



## **Outstanding Doctoral Research Award**

### **Authority**

IUFRO Board, Statutes Article II, Paragraph 2.7; Statutes Article XVI; Internal Regulations, Section XIV.

### **Purpose**

To recognize outstanding individual scientific achievements among young Doctoral researchers and to encourage further work within the fields of research covered by the Union.

### **Award**

Medallion, certificate, most economical cost of (air) travel/subsidized travel to attend the World Congress, waiver of World Congress registration fees.

### **Criteria**

Awards will be made for path-breaking doctoral dissertations within 6 years after completion of the dissertation. In order to be judged as outstanding the work should meet the following requirements:

- relevant
- show innovative thinking
- use appropriate methodology
- results already presented/published, available to scientific community and transmitted to stakeholders

In addition, highlights of the award winning work should be presented during the World Congress

### **Number of Awards**

One award per IUFRO Division may be made at each IUFRO World Congress subject to the availability of candidates of outstanding merit.

### **Eligibility**

The award is open to any person provided that his/her parent organization is a Member of IUFRO, or that he/she is an individual member of IUFRO. No member of the IUFRO Enlarged Board is eligible while holding such office.

### **Nominations**

Nominations will be invited from IUFRO Member Organizations, IUFRO Divisions and Research Groups by the President about two years in advance of the next World Congress. Nominations may be made by a member of the nominee's parent organization, by coordinators of Divisions, Research Groups, Working Parties, Task Forces and by other officeholders and knowledgeable persons associated with the Union (but no self-nominations).

Nominations should be made within 6 years after completion of the dissertation and shall be accompanied by:

- a brief write-up about the motivation for the research
- two letters of support
- detailed CV listing publications especially those associated with the doctoral research work
- copies of the relevant publications, preferably in electronic form.

Nominations should preferably be in English, but French, German, or Spanish will also be accepted. The completed nomination form and accompanying documents should be sent to the Executive Director of IUFRO before the deadline.

### **Selection**

The Honours and Awards Committee shall evaluate nominations and present recommendations to the IUFRO Board 12 months in advance of the next World Congress. The awardees shall be approved by the IUFRO Board, so that both awardees and sponsors can be notified well in advance of the World Congress.

### **Presentation**

The awards shall be formally presented at a special plenary session where the awardees will also present highlights of their award winning work. Special mention of the award winners will be made during the opening or closing ceremony and the names of award winners will be published in IUFRO News.