Best Performing National Committee Award (BPNCA) Scheme

I. BACKGROUND

The 52nd International Executive Council (IEC) of ICID held on 21st September 2001 at Seoul, Korea approved the institution of an “ICID Award for the Best Performing National Committee” to be presented triennially at every ICID Congress starting from the 18th ICID Congress to be held at Montreal in July 2002.

II. SCOPE AND OBJECTIVE

The objective of institution of Best Performing National Committee Award (BPNCA) is to recognize NC’s contribution to ICID’s objectives. Within the limits of their capacity and constraints which are considerable, the NCs’ contributions are important and valuable.

(a) Scope

The NCs who perform exceedingly well need to be encouraged to enable them to continue their peak level of performance, while the others who are not able to perform so well due to one reason or the other, need to be motivated to strive and attain excellence in performance, shoulder to shoulder with better performing NCs. Constraints, if identified in time, will enable NCs to overcome their inhibiting influence in attainment of desired level of contribution to ICID’s identified activities, in addition to such national activities as are in line with ICID’s mission statement. A healthy competition and timely recognition of excellence are bound to provide them an incentive and an opportunity for introspection, for defining the constraints and targeted removal of weakness, if any

(b) The Award

The Award consists of a Trophy and a Citation Plaque.

(c) Dissemination of the awarded works

The Jury may identify the works/publications cited in the nomination form credited to/brought out by the winner National Committee/Committee that may be disseminated among ICID fraternity as part of Knowledge Dissemination, one of the means for fulfilling ICID’s mission, through ICID website, and periodicals brought out from time to time.

III. PROCEDURE

(a) Application

Nominations must comply with these rules

(i) Nominations for the Awards are open to the member National Committees/Committee of ICID. A National Committee which has received the award for their performance in the past shall be eligible to apply again only after 10 years after the date of receipt of the last award.

(ii) A completed Nomination Form (see Annexure)

(iii) Entries should be sent electronically to the Secretary General, ICID so as to reach Central Office, New Delhi, on the Last Date announced by the Secretary General.

(b) The time schedule

Following time schedule for receipt of applications and announcement of the BPNCA will be adhered to as far as possible

- Last date for receipt of nominations - 120 days prior to Congress date
- Review by the Panel of Judges - Within 60 days from the Last Date
- Declaration/Announcement of the Award - 45 days prior to IEC date.

(c) Jury

The Jury should consist of a Panel of Judges for BPNCA, comprising of the members holding the following positions in ICID

- Immediate Past President - Chairman
- Three Senior Most Vice Presidents - Members
- President, ICID - Resource Person
- Secretary General, ICID - Resource Person
The PoJs shall communicate with each other by e-mail, evaluate the nominations, and submit its report to the President by the set date for evaluation or in advance.

The decision of the President as arrived at through the above process will be final and binding. No discussion or correspondence relating to the award will be entered into.

(d) Evaluation Criterion

The main criteria for evaluation of the performance of the nominated ‘National Committee’ is its performance during the 3-year period between last Congress and till the date of submission of the nomination, prior to the forthcoming Congress. Various factors/facets for rating of excellence in performance of a National Committee are listed below.

(1) Broadbasing of National Committee
   (a) Type of institutions covered, e.g., government, research, WUA, University etc.
   (b) Disciplines represented, e.g. irrigation, drainage, civil engineering, agriculture, sociology, economics etc.
   (c) No. of members associated
   (d) Services provided to members
   (e) Representation of Young Professionals + Women in National Committees/Workbodies of ICID
   (f) Constitution/By-laws formulation, formal registration

(2) Technical events organized under the NC banner
   (a) Training courses.
   (b) Multilateral, Bilateral cooperation with other countries
   (c) Conferences, workshops, seminars organized
   (d) Regional Cooperation
   (e) Contribution of NC to national policy, strategy or action
   (f) Fund raising for the NC

(3) Publications brought out/translations in local languages/periodicals/newsletters Published (please submit if not already sent to Central Office)

(4) Participation in and/or hosting IECs, Congresses, Regional Conferences, Drainage Workshops and other international events of ICID’s interest, including hosting them.

(5) Contribution to ICID organizational work as member of WG, or as Office-Bearers, Panel Expert etc. and contribution to technical activities of workbodies/ICID by way of collecting information and responding to questionnaires of workbodies and those sent by Central Office.

(6) Papers submitted for Congresses, Regional Conferences, ICID Journal

(7) ICID Membership subscription – prompt and up-to-date payment.

(8) Contribution to ICID’s financial resources for its various activities by way of -
   (a) Grants/support/awards.
   (b) Advertisement on ICID website.
   (c) Promotion of sale of ICID publications.

(e) Financial

Central Office shall make adequate provisions in the annual budget as appropriate to arrange for the award, like preparation of the Trophy and Citation Plaque.

(f) Contact

ICID Central Office may be contacted for further information on BPNCA,

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