

INCE Hirschorn IAC Prize – Best Paper Award Paper Submission Instructions

1. CONCEPT

The INCE Foundation, as part of a grant endowment, awards the Martin Hirschorn IAC Prize each year. The award alternates annually between the Best Paper Award and the Student Project Award. The Best Paper Award is granted for the best paper on new and/or improved cost effective noise control and/or acoustical conditioning products as published in the two calendar years preceding the award. Eligible papers are judged by a subcommittee of the INCE Honors and Awards committee. Members of the selection committee include representatives from academe, professional consulting, industry, government and former award winners. Decision of the judges will be final.

The award includes a cash prize of \$5000 to be paid to the author (or split among co-authors) of the winning paper. For tax purposes the winner(s) will be required to supply their Social Security Number(s).

2. FREQUENCY

This Best Paper Award will be made at 2-year intervals.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3A. The Best Paper Award is evaluated according to the stated prize criterion of “the best paper on new and/or improved cost-effective noise control and/or acoustical conditioning products” for papers published in the two calendar years preceding the award. This means that papers published in 2006 and 2007 are eligible for the award in 2008.
- 3B. All papers published in *Noise Control Engineering Journal* (NCEJ) in the two calendar years preceding the award and meeting the stated prize criterion will be considered automatically and need not be submitted for consideration. Other papers published in recognized technical journals or technical conference proceedings are also eligible for consideration. Articles from trade magazines, promotional literature, internet-based publications, or other non-published materials will not be considered.
- 3C. All submitted papers must be written in English.
- 3D. Any person authoring of a qualifying paper within the applicable time period is eligible for submission and consideration for the INCE Hirschorn IAC Prize – Best Paper Award. INCE membership is not a requirement for eligibility.

4. APPLICATION PACKAGE

An application package for non-NCEJ papers should be sent to the Vice President of INCE Honors and Awards, consisting of the following elements:

- 4A. The author's name (including co-authors, if any), mailing address, telephone number, professional affiliation, and email address. The title of the paper and a citation, including the name of the published journal or conference proceeding.
- 4B. A short paragraph stating why the paper should be considered for the award.
- 4C. A reprint copy of the paper itself, preferably in the same format as it actually appeared in the publication.

It is highly preferred to receive the submission package (items 4A and 4B) and submitted paper (item 4C) in electronic format, as separate documents, in either Adobe Acrobat (pdf) or Microsoft Word (doc) format, however, hardcopy submission is also acceptable.

Application packages for the 2020 INCE Hirschorn IAC Prize – Best Paper Award, including the above information, should be received by INCE no later than April 9, 2020. Send packages, either electronically or by mail to:

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