

IUGG Fellowship

Preamble

According to IUGG Statute 4e: “There shall be a category of membership within IUGG known as Honorary Member conferred upon individuals awarded IUGG Fellowship by the IUGG Bureau.” “Fellowship of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics is a tribute, awarded by the IUGG Bureau, to individuals who have made exceptional contributions to international cooperation in geodesy or geophysics and attained eminence in the field of Earth and space sciences” (By-Law 22). Honorary Members are bestowed a certificate of IUGG Fellowship, which is presented by the IUGG President at the Opening Ceremony of the IUGG General Assembly following the announcement of the awards.

IUGG Executive Committee and Finance Committee members and Association Secretaries General will become IUGG conferred Fellows upon retirement from their office. Past (before 2011) IUGG Executive Committee and IUGG Finance Committee members and Association Secretaries General (alive on 1 January 2015) will also become IUGG conferred Fellows.

Nominations for IUGG Fellowship

Procedure and Requirements for Nomination

Nominations for an IUGG Fellowship can be submitted by Adhering Bodies/National Committees, Union Associations or Affiliated organizations. They should be addressed to the Chair of the Union Fellow Selection Committee. The nomination package should include

- a nomination letter signed by the President of the National Committee for IUGG, Union Association President or Affiliate Organization President with one sentence citation (citation should be 200 characters or less including space);
- 3 supporting letters from scientists (not from scientists of nominee’s country of residence) emphasizing the nominee’s scientific eminence and broad international cooperation;
- the nominee’s CV (max. 3 pages, A4 format) with an emphasis on nominee’s scientific work in a research field of IUGG and contribution to world science and international scientific cooperation; and
- a list of the major published scientific works (max. 2 pages, A4 format).

Eligibility criteria

The Nominee should meet the following criteria:

- Prominent scientist in one of the fields of IUGG;
- Person who has actively promoted international scientific cooperation in Earth and space sciences; and
- Active work in IUGG or within one or several IUGG associations of at least 10 years.

The following individuals are not eligible to be candidates for an IUGG Fellowship during their terms in office:

- Members of the IUGG Executive Committee;
- Presidents of the National Committees for IUGG;
- Presidents of the Affiliate Organizations;

- Members of the Union Fellow Selection Committee;
- Self-nominations are not accepted.

Nomination submission

The nomination package should be submitted to the IUGG Executive Secretary Dr. Franz Kuglitsch (fgkugl@gfz-potsdam.de) with a copy to the IUGG Secretary General Dr. Alik Ismail-Zadeh (Alik.Ismail-Zadeh@kit.edu) before **22 September 2014**.

Union Fellow Selection Committee

The Union Fellow Selection Committee is appointed by the IUGG President with an approval of the IUGG Bureau. The Committee consists of 6 members including an IUGG Bureau Member (ex-officio).

The Union Fellow Selection Committee will consider the nominations and will give a preliminary conclusion on the conformity of the nominees to the established criteria. If needed, the Committee proposes independent reviewers (leading scientists) to review the nominations. The Committee's Chair addresses the proposed experts with a request to review the nominations and to provide his/her opinion on the nominees.

Based on the comments of the independent reviewers, on the nomination and supporting letters, the Committee's members select up to 10 nominees and make a final recommendation (by simple majority of voices). The Committee's Chair sends the list of the recommended persons to the IUGG Secretary General.

The IUGG Bureau makes the final decision on the IUGG Fellows.

Timeline for IUGG Fellowship Nominations

22 March 2014

Nomination submission opens

22 September 2014

Nomination submission closes at 23:00 GMT

23 September – 10 October 2014

The IUGG Secretariat reviews the nomination packages for eligibility and completeness, and prepares nomination materials for the Union Fellow Selection Committee review.

11 October – 10 December 2014

The Union Fellow Selection Committee reviews and considers the nominees.

10 December – 31 December 2014

The IUGG Bureau considers the recommendations of the Union Fellow Selection Committee on the selected nominees and makes the final decision on the IUGG Fellows.

10 January 2015

IUGG officially announces the awardees of IUGG Fellowship.

22 June – 2 July 2015

IUGG formally recognizes the elected Fellow (Honorary Members) at the Opening Ceremony of the XXVI General Assembly of IUGG in Prague, Czech Republic.

Technical Requirements

- Nomination and supporting letters should be concise, clear, and preferably on letterhead.
- Nomination and supporting letters must clearly state how the nominee(s) research over a sustained period of time has made significant impact on his/her field. The letters must explain the contributions and their importance, so that, they can be understood by their peers and those outside their research.
- The first paragraph of each nomination and supporting letter should include the name of the nominee and a few sentences giving the overall reasons for nominating or supporting the nominee. The body of the nominating letter, which could be a few paragraphs, should give a brief and concise history of the nominee's work and publications. Both the nomination and supporting letters should state how the work has contributed to the field overall and/or to the growth of the field, as well as what insights have been gained and what impacts the work will have on current and future research.
- The last paragraph of the nomination and supporting letters should summarize the work, state who has benefited, and highlight some of the nominee's recognitions and notable service to his/her field.
- If possible, the nominator might want to provide his/her nomination letter and other nomination materials to the persons asked to write supporting letters to help ensure the best possible coverage of the nominee's accomplishments and contributions. It is important that supporting letters augment the letter of nomination through substantive material, establishing the nominee's international reputation in his/her field as important.
- Both nomination and supporting letters should contain the author's signature, full name, title, and institution affiliation. Electronic or official signatures are acceptable.
- The curriculum vitae should list the nominee's (1) name, (2) address, (3) history of employment,(4) degrees, (5) research experience, (6) honors, (7) memberships, and (8) service to IUGG and other international communities through leadership, committee work, advisory boards, etc. It is important to explain the reasons for the honors, which have been received by the candidate. All incomplete or incorrect CVs will be returned to the nominator for revising.
- A list of major published scientific works should begin by briefly stating the candidate's total number and types of publications. For example: "Marie Jones is the author of 123 publications, 96 in peer-reviewed scientific journals. The following selected list best supports the nomination."