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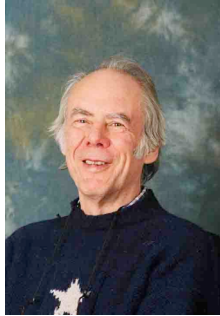
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The Sir Nicholas Shackleton Medal for outstanding young Quaternary scientists

INQUA has established the **Sir Nicholas Shackleton Medal** in recognition of the many contributions of Nick Shackleton, a giant in the field of Quaternary science. The medal will be awarded once every four years to an outstanding young Quaternary scientist, chosen by his or her peers and evaluated by a blue-ribbon committee of distinguished scientists. The medal, INQUA's first, honours Nick's distinguished career in Quaternary geochronology and paleoclimatology, which spanned 40 years and was based on isotopic studies of deep-sea sediment. Shackleton was showered with honours by his peers and the wider scientific community, thus a medal in his name seems appropriate and necessary. Nick served INQUA for 12 years, first as a Vice-President, then, from 1998 to 2003, as President, and most recently as Past-President.

- In principle, any scientist working in the field of Quaternary sciences may propose an appropriate candidate under 35 years of age for the Sir Nicholas Shackleton Medal.
- Proposals should include a summary and a short personal statement in support of the candidate, the *curriculum vitae* and list of publications of the nominee, and two letters of recommendation (see details on the nomination form below).
- Proposals should be submitted directly to both the Secretary-General of INQUA and the Chair of the Committee. The deadline is **April 30th 2007**. Late proposals will not be considered for the current round of selection.
- Proposals will be forwarded to the Members of the Medal Committee, who will consider each case in confidence and may seek further information if it is deemed necessary.
- After the evaluation, the Chairperson of the Committee will send the recommendation of the Committee, together with a one page summary and a two-line citation of the selected candidate, to the Secretary-General of INQUA by **June 1st 2007**. The Secretary General will prepare and forward the necessary documents and citations to the Executive Committee members for final approval. The President of INQUA will then inform the medalist of the award. The medalist will be invited to the next General Assembly of the Union, where the medal will be presented. A copy of the award letter will be sent to the President of the Organizing Committee of INQUA Congress and the Chairperson of the Medal Committee.
- The President of the Organizing Committee will be asked to invite the Medalist to give a lecture at the INQUA Congress. The Programme Committee of the INQUA Congress will incorporate the Medal Lecture into the overall programme of the meeting, either as a "stand-alone" talk or as an "invited" contribution in an appropriate session.

A nomination form is attached below:

Closing date for receipt of this nomination is April 30th 2007

Nomination Form –Shackleton Medal

- **Nominators: Two nominators are required and each should attach a letter of support for the candidate. The nominators should be two independent persons from different national organizations, preferably (but not essentially) from different countries. At least one of the nominators must be from an INQUA member country**

Nominator 1:

Name:

Address:

e-mail.....

fax..... (include country code)

Nominator 2:

Name:

Address:

e-mail.....

fax..... (include country code)

Please attach each of the following:

1. **Two letters of support – one letter from each nominator named above**
2. **A *curriculum vitae* of the nominee**
3. **A list of the publications of the nominee**
4. **A short statement of major contributions to Quaternary research of the nominee.**

**Please send this nomination form and the attached letters and statements as outlined in 1-4 above to:
the Secretary-General of INQUA:**

pcoxon@tcd.ie

and to the Chairperson of the Award Committee:

Denis.Rousseau@gm.univ-montp2.fr

Please note that all nominations received will be acknowledged.

**If you do not receive an acknowledgement by e-mail please fax a cover letter with your contact details to
+ 353 1 677 1445**