

Part 1. Standing Rules on Nominations

1.1. General rules

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Nominees will be considered by the Nominations Committee in consultation with the Advisory Committee. A slate of candidates will be announced prior to the elections.

Proposed Part 1. Standing Rules on Nominations for AdCom, President-Elect and Vice Presidents

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Nominees will be considered by the Nominations Committee in consultation with the Advisory Committee. A slate of candidates will be announced prior to the elections. The Nomination Committee (co-)chair(s) is (are) responsible for communicating AdCom nominees to IEEE within the IEEE prescribed deadline.

Purpose: to clarify the process and dates.

Nominated candidates from the Nominations Committee and additional candidates nominated by petitions will appear on the ballot, provided that eligibility has been checked by the Nomination Chair, in consultation with the Secretary and IEEE Membership Services.

Proposed change: Nominated candidates from the Nominations Committee and additional candidates nominated by petitions will appear on the ballot, provided that eligibility has been checked by the Nomination Chair, in consultation with the Secretary and IEEE Membership Services. A candidate that produces a nomination petition with signatures from 2% or more of the eligible voting membership shall be placed on the ballot as per the Bylaws. A candidate that produces a nomination petition with 25 or more signatures from the eligible voting membership may be added to the ballot, at the discretion of the Nominations Committee.

Purpose: To still permit candidates being nominated with 25 signatures in addition to the 2% rule imposed from the IEEE.

Part 2. Standing Rules on Awards

The RAS Awards that may be given annually are the following:

- Pioneer Award
- Industrial and Academic Early Career Awards
- Distinguished Service Award
- Chapter of the Year
- Most Active Technical Committee
- IEEE RAS Technical Field Award. This Award is assigned directly by the IEEE.

According to the Bylaws, the Awards and Fellow Evaluation Standing Committee will be chaired by the Senior Past President. The Committee will be composed of the Chair, the Vice President for Technical Activities, the Vice President for Membership Activities, and at least two more Society members appointed by the Society President usually from outside the AdCom membership.

By February 1st each year, a Call For Awards will be issued to AdCom members, and also posted at the RAS website.

The Awards and Fellow Evaluation Standing Committee will organize Award Technical Sub-committees, one for each Award. Only Fellows may participate in discussion of Fellow nominees.

Each Award Sub-committee will have appropriate expertise according to the Award category and will work in consultation with the TCs for selecting candidates. Members from outside the Society (e.g., from industry) will be encouraged to serve in these Award Sub-committees.

Technical Award Sub-committees will set up their own internal procedures to proactively stimulate qualified nominations.

The Awards and Fellow Evaluation Standing Committee will evaluate the candidates and select the winner for each Award.

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- Industrial and Academic Early Career Awards
- Distinguished Service Awards
- Chapter of the Year
- Most Active Technical Committee
- Inaba Technical Award for Innovation Leading to Production
- Invention and Entrepreneurship Award
- Most Active Distinguished Lectures
- IEEE RAS Technical Field Award. This Award is assigned directly by the IEEE.

According to the Bylaws, the Awards Committee will be chaired or co-chaired by the Senior Past President. The Committee will be composed of the (co-)Chair(s), the Vice President for Technical Activities, the Vice President for Membership Activities, and at least two more Society members appointed by the Society President usually from outside the AdCom membership.

By January 1st each year, a Call For Awards will be issued to AdCom members, and also posted at the RAS website.

The Awards Committee will organize Award nomination Technical Sub-committees for each Award. Only Fellows may participate in discussion of Fellow nominees. Each Award Sub-committee will have appropriate expertise according to the award category and will work in consultation with the TCs for selecting candidates. Members from outside the Society (e.g., from industry) will be encouraged to serve in these nomination Sub-committees.

The Award nomination Sub-committees will set up their own internal procedures to proactively stimulate qualified nominations.

The Award Selection Committees will evaluate the candidates and select the winner for each Award.

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The winners will be awarded a plaque and a certificate in a ceremony at the Society annual meeting together with Society members who have been awarded the Fellow Grade by IEEE in the previous year, except that the Field Award winner may elect an IEEE venue for presentation and the Invention and Entrepreneurship Award is presented by IFR in alternate years.

The Awards Committee (co-)chair(s) is (are) responsible for ensuring that the request for the award plaques, certificates and checks are submitted to IEEE and that the required tax are obtained from the winner(s) and submitted to IEEE.

In order to accomplish the above tasks in a timely manner, the following schedule should be followed:

- Field Award Nominations Committee - to be appointed no later than August 31.
- All other award nomination committees appointed by November 30.
- All award evaluation committees, including Fellow Evaluation, appointed by December 31.
- All nominations due March 1.
- Society award evaluations done by March 21.
- Certificates and checks requested from IEEE by 1 month before ICRA. Note that in order for checks to be available in time for ICRA, the required tax forms must be received by IEEE at least one month before ICRA as well.
- Fellow evaluations performed in a meeting at ICRA and submitted to IEEE by June 15.

Purpose: to add new awards and clarify the process and dates.