

International Glaciological Society Early Career Scientist (ECS) Award

Definition:

'The IGS ECS award is given in recognition of significant scientific and/or community contributions to Glaciology by an early career scientist'.

Criteria

The IGS ECS Award is given to an early career scientist who has made significant scientific contributions to glaciology, defined as any snow and/or ice study, and/or contributions to the glaciological community.

Scientific contributions will be assessed on the basis of the depth, breadth and impact of the research contribution from a body of scientific output. Community contributions will be assessed on the basis of the nominee's service to glaciology and the International Glaciological Society, including outreach activities and promotion of IGS core values.

The nominee may be part of a collaborative group or team, but must be a major contributor to the work of the group and must be the lead author or organizer of at least one of the assessed outputs. All IGS award nominees are expected to exhibit high moral and ethical standards within the glaciological and wider communities.

Frequency

Nominations for the IGS ECS Award will be called for annually. One, or in exceptional cases not more than two, awards may be given following each call for nominations.

Eligibility

- The nominee must be an early career scientist. If they have completed a Ph.D. (or equivalent) they must be within 5 years of receiving that qualification (at 1 January of the year of the nomination). Consideration will be given for career breaks for parenthood, medical reasons, etc.
- The nominee must be a member of the IGS at the time of nomination.
- No individual may receive the award more than once.
- An individual may only be considered for one of the IGS awards in any one year.

Nominations

The nominator may be anyone with sufficient knowledge of the nominee and must be a current member of IGS. Self-nominations will not be accepted, but nominations need not be made without the knowledge of the nominee.

A nomination package should include:

- a) a nomination letter explaining the reasons for the nomination (up to 3 pages). The nomination letter should define how the nominee meets the award criteria, and should list the contribution of the nominee to those criteria, with brief notes on how they are significant. The letter should provide information on the nominee's eligibility including any relevant career breaks.

- b) a short CV of the nominee (up to 2 pages).
- c) two other letters of support (up to 2 pages each, excluding the signature page). These may be multi-signatory, but supporters must not also include signatories to the nomination letter. Support letters from scientists at different career stages and diverse groups are encouraged.

Nominations should be sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee, and be copied to the IGS Secretary General.