06_ IFSA Award for Outstanding Applications of Fuzzy Technology (Draft was of July, 2005)

The IFSA Award for Outstanding Applications of Fuzzy Technology is awarded to engineers and scientists who have made significant contributions to the transfer of fuzzy logic technology from the research environment to successful commercial, industrial, or medical applications. This award recognized the importance of technology transfer and the role that the development of successful applications have played in the growth of fuzzy set theory and its acceptance by the scientific and engineering communities.

Eligibility: Individual scientists and engineers, teams, or organizations are eligible to receive the award.

Nomination: The nomination must include.

- a. The name of the scientists, research team, and/or organization being nominated.
- b. A description of the application and its use in a commercial, industrial, or medical environment. The description should indicate how fuzzy set theory was necessary for the successful development of the application or provided an improvement over the existing technology.
- c. Supporting documentation that provides evidence of the novelty, utility, and the importance of the contribution. Documentation may include, but is not restricted to, scholarly publications describing the application, technical reports, patents, and stories in the press.

A nomination must endorsed by three members of an IFSA associated society.

Nominations should be sent to the IFSA Vice-President for Awards.

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Nature of award: The award will be presented at the biannual IFSA World Congress.

The award will consist of

- 1. a plaque recognizing the achievement, and
- 2. round trip travel expenses (for one person, economy class) to the IFSA World Congress.

In addition, the Award Selection Committee, in conjunction with the IFSA World Congress Organizing Committee, may request the awardee to give a lecture at the IFSA World Council.

Nomination timetable: Twelve months before IFSA World Congressnominations solicited. Six months before IFSA Congress-deadline for nominations. Three months before IFSA Congressannouncement of winner.

Nomination solicitations: Nominations will be solicited by

- 1. an announcement at the IFSA Council Meeting,
- 2. announcements in Fuzzy Sets and Systems,
- 3. email to all IFSA societies to distribute to their members, and
- 4. an announcement on the IFSA website.

Selection: An Applications Award Selection Committee will be named by the IFSA Council. The Committee will consist of five members of the IFSA Council and be chaired by IFSA Vice-President for awards.