts to develop an ISO-standardized ontological framework and lexicon for specifying model-based digital artifacts and digital views exchanged between stakeholders across heterogeneous digital engineering ecosystems. Their contributions have moved the community closer to achieving the goals of the “Practices” and “Tools and Environments” areas of the SE Vision 2035 Roadmap. After developing the Digital Viewpoint Model (DVM) ontology and accompanying tutorial sessions and workshop examples, the DEIXWG is actively working with ISO/IEC AHG6/SC7 to standardize a lexicon of DE concepts and terminology via collaboration across the Industry, Government, and Academic organizations.

# Sustained Performance 2022



Sustained Performance award is presented to an individual Working Group that has provided exemplary value to INCOSE stakeholders over a multi-year period.

## Israeli Human Systems Integration (HSI) Working Group



Ami Harel  
*Chair*

The Israeli HSI Working Group was founded in 2016 as a result of an initiative of seasoned Israeli Systems Engineers (SE) and Human Factors Engineers (HFE), with the leadership and guidance of Prof. Guy Boy. Since its creation, it has developed a methodology for integrating HFE activities into SE processes and has disseminated around Israel principles for the successful integration of HFE. It has also integrated advanced technologies from the Industry 4.0 domain, and initiated HSI and MBSE in various articles and presentations. On the international stage, the Israeli Human Systems Integration Working Group co-led the 2020 international HSI Workshop with Prof. Guy Boy, is a contributor to the HSI chapter in SE Handbook, the HSI PRIMER, and is a board member of the international HSI WG.

# Collaboration Award 2022



The Collaboration Award is presented to the leadership of the Working Groups that have demonstrated the most exemplary collaboration in working with other Working Groups and/or other INCOSE stakeholders.

## Smart Cities Initiative



Jennifer Russell  
*Chair*



Marcel van de Ven  
*Co-Chair*



Rael Kopace  
*Co-Chair*

Since its establishment, the Smart Cities Initiative has been conscientiously collaborating. Its scope encompasses nearly every aspect of INCOSE resources. Internal collaboration occurs through shared resources and knowledge, collaboration at IW, and team member participation. It involves the MBSE, Architecture, Social Systems, CIPR, System of Systems, Infrastructure and Transportation WGs, as well as many local chapters. External partners include the IEC (Category A Liaison), the European Technology Chamber (EUTEC), and the cities of Ulaanbaatar (Mongolia), Monterey (Cal., USA), and Kansas City (Mo., USA). Presentations were made to the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), and to the Systems Engineering Society of Australia.



# Outreach Award 2022



Outreach Award is presented to the Working Group, or combination of Working Groups, that has made the most significant contribution to the development of INCOSE in a non-aerospace/defence domain, and/or outside of the USA.

## Requirements Working Group (RWG)



Tami Katz  
*Chair*



Lou Wheatcraft  
*Co-Chair*



Mike Ryan  
*Co-Chair*



Raymond Wolfgang  
*Co-Chair*

The primary goal of the RWG is to expand and promote the body of knowledge of needs and requirements and their benefits within the Systems Engineering (SE) community. The RWG has developed, published, and maintained multiple products that are available to members and non-members across the globe, such as the Guide to Writing Requirements, translated into multiple languages, and the "Needs and Requirements" (NRM), accepted by Wiley for publication. The public facing webpage, RWG Exchange Cafes, YouTube channel, and pre-IW sessions promote INCOSE and demonstrate the value of individual practitioners of SE and organizations of becoming part of the INCOSE community. The RWG outreach activities have and continue to make a significant contribution to the development of INCOSE in all domains across the globe.

# Product of the Year 2022



Product of the Year award is presented to the Working Group that, either independently or working in collaboration with other Working Groups and/or other INCOSE stakeholders, has developed and published the product which is considered to provide the most significant value to INCOSE's stakeholders.

## Requirements Working Group (RWG)



Kathy Baksa  
*Principle Author*



Jeremy Dick  
*Principal Author*



Tami Katz  
*Principal Author*



Kevin Orr  
*Principal Author*



Michael Ryan  
*Principle Author*



Lou Wheatcraft  
*Principal Author*



Raymond Wolfgang  
*Principal Author*



Rick Zinni  
*Principal Author*

For developing and publishing the Needs and Requirements Manual as a flagship product along with three companion publications (Guide to Needs and Requirements, Guide to Verification and Validation, and Guide to Writing Requirements) that as a set provide practical guidance on systems engineering lifecycle concepts and activities.

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## SE Vision 2035 Team



Christopher Davey



Sanford Friedenthal (Lead)



Sky Matthews



David Nichols



Paul Nielsen



Christopher Oster



Emma Sparks



Garry Roedler



Paul Schreinemakers



Taylor Riethle



Heinz Stoewer (CTO)

For developing and publishing the Systems Engineering Vision 2035 which is offered as a community service from the International Council on Systems Engineering (INCOSE). This vision serves as an inspiration to engineers, policy makers, and other professionals as a valuable reference in the formation and direction of their future paths and strategies.



# International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) Awards

**INCOSE has participated in the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) as a Special Award Organization since 2009, to provide awareness of systems engineering for very talented high school students all over the globe. Our awards include a first and second place for the INCOSE Best Use of Systems Engineering, and a new award donated by the INCOSE Foundation, the INCOSE Foundation Bill Ewald Award.**

## ISEF Awards



ISEF and Stevens  
Awards Video



**Ethan Zentner**

*First Place Best Use of  
Systems Engineering Award*



**Rohan Singh**

*Second Place Best Use of  
Systems Engineering Award*



**Israa Shawabka**

*Bill Ewald Socio-Technical  
Systems Engineering*



**Ibukun Phillips**

*Stevens Doctoral Award for  
Promising Research in  
Systems Engineering*



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# *Congratulations*

*to all those recognised*

*Alejandro Salado*  
*Angelinda Rush*  
*Canada Chapter*  
*Carlo Leardi*  
*Chesapeake Chapter*  
*Chicagoland Chapter*  
*Dorothy McKinney*  
*Dov Dori*  
*Ethan Zentner*  
*Eun Suk Suh*  
*Everett Oliver*  
*Finger Lakes Chapter*  
*Gan Wang*  
*Great Plains Chapter*  
*Gregory Chavez*  
*Gregory J. Pierce*  
*Ibukun Phillips*  
*Israa Shawabka*  
*Italia Chapter*  
*James Adams*  
*Joshua D. Heeren*  
*Kerry Lunney*  
*Los Angeles Chapter*  
*Mark Winstead*

*Michael Orosz*  
*Michael Yokell*  
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