

REC-113: Systems Engineering Influencer Award – 19 October 2023

Purpose

INCOSE recognizes efforts and achievements of a person(s) who has been instrumental in influencing the acceptance, adoption, and implementation Systems Engineering.

Applicability

This policy applies to INCOSE regular and senior members.

Definitions

None.

Eligibility

Candidates must have had a significant effect on influencing decision-makers, markets, industries and/or cultures to recognize the value of systems engineering and adopt or significantly increase the usage of Systems Engineering. The candidate does not need to be a systems engineer themselves but must clearly see and communicate the value of systems engineering. They should have a demonstrated track record of successfully making the business case for the application of systems engineering in areas in which it is not currently being applied or areas in which it is not being as fully applied as would be appropriate.

Nomination

Any INCOSE member in good standing may initiate a nomination, but they may only nominate one (1) SE Influencer per year and provide letters of support for at most two (2) nominees per year. INCOSE members may not self-nominate. The nominator shall prepare a nomination letter describing the nominator's qualifications for making the nomination and the contributions made by the nominee that qualify them for consideration for this award. The nomination letter must be accompanied by a minimum of three (3) detailed letters of support, each letter from a different INCOSE member other than the nominator, who are also members in good standing. At least one letter of support shall be from a member of the INCOSE Board of Directors, an INCOSE past President, an Associate or Assistant Director, an INCOSE Fellow, a working group Chair/Co-Chair, or a Chapter President or President-Elect. Each letter of support shall state the supporter's qualifications for supporting the nomination and why they believe the nominee is qualified for consideration for this award. The letter of support should be limited to no more than two (2) pages.

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Posthumous nominations shall not be accepted.

The nominator shall assemble the nomination letter and letters of support into a nomination package and submit the nomination package to the Chair of the Honors and Awards Committee no later than 28 February for consideration. Nomination packages received after that date will not be considered, unless an extension has been formally announced.

Selection

The Honors and Awards Committee (refer to policy CMT-100) shall evaluate the SE Influencer Award nomination packages and make a rank-ordered recommendation to the Board of Directors with a maximum of three (3) candidates for the SE Influencer Award. The Board of Directors shall approve the SE Influencer Award recipient at the Q2 Board of Directors Meeting by voted resolution.

The approval and notification process shall ensure confidentiality pending final notification as follows: Once the Board of Directors' approval decision is made, the Chair of the Honors & Awards Committee shall notify nominators of those who did not receive an award, within one month after Q2 BOD meeting. Likewise, the Chair of the Honors & Awards Committee shall notify the successful award nominators and recipients within one month after Q2 BOD meeting.

Citations shall be provided by the Chair of the Honors & Awards Committee to INCOSE Admin in order to support preparation of the award material.

Presentation

One (1) SE Influencer Award may be presented annually at the International Symposium. Under special circumstances, the Board of Directors' may approve more than one award recipient in any one year.

This award shall be announced at the annual International Symposium. INCOSE shall prepare a press release to coincide with the ceremonial presentation of the SE Influencer Award. The recipient shall be asked to keep the information confidential until presentation.

Recipients of the SE Influencer Award shall be granted for their personal use, free registration to the annual International Symposium in the year of their award. If at this event a social evening is offered, two (2) complimentary tickets shall also be offered.

Responsible Position

Honors and Awards Committee Chair

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Related Policies

CMT-100: Committees

SUPERSEDES: REC-113 dated 14 October 2021

APPROVED BY: INCOSE Board of Directors, Virtual, 19 October 2023

MAINTAINED BY: (RACI Responsible R): Honors and Awards Committee Chair

POLICY OWNER: (RACI Accountable A): President