

IEEE Region 10 WIE SECTION/STUDENT BRANCH AFFINITY GROUP OF THE YEAR Award

Introduction

The R10 IEEE Women in Engineering (WIE) takes initiatives to provide various values for IEEE members and societies in Asia Pacific Region (R10) and promote achievements of women engineers/professionals. The visions are:

- Promote women in science and engineering in R10
- Motivate and inspire women engineers & scientists
- Foster women's technological skills
- Encourage girls to be engineers & scientists

R10 WIE strongly supports and encourages WIE activities conducted by WIE Affinity Groups (AGs) in R10. Specifically, R10 WIE Committee selects excellent activities and gives R10 WIE funds for them.

Purpose

R10 Women in Engineering (WIE) has instituted both the IEEE R10 WIE Section Affinity Group of the Year Award and the IEEE R10 WIE Student Branch Affinity Group of the Year Award to recognize distinguished WIE Section Affinity Group and WIE Student Branch Affinity Group respectively.

Scope

Based on the merit of each candidate AG, the R10 Awards & Recognition Committee may select one winner in each category for the prevailing contest year. If no AG is found to be suitable, no award will be given in that year.

Eligibility

The IEEE R10 WIE Section / Student Branch Affinity Group of the Year Awards are given annually to WIE Section / Student Branch Affinity Groups in R10 that have shown outstanding initiatives and performance in organizing activities. The awards are based on programs that took place during the period of 1 January to 31 December of the preceding year.

Nomination Conditions

- The nomination form available on the R10 website (<http://goo.gl/2CMvfs>) must be completed by Nominator who is familiar with the work and contribution of the candidate. Nominator must be IEEE members of any membership grade. Then nominations must be endorsed by the Section Chair.
- Nominations must be sent to IEEE R10 WIE Coordinator by the end of June in electronic means (pdf file). Make sure that an acknowledgement is received after sending the complete form in 3 days, or it should be assumed that the submission is not received.

As a general rule, an Affinity Group cannot receive this award more than once every three years.

Basis of Selection

The IEEE R10 WIE Section / Student Branch Affinity Group of the Year Award are selected by R10 WIE committee based on the following criteria:

- Quality of activities and programs
 - Purpose/objectives
 - Achievements/values
 - Support from the Section
 - Collaboration with Student Branch/YP Affinity Group or other groups
 - The number of participants
- Quantity of activities and programs
- Growth of affinity group membership
- Communication with its members
 - What ways
 - How often

If no candidate is found to be suitable, no award will be given for the year.

Selection Committee

This selection is to be done by an appropriate selection committee appointed by the IEEE R10 WIE coordinator. The decision of the Selection Committee is final.

Schedule

- Call for Nominations: Mid May
- Nomination Deadline: 31th July
- Evaluation period: August - September
- Recipient Notified: Middle of October

Award Instrument

The winning IEEE R10 WIE Affinity Group of the Year is awarded a certificate of recognition and a cash prize of US\$250.

Presentation

Award certificates of the 2014 IEEE R10 WIE Affinity Group of the Year Award will be presented to the primary delegates from the Sections that the winning WIE Affinity Groups belong to, at the R10 Annual Meeting for them to be further presented to the winning WIE AGs at appropriate occasions of the Sections.

If the representatives of the winning WIE Affinity Groups are able to join the R10 annual meeting without any financial support from R10, it is possible for the award certificates to be directly presented to them at the meeting.

Then cash prizes will be sent to the Sections for passing on to the winning AG.

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Submit all nomination forms to:

- R10 WIE Coordinator (Contact details available on the R10 website and as announced in the call for nominations)
- IEEE Asia-Pacific Limited Office (ieeapo@pacific.net.sg)
- Cc. to R10 Awards & Recognition Coordinator (Contact details available on the R10 website and as announced in the call for nominations)

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