

IEEE R10 Outstanding Section Award for Humanitarian Technology Activity

Introduction

The mission of Region 10 (Asia-Pacific) Humanitarian Technology Activities (HTA) committee is to inspire scientists and engineers to become socially responsible and be engaged in developing technological solutions to improve living conditions and livelihood of people thus making a difference in peoples' lives in a cost effective and sustainable manner.

To achieve the goals of HTA mission, R10 has established an Outstanding Section Award for humanitarian technology activities. It will be presented annually to IEEE Sections in Region 10 (Asia-Pacific) who have taken outstanding humanitarian initiatives which have left an indubitable impact on the society.

Purpose

This award is to recognize the Sections who have done outstanding work in identifying social issues and made efforts to solve those issues through the use of technology or any other means. The objective of instituting this award is to motivate Sections to promote humanitarian technologies and in helping the OUs to plan and implement technologies that might uplift the society.

Scope

Based on the merit of the HT activities/project, the R10 HTA Award Selection Committee will select the awards winners in the following three categories: Small, Medium and Large Outstanding Section for HTA. If no Section is found to be suitable in any of the three categories, no award will be given for that category.

Eligibility

All IEEE Sections functioning under IEEE Region 10 (Asia- Pacific) are eligible, except those Sections who have received the R10 HT Award within last three years. Affinity groups and Student Branches can apply for this award through their respective Section.

Nomination Conditions

- The nomination should be only for those HT activities/projects which have been undertaken within last five years.
- The nominated Section must have an HT Coordinator
- A completed Nomination Form available through the R10 website (<http://goo.gl/Aatobg>) must be submitted by the Section Chair. If the Section Chair is not familiar with the HTA work in the Section, the nominations must be made by a proposer through the Section Chair, who must endorse and sign the Nomination Form.
- Nominations must be received by the IEEE Region 10 Awards & Recognition Committee Chair no later than closing date given in Call for Nominations.
- A section shall not put forward more than one nomination at any one time.

Basis of Selection

The judging for this award will be based on the impact and outcome of the activities on society and the future possibilities of advancements in the project/activity. The following points will be considered in the selection:

- New ideas, developments or projects which have delivered significant outcome(s) and benefited the HT efforts
- Funding/sponsorships attracted for HT activities from industry, Government and Non-Government Organizations (NGOs)
- Active Special Interest Group in Humanitarian Technology (SIGHT) with growing membership.
- Establishment of Section awards for local volunteers and teams involved in HT area.
- Collaboration beyond Section's geographic boundaries and support to HT efforts in areas struck by natural calamities.
- Leadership and Management of HT activities including reporting, financial record keeping, succession planning to build and continue the capacity to conduct HT activities and nurturing talented volunteers.

Selection Committee

The HTA Award selection committee will constitute the members nominated by the R10 Humanitarian Technology Activities Committee. The award selection committee reserves the right to present no award if the committee is not satisfied with the standard or quality of entries received. The decision of the award selection committee as approved by the R10 Director will be final.

Schedule

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

Award Instrument

For the purpose of this award, Sections are classified in three categories: small (membership < 500), medium (500 -1500 members) and Large (membership > 1500). From each category a winner will be selected and will receive a plaque suitably inscribed, attesting to the accomplishment(s) made and a US\$250 cash prize.

Presentation

The award will be presented to the primary delegate from the winning Section at the R10 Annual Meeting.

Record

The IEEE R10 HTA Coordinator notifies the result of selection by e-mail to the R10 Sections, on the R10 Website and in the R10 Newsletter. The IEEE R10 ARC Coordinator also maintains a record of award recipients on the R10 Website.

Submit all nomination forms to:

- IEEE Asia-Pacific Limited Office (ieeeapo@pacific.net.sg)
- Cc. to R10 Humanitarian Technology Coordinator (Contact details available on the R10 website and as announced in the call for nominations)
- The nomination form must be submitted electronically as advised in the CFN.

Nomination Form: <http://goo.gl/Aatobg>