

**Name of award:** Seligman Crystal

**Definition:** Given in recognition of outstanding scientific contributions to glaciology.

**Criteria:** The Seligman Crystal shall be awarded to an individual or a collaborative group/team that has made exceptional scientific contributions to glaciology, defined as any cryospheric study, such that the subject is now significantly enriched. The nominee's/nominees' research contributions should have had a long-lasting impact on the understanding, direction or focus of a glaciological discipline, and have transformed the discipline in a unique way. This may include opening up a new area of research or substantively transforming thinking in an area, and will typically include a substantial high-impact body of leading-edge work. All IGS award nominees are expected to exhibit integrity and high ethical standards within the glaciological and wider communities, and to demonstrate and promote IGS core values.

**Frequency:** Nominations will be called for annually. One, or in exceptional cases, two awards may be given following each call for nominations.

**Eligibility:**

- The nominee(s) should ideally hold IGS membership or have a majority of IGS members
- There is no restriction on career stage(s) of the nominee(s).
- Unless part of a group/team, no individual may receive the award more than once.
- Unless part of a group/team nomination, an individual may only be considered for one IGS award in any given year.

**Nominations:** The nominator may be anyone with sufficient knowledge of the nominee and must be a current member of IGS. Self-nominations are not accepted.

A nomination package should include:

1. A nomination letter (up to 3 pages) that explicitly articulates how the nominee(s) meets/meet the award criteria, highlighting and providing evidence of the importance, novelty, sustained impact and transformative character of the research. Where appropriate, the letter should also discuss the nominee's/nominees' achievements in relation to the opportunities and challenges with which they have been presented over their career.
2. An abridged CV (up to 2 pages) of the individual or group/team that is created by the nominator. Guidance will be provided as to the content to be included.
3. Three other letters of support (up to 2 pages each, excluding the signature page). Support letters from diverse groups and scientists at different career stages, including those mentored by the nominator, are encouraged.

The nomination and support letters may be multi-signatory, but any individual may sign only one of these letters (nomination or support) per candidate.