IZA Award

Garmisch-Partenkirchen Protocol

The IZA Award is presented at each International Zeolite Conference to an individual for outstanding lifetime contributions to and achievements in the field of zeolites.

This award consists of a plaque and a travel grant, which the recipient is to apply to a lecture tour to foster understanding and collaboration in zeolite science and technology. The recipient will thereby become an ambassador for the educational goals of the IZA.

Eligibility

Candidates will be nominated for their one-time or continuous achievements in zeolite science and technology. Their achievements will be recognized by the zeolite community at large as being worthy of this prestigious award. The recipient does not have to be a member of the IZA.

Nomination

IZA Award candidates will be nominated by active IZA Council members during the Council meetings at the IZC. Each Council member may nominate a maximum of three candidates after prior consultation with fellow zeolite scientists. The list of nominees is confidential and is restricted exclusively to the active Council members.

Selection

In one of the early sessions of the Council at the IZC, the recipient is selected by a three-stage multi-voting procedure which narrows the list of nominated candidates first to six, then three, and then one candidate. For the first vote, each Council member will have six votes to be applied to six candidates from the list of nominees. The six candidates with the highest number of votes move to the second round. For the second vote, each Council member has three votes to be applied to three of the six candidates. Again, the top three nominees move to the next round. Finally, each Council member casts a single vote and simple majority selects the recipient from these top three candidates. The selection process

will be conducted under the supervision of the IZA Secretary and two Council members appointed by the IZA President.

Announcement

The recipient of the IZA Award will be announced at the IZA Business Meeting and at the formal banquet of the IZC during which the candidate was selected. The announcement will be made only after the recipient has been contacted and has accepted the obligations tied to the Award.

Obligations of the Recipient

The IZA Award recipient will commit to a lecture tour prior to the announcement of the recipient's name. The recipient may choose the extent, the length, and the geographical region of the lecture tour after consultation with the IZA President. Should a selected candidate decline to commit to the obligations asked of the IZA Award recipient, the IZA Council will choose the runner-up of the selection process (second highest number of votes in the final voting) as the recipient of the Award. This process will continue until a candidate has accepted the obligations tied to the Award.

Prize

The prize for the IZA Award consists of a modest plaque honoring the recipient and a travel grant of 6,000 US dollars, which will cover expenses during the recipient's lecture tour.