

## IEEE CIS Fuzzy Systems Pioneer Award Nomination

The IEEE Computational Intelligence Society Fuzzy Systems Pioneer award recognizes significant contributions to early concepts and sustained developments in the field of fuzzy systems. This award recognizes two types of pioneering contributions: (1) fundamental understanding and (2) engineering application. This award is considered annually, and may be given to an individual or a group not exceeding three persons who contributed to the advancement of theory, technologies, and/or applications of fuzzy systems by inventing new technologies, creating innovative technical developments, implementing new products, or managing innovative product design or production processes. The prize includes a plaque plus US\$2,500 honorarium, plus travel support for each recipient and one companion to attend award presentation in the year of the award. For those who are interested in submitting a nomination for the IEEE CIS Fuzzy Systems Pioneer Award, the materials needed are the following:

- Nominations Letter with the following information:
  - Nominator: name, affiliation and email address of nominator
  - Nominee: name, affiliation, postal address, email address and webpage address of nominee
  - Basis for Nomination: detailed documentation that includes:
    - Category of nomination: Identification of the category of pioneering contribution as either (1) fundamental understanding or (2) engineering application.
    - Significance of contribution **made at least 15 years prior to award date**. Please discuss the pioneering nature of cited contribution in light of the category of nomination, the impact on the industry, economy, government, and society, and the impact on fuzzy systems research and development from the point of view of theory, technologies, and/or applications.
    - Outcomes: Discuss the quantity and quality of the outcomes.
  - Proposed Citation: provide suggestion for the complete, correct and succinct citation. The Awards Committee reserves the right to make any necessary change on the citation.
- Up to five reference letters supporting the nomination.

The complete nomination packet should be submitted by email, in PDF format, to the Awards Committee Chair, Prof. Marios M. Polycarpou ([mpolycar@ucy.ac.cy](mailto:mpolycar@ucy.ac.cy)). The deadline is 30 April 2010 (strict deadline).

The list of past awardees is provided below for reference:

2010: Hideo Tanaka  
2009: Enrique H. Ruspini and Tomohiro Takagi  
2008: Jerry M. Mendel and Takeshi Yamakawa  
2007: James M. Keller and George Klir  
2006: Janusz Kacprzyk  
2005: Enric Trillas  
2004: Ronald Yager  
2003: Ebrahim J. Mamdani  
2002: Didier Dubois and Henri Prade  
2001: Jim Bezdek  
2000: Michio Sugeno and Lotfi Zadeh

If you have any questions regarding the IEEE CIS Fuzzy Systems Pioneer Award nomination, please feel free to contact the Awards Committee Chair:

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