DIVISION VI
DISTINGUISHED LEADERSHIP AWARD

Approved by the Division VI Presidents on 17 June 2016 at their meeting in New Brunswick, NJ USA

Description

The Distinguished Leadership Award is given for an achievement(s) or contribution(s) that propagates the Fields of Interest of more than one IEEE Division VI Society, to other Societies within the Division, and/or, to the wider IEEE, and/or to appropriate organizations outside IEEE.

Existing Awards

There are no Division VI awards.

Administration

The Distinguished Leadership Award will be administered by the Division VI Awards Committee. The Awards Committee will manage all phases of the award process, and, their decision in regard to the recipient(s) will be final.

Eligibility

An individual(s) nominated for this award must be an IEEE member of any grade. In exceptional cases, the Awards Committee can select a non-IEEE member or an organization.

Nature of the Award – Prize Item

The award consists of a certificate and plaque, which will be presented at an event that is mutually agreeable to the recipient and the Chair of the Division VI’s Awards Committee. The costs will be paid from the Division Directors budget. No travel/hotel funding is available for the recipient or presenter of the award.

Number of Awards

It is expected that there could be multiple recipients of this award. But there shall be no more than 4 recipients selected in any year. The award committee may opt to not select any recipients for the award. If there is a team of recipients selected, the Awards Committee may opt to count the ‘team’ as one recipient or may opt to count each ‘team’ members separately, and, in such case, and in consultation with the Division Director, the Award Committee may use its discretion in regard to incurring the cost of multiple plaques.

Funds

The funds required to support this award will be paid directly from the Division VI Director's account. The only expenses involved will be for the production of the award certificate(s) and plaque(s); no other funding is available to the recipient(s) or presenter(s) of the award. There are no travel or other expenses available to the recipient(s) or presenter(s).

Nominee Solicitation

A nomination letter can be submitted by any person who can attest to the nominee(s) accomplishments. Nominations will be solicited by various mechanisms, including a “Call for Nominations” that will be sent to the Division VI Society Presidents for dissemination. The accomplishments noted in a nomination must be validated by the Presidents of the Division VI Societies involved.
Making a Nomination

All nominations should respond to other items in this document and be submitted to the President of any of the Division VI Societies whose Society is involved in the nominee’s activity and to the Division VI Director. The contact information of the Society Presidents is available on the various Society’s Web site. The contact information for the Division Director is located on the IEEE’s Web site.

There should be at least 2 letters of reference submitted. Each should be from a person who can attest to the nominee’s activity(ies).

It is the responsibility of the Nominator to compile the Nomination Package and send it to the Division Director who will convene the award selection committee. Each Nominator and Reference document must not be longer than 2 pages.

Award Committee

The selection committee for this award will consist of the Division VI Presidents (or a President’s designee); the Chair will be the Division Director (or his/her designee). The committee will consist of no more than 8 nor less than 5 members.

Timetable for Selection

The deadline for nominations and references for this award shall annually be July 30th.

Selection/Basis for Judging

Division VI member Societies can be characterized as possessing Fields of Interest that have significant appeal across IEEE. Division VI Societies desire to promulgate their Fields of Interest throughout IEEE and acquire derivative benefits (e.g., share of conference revenues, spread of their Field of Interest) there are many approaches, one of the most effective is to approach other IEEE operating units and other non-IEEE organizations with a package offer (e.g., speakers and activities from various Division VI Societies).

The intent of this award is to promote efforts to expand the reach of the Fields of Interests of as many Division VI Societies as possible. While several Division VI Societies reach-out within Division VI, to other IEEE operating units, and/or non-IEEE organizations individually, this award seeks to promote collaborative efforts among more than one Division VI Society—as many as possible.

A nomination letter, which must be verified by the Society Presidents in-question, can be submitted by any person who can attest to the nominee(s) accomplishments. The achievement(s) and/or contribution(s) should be a specific and concisely characterized accomplishment(s) that are directly applicable to more than one Division VI Society’s effort to create meaningful collaboration to expand the reach the various Society’s Fields of Interest.

For example, achievements(s) contribution(s) could be: collaborating with IEEE societies that conduct large conferences to include sessions that provide knowledge from the Field(s) of Interest of more than one Division VI society, forming collaboration(s) with IEEE-USA’s PACE program to provide Division VI expertise to IEEE-USA PACE activities. The achievement(s) and/or contribution(s) and the proposed award recipient’s involvement should be substantial and provide ongoing meaningful activity.
Presentation
This award will be presented at an event that is mutually agreeable to the award recipient(s) and the Chair of the Division VI’s Awards Committee.

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