

CALL (to be distributed over email and announced on the website; briefer pieces of news will be sent over social networks).

The call for nominations for the IUPAP Interdisciplinary Early Career Scientist Award is now open. The deadline for nomination submissions is May 31st, 2023 (midnight UTC).

The IUPAP Interdisciplinary Early Career Scientist Award has been established to recognize the contributions of Early Career Scientists who do interdisciplinary research that does not fit within a single subfield of physics as covered by one IUPAP Commission. For this first issue of the award, we will open the call for the nomination of candidates who do research that combines the subfields addressed by more than one IUPAP Commission, Affiliated Commission or Working Group.

Up to two winners will be considered for the prize (one for 2022 and one for 2023), which will be collectively presented at the General Assembly to be held in 2023. Each prize will consist of 1000 euro, a medal, and a certificate.

Nominees for the Prize should have a maximum of 8 years of research experience following their PhD at the closing time for the nomination submissions. Career interruptions should be excluded when counting the 8 years of experience after the PhD. The nominees should be the principal performers of original work of outstanding scientific quality in an interdisciplinary area which includes at least two physics subfields. Nominators are encouraged to consider candidates of diverse backgrounds and characteristics, particularly in terms of gender, geographical regions and underrepresented groups. The nomination package must include:

- A nomination letter by the person in charge of the nomination stating the subfields of physics that are covered by the research performed by the nominee. The nomination letter should mention the (at least two) IUPAP Commissions, Affiliated Commissions or Working Groups that cover these subfields. In case that career interruptions should be considered, a clear explanation of why that is the case should be included in the letter. During the evaluation process additional documentation to support the request might be required.
- Two letters of support
- A CV of the nominee
- A statement signed by the nominator saying that, to the best of their knowledge, there are no concerns that IUPAP should be aware of regarding the nominee not satisfying the expectation that he/she meets the commonly held standards of professional ethics and scientific integrity.

The nomination package must be uploaded using the nomination form: <https://hariharan.ml/form2/form2.html> (*this is a temporary address, hopefully we will have set it up in Trieste as we did with the photo contest; please check what you think of the form*) by May 31st, 2023 as stated before. A decision on the awardees will be made at the meeting of the IUPAP Executive Council and Commission Chairs that will be held during the last week of September or first week in October 2023. The awardees will be notified later after that.

PROCEDURES (INTERNAL, NOT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE CALL).

The administrative secretariat will collect all the submissions identifying the commissions and/or working groups that are mentioned in the nominations. The president designate will organize a first meeting with the Chairs of the Commissions and Working Groups mentioned in the submission packages to organize their analysis. Additional meetings will be organized, eventually including all Commission Chairs, to come up with a shortlist. The shortlist will be discussed at the first EC&CC meeting to be held in 2023, at which a decision on the awardees will be made.