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# Rules for the Fellow of IIW Award

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## 1 Introduction

The purpose of this document is to provide advice and information and to outline the rules governing the procedures to be followed for the Fellow of IIW Award.

## 2 The Fellow of IIW Award

### 2.1 Description

The Technical Management Board (TMB) of the International Institute of Welding (IIW) has approved a Fellow of IIW (FIIW) award to recognize members of the IIW for lifetime achievement through distinguished contributions to the field of welding science and technology, and for promoting and sustaining the professional stature of the field. Election as a FIIW is based on the outstanding accomplishments and technical impact of the individual. Such accomplishments will have advanced the science, technology and application of welding, as evidenced by:

- Sustained service and performance in the advancement of welding science and technology
- Publication of papers, articles, books, and standards which enhance the knowledge of welding or the practice and application of welding
- Innovative development of new welding technology
- International field of activities/contributions
- Professional recognition

### 2.2 Eligibility

Nominees shall:

- be selected by their responsible Member Society or by the Chair of a Working Unit. Each delegation may nominate a maximum of three (3) candidates per year. Each Working Unit Chair may nominate a maximum of one (1) candidate per year.
- have a minimum of ten (10) years' active participation in IIW;
- demonstrate qualifications and impact according to the following (in approximate order of importance):
  - a. Technical impact concerning significant contributions to the advancement of welding science and technology.
  - b. Publications of books, papers, articles or other significant scholarly works Where possible, papers and articles should be designated as to whether they were published in peer-reviewed journals.
  - c. Inventions and patents.
  - d. National or international standards for which the individual has made significant contributions.
  - e. Professional recognition including awards and honors from IIW and other professional societies.
  - f. Meaningful and sustained participation in technical committees, Commissions and Working Units of IIW. Indicate number of years served and any leadership roles



- g. Presentations made at technical national and international conferences. Keynote or invited presentations should be highlighted.
- h. Consultancy – particularly if it promotes technology advancement.
- i. Leadership at the technical society or corporate level, particularly if it promotes technology advancement.
- j. Participation on organizing committees for technical programming.
- k. Advocacy – support of the society and its technical advancement through institutional, political or other means.

Individuals who are currently serving on the IIW Board of Directors are not eligible for nomination for the Award

### 2.3 The Award

The FIIW Award consists of a plaque presented by the TMB Chair at the IIW Annual Assembly.

## 3 Application Requirements

Nomination packages must be submitted to the IIW Secretariat using the designated nomination form provided. The nomination deadline is 30 November.

Nomination packages must contain the following elements

(Items 1 to 4 are required. For items 5 to 11 that do not apply, indicate "*nothing to report*").

1. A summary of the candidate's contributions based on the criteria listed in Section 2. This summary should be not more than two (2) pages, (\*)
2. Between three (3) and five (5) letters of recommendation coming from individuals who have technical insight regarding the contributions of the candidate, (\*)
3. List of publications including books, book chapters, scientific and technical papers, and scholarly works, (\*)
4. History of participation in IIW activities: Indicate the number of years served on these committees, commissions, and working units and any leadership roles (chair, vice-chair, sub-commission responsibilities, etc.), (\*)
5. List of inventions and patents,
6. List of activities for the development of national or international standards,
7. List of recognition from IIW and other professional societies
8. List of presentations made at technical conferences: keynote or invited presentations should be highlighted.
9. List of consultancy activities,
10. List of participations on technical programming committees for conferences, seminars, etc.,
11. List of advocacy activities.

(\*) required

All information on nominees will be held in strict confidence

## 4 Fellow Selection Process



Nominations are electronically circulated to the Panel of Judges at least one month before the Intermediate Meeting of the FIIW Selection Committee.

The Selection Committee shall be appointed by the Chair of the Working Group Technical Working Units (WG-TWU). Membership of the FIIW Selection Committee is a minimum of eight (8) and a maximum of fifteen (15) members. The Selection Committee Chair is appointed by the WG-TWU. FIIW Selection Committee members must be qualified as a FIIW or as a Chair. The WG-TWU will take care to keep a good balance between FIIWs and Chairs composing the FIIW Selection Committee. The term of members not having voted in a given year will NOT be extended by one year. Members not having voted during their three-year term will not be renewed for a second term.

Voting is carried out on a cohort system. Each member of the Selection Committee assigns each Nominee to one of five Groups, with Group 1 rated the strongest nominees. The ratings of each Selection Committee member are then averaged, anonymously to all but the Chair and IIW Technical Manager. There is no fixed cut-off rating for a successful nomination – the cut-off is left to the discretion of the Selection Committee.

A maximum of ten (10) Fellows can be selected each year.

Nomination packages will remain active for three (3) years. It is possible to update the nomination package annually. If a nomination is not successful after three (3) years, or if a nomination is withdrawn before the third year, the proposed nominee is not eligible to be nominated again for three (3) years.