Name of Committee: Awards Committee

Name of Chairperson: Helen MacGillivray

Year of Appointment of the Chair: 2013

Details about Current Committee Members:
ISI Council Representative: Jim Zidek
ISI-at-large Representative: Clarice Demetrio
ISI Director: Ada van Krimpen
ISI Permanent Office Liaison: Shabani Mehta

Associations’ Representatives:
BS – Nancy Reid
IAOS – Angela Me
IASC – J.J. Lee
IASE – TBA
IASS – Risto Lehtonen
ISBIS – Maria Pilar Munoz-Gracia
TIES – Alexandra Schmidt

Activities in the Past 12 Months:
The terms of reference for the Awards Committee have been updated, adjusted from feedback from the EC, approved by the EC and have now been sent to the recently appointed members of the Awards Committee for 2014-2015, and to the PO for placing on the ISI website.

The chair for the Mahalanobis selection committee for 2014-2015 (Anil Gore) was appointed early in 2014 and assisted in revising the criteria, nominations call and MoU with the Indian government. These were a priority in 2014 in response to a request from the Indian government. The call for nominations is now public and the committee established, consisting of:
Chair: Anil Gore (India)
Members:
Australia/New Zealand/North America: Stefanka Chukova (NZ)
South America: Viktor Yohai (Argentina)
Asia: Chihiro Hirotsu (Japan)
Africa: Jairo Arrow (South Africa)
Europe: Jane Hutton (UK)
Ex officio members
Director General, Central Statistics Office of India or Designate:
Director, International Statistical Institute: Ada van Krimpen
Chair of ISI Awards Committee Chair or designate: Helen MacGillivray

The chair for the Jan Tinbergen selection committee has been appointed (Nalini Ravishanker). The information and call for applications have been updated by the two chairs (awards and Tinbergen committees) and sent to the President, President-elect, Director and Awards committee for feedback. These should be published in the next ISI News. Proposals for members of the Tinbergen Committee have been approved by the President and forwarded to the Tinbergen chair for input.
In May, the Awards Committee chair, the Director and Operations Manager discussed the WB funding for WSC 2013 and recommend that the amount of funding per award to WSC 2015 consist of return airfare, registration and funds sufficient to cover accommodation for the WSC duration in good (for example, the second level offered) accommodation; the awardee may choose to use these funds for lesser accommodation and incidentals/living.

The chair for the WBF committee has been appointed (Delia North) and proposals for membership, approved by the President, forwarded to her for input.

The ISI Assistant Director and Webmaster are working on a new awards page in consultation with the Awards Committee chair who has also forwarded minimal updating of information to be made now while the new awards page is being designed.

Proposed Activities in the Future 12 Months:
The work of the committee will proceed in accordance with the updated terms of reference, ensuring the committee members are kept informed and involved, improving the Awards page(s) on the website, and culminating in the Awards Ceremony of WSC 2015.

Issues for the Consideration of ISI EC:
The EC is invited to comment on the WBF awards recommendation and any other matters.

Title, Initials, Name:
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