

IRPA YOUNG SCIENTISTS AND PROFESSIONALS AWARD-2023 IN RADIATION PROTECTION

Purpose of the Award

The uses of radiation require the education and training of qualified scientists and professionals in the field of radiation protection and safety to ensure high competences in this field. The purpose of this award is therefore to promote the undertaking of investigation effort by young scientists and professionals working in radiation protection in all its fields of competence. Also, there should be important opportunity to present the work in an oral form to an experienced audience of experts and peers.

This award is created as a prize for work done by young scientists and professionals, in order to help promote the interest and expertise of the new generations in the field of radiation protection in the different regions, rewarding dedication and excellence. It also aims to encourage youth participation in the activities of the Associate Societies of Radiation Protection around the world, consistent with the objectives of the International Radiation Protection Association (IRPA).

Rules

To qualify for this distinction young scientists and professionals are required to:

- a) be under 35 years, or in exceptional cases if the candidate is older, be in the first five years of their career in radiation protection
- b) be the main author of a paper whose abstract has been approved by the Scientific Committee or Board of the candidate's Radiation Protection Associate Society in that Region
- c) if the work has more than one author, obtain the written consent of the other authors for the main author to be the candidate for the award
- d) be officially designated by the relevant Associate Society in the Region of the Congress.

The candidate's Associate Society is required to:

- e) nominate their candidate(s) to the Congress organisers in accordance with the congress rules. For a Regional Congress the rules could allow for each society to present at most two candidates. Only one candidate per society is allowed for the International Congresses.
- f) submit the candidate's paper, according to the format and timescale stipulated by the Congress, for its evaluation by the Jury. The paper must be received at least one month before the start of the Conference, in order to allow the organisers to qualify the paper as part of the competition.
- g) ensure that the candidate for the award can participate in the Congress and make an oral presentation of the paper. In case the candidate cannot assure his/her participation due to financial constraints, he/she will be able to apply for any of the scholarships that sponsoring organizations are able to grant. Normally the candidate's Associate Society should ensure that the applicant can participate, where necessary by providing financial support.

Participation in this competition implies acceptance of these rules. Any doubt about the interpretation of these rules will be resolved by the Congress Organising Committee.

The nominations may please be sent to the following address on or before December 20, 2022.

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Award will be presented to selected nominee during the forthcoming 6th Asian & Oceanic Congress for Radiation Protection (AOCR6), to be held during February 7-11, 2023 at Nehru Centre, Worli, Mumbai.