

Description and Nomination Format for the

IPNI Science Award

A Program of the
International Plant Nutrition Institute (IPNI)



Nomination deadline: September 30, 2012
Award announcement date: December 1, 2012

About the Award...

The Award

The **IPNI Science Award** was established by the IPNI Board of Directors in 2006. Its purpose is to recognize and promote distinguished contributions by scientists involved with global ecological intensification as related to crop production. Ecological intensification is defined as development of high-yield crop production systems that protect soil and environmental quality and conserve natural resources. Characteristics of ecological intensification include yields achieving near potential top levels, high efficiency of nutrient use, and appropriate management of soil nutrient stocks and organic matter.

The Award is to be presented each year to one agronomic scientist. The recipient receives a plaque and a monetary award of US\$5,000.00 (five thousand dollars). *There must be a minimum of three nominations for the award to be issued. A recipient is not eligible to receive the Award more than once.*

The Criteria

A committee of noted international authorities will select the recipient of the Award on an annual basis. The Award recognizes outstanding achievements in research, extension, or education which focus on efficient and effective management of plant nutrients and their positive interaction in fully integrated crop production, enhancing yield potential, and/or improving crop quality. Such systems improve net returns, lower unit costs of production, and maintain or improve environmental quality.

Private or public sector agronomists, crop scientists, soil scientists, and food scientists from all countries are eligible for nomination.

The Nomination

The format for preparation of nominations for the Award is outlined on the following pages. Length of nomination should not exceed three pages plus the attached letters as described. Size of pages should be the standard 8½ x 11-in. size used in the U.S. or A4 paper for international nominations. Nominations must be submitted in English.

Completed nomination forms including all support letters must be received at IPNI headquarters by September 30, 2012 to be eligible. Announcement of Award recipient will be on December 1, 2012.

Nomination Format for the IPNI Science Award

A general description of this Award is provided on the preceding page. Following is an outline of the format to be followed for nomination. *Note: Nomination length which exceeds that prescribed or does not include at least two supporting letters will automatically eliminate nominee from consideration. No self-nomination please.*

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Date submitted _____

- Full name and address of nominee

Name _____

Mailing address _____ City/Town _____

State/Province _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Country _____

Telephone number(s) _____ Fax _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

E-mail: _____

- Full name and address of nominator

Name _____

Mailing address _____ City/Town _____

State/Province _____ Zip/Postal Code _____ Country _____

Telephone number(s) _____ Fax _____

E-mail _____

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- Qualification statement

Provide a concise summary of the nominee's significant contributions, explaining why the nominee is qualified to receive the Award and whose achievements specifically meet the Award's criteria. Maximum length – one page.

- **Degrees received**

Briefly, provide information including field of study, date, and institution for each degree.

- **Membership in honorary academic societies and/or non-academic associations related to nomination**

- **Honors and awards received pertinent to nomination**

- **Professional positions—last three held**

- **Professional publications—limit to the six most pertinent to the criteria for this nomination**

Attachments

- **Supporting letters**

Enclose no more than three letters, maximum one page each, in support of the nomination. Typically, a letter from the nominator plus two other letters would be appropriate.

Send completed nomination, including attachments, to:

**IPNI Science Award Committee
International Plant Nutrition Institute
3500 Parkway Lane, Suite 550
Norcross, Georgia 30092-2844**

**Deadline for receipt of nominations is September 30, 2012.
Recipients of the Award will be announced on December 1, 2012.**

**More information and a PDF file of this form are available at:
www.ipni.net/science-award**