



## **The SolarPACES Awards**

SolarPACES would like to honor the personal engagement of individuals and institutions that significantly contribute to the deployment of CSP technology with the following annual awards:

- 1.) Technology Innovation Award**
- 2.) Lifetime Achievement Award**
- 3.) Financial Engineering Award**

Criteria:

1.) Technological Innovations relevant to a more rapid deployment of CSP technology through:

- performance/cost ratio increase
- improved manufacturing technology
- better component lifetime
- improved environmental profile

The innovation should be realized at least in technical prototype and its characteristics should have been published according to scientific standards. Such a publication should be part of the application. Applicants may be persons or groups of persons.

2.) Lifetime Achievement Award

This award honors personal contributions to the successful development and implementation of CSP systems of an individual throughout a major phase of his/her life. Suggestions for a lifetime achievement award can be proposed through any member of the Executive Committee.

The relevant criteria include:

- Acknowledged leadership in research or management in the field of CSP technology
- Long term commitment in this field
- Promotion of international cooperation

3.) Financial Engineering Award

This award honors the contribution of a person or an institution that contributed significantly to financing mechanisms which have generated new market opportunities for CSP. Major points of consideration:

- Size of the simulated market
- Transferability to other markets
- Speed of implementation

### **Application Process**

With the exception of the Lifetime Award, which can only be suggested by a SolarPACES Executive Member, any person can suggest nominees for the Technology Innovation Award or the Financial Engineering Award. Suggestions must include:

- 1.) For the technical innovation report
  - 1-page description of the innovative idea and its impact, and the role of the applicant(s)
  - A scientific publication on details of the innovation
  - CVs of the applicants
- 2.) For the Lifetime Achievement Award
  - Recommendation letter from a SolarPACES Executive Member
  - CV of nominee
- 3.) For the Financial Engineering Award
  - 1-page description of the financial engineering innovation and the role of the nominee
  - Documents evaluating the current CSP market size and the growth that has been induced by the innovation
  - CV of the applicant / Profile of the institution

All three prizes are to be awarded on an annual basis. Nominations must be submitted to the SolarPACES Secretary by March 15<sup>th</sup> for the current year.

Please send your nomination by e-Mail to the following addresses:

exsec@solarpaces.org

and

trmanci@sandia.gov

### **Award Committee**

The SolarPACES Executive Committee decides on the awards.

### **Awards**

Each award includes the following benefits:

- Award Certificate
- Invitation to the next SolarPACES conference (for one representative, all cost covered)
- Presentations of the Awards during the SolarPACES Conference Dinner
- Announcement on the SolarPACES Website and in the Newsletter and Annual Report
- For the Financial Innovation Award and the Technical Innovation Award: invitation to give a plenary lecture at the SolarPACES conference on a subject of the Award recipient's choice.