



International Union of Forest Research Organizations
Union Internationale des Instituts de Recherches Forestières
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Unión Internacional de Institutos de Investigación Forestal

IUFRO Honours and Awards

Special Recognition Award (SRA)

Recognizes those whose work has significantly contributed to the furthering of one or more of the institutional goals and objectives of IUFRO's strategy. The SRA may be given to an individual more than once in his/her lifetime. Normally up to three Special Recognition Awards are made each year. The Awards are targeted at individuals and partners from outside IUFRO.

Nominations can be made by IUFRO officeholders, members and staff any time, but at least two months prior to the next Board meeting. Nominations and supporting material should be sent to the Chair of the Honours and Awards Committee with a copy to the Executive Director. Nominations are approved by the Board.

The awards are presented either by the President or by a high-ranking officeholder acting on the President's behalf. The time and place for presenting each award is coordinated by the IUFRO Secretariat, in conjunction with the recipient. The names of the recipients are published in IUFRO News, the Annual Report and the Congress Report.

Authority

IUFRO Board, Statutes Article II, Paragraph 4.7; Statutes Article XIV; Internal Regulations Section XII

Purpose

To recognize those whose work has significantly furthered one or more of the institutional goals and objectives of IUFRO's strategy.

Award

The award shall consist of a brief citation on a representative token.

Criteria

This award is intended to reflect a contribution to IUFRO that is significantly greater than that recognized by a Certificate of Appreciation.

1. The candidate must not have been an officeholder or staff member of IUFRO.
2. The candidate must have displayed significant service to IUFRO including, for example, one of the following:
 - organized one or more conferences, sessions or training activities for IUFRO;

- raised funds or encouraged sponsorship for IUFRO activities;
- produced publications for IUFRO, e.g. proceedings, policy briefs, other IUFRO publications

Number or Frequency

On average up to three awards can be made annually, depending on the quality of nominations.

Eligibility

The award is open to any individual or group outside IUFRO.

Nominations

Candidates shall be nominated by at least two IUFRO officeholders or members, one of whom is not from the same country as the nominee. Each nominator must produce a letter of nomination highlighting the candidate's contributions to IUFRO. Nominations should be sent to the Chair of the Honours and Awards Committee with a copy to the Executive Director.

Selection

The Honours and Awards Committee appointed by the President of IUFRO shall evaluate nominations and present recommendations to the Board for approval.

Presentation

Presentations shall be made at the time of a significant event organized by IUFRO or a Member Organization as determined by the President of IUFRO. Awards shall be presented by the President or his/her designee at a suitable occasion.