**Mikio Takagi Student Prize**

**Description:** The Mikio Takagi Student Prize (MTStP) is to recognize a student who has presented an outstanding paper at the IEEE Geoscience and Remote Sensing Symposium (IGARSS). Second sentence: The Mikio Takagi Student Prize is given to the first one of three top GRSS Student Prize Paper Awards.

**Administration:** The Prize will be administered by GRSS, delegated to IGARSS, and further delegated to the IGARSS Student Paper Competition Committee (IGARSS SPCC). The name of the winner will be forwarded to the IEEE Foundation to receive the honorarium.

**Eligibility:** The Prize recipient must be a student, be registered at the Symposium and have presented the paper. Further the criteria for the GRSS Student Prize Paper Award apply. Eligibility and the selection process shall comply with procedures and regulation established in IEEE and Society governing documents, particularly with IEEE Policy 4.4 on Awards Limitations.

Eligibility and Selection process shall comply with procedures and regulation established in IEEE and Society governing documents, particularly with IEEE Policy 4.4 on Awards Limitations.

**Funds:** The Prize fund is held by the IEEE Foundation. A fund of US$10,000 from the family and friends of Professor Mikio Takagi was originally deposited with the IEEE Foundation. From this fund yearly US$500 are contributed to the Mikio Takagi Student Prize as long as the fund is active. The additional Prize, presently US$500,and cost are covered through the IEEE GRSS budget. The society's budget includes the amount for this award AND the Society budget is net positive with the inclusion of the award.

**Prize Items:** The student presenting an outstanding paper will receive a certificate and an honorarium of US$1000.

**Nominee Solicitation:** The availability of the MikioTakagi Student Prize will be announced each year by the IGARSS Committee.

**Award Committee:** The IGARSS SPCC will evaluate and judge the papers selected by the Program Committee of IGARSS. The First Place winner of the competition shall be the recipient of the Mikio Takagi Student Prize.

**Schedule:** Approximately five months prior to the Symposium date, the TPC with the support of the Awards Chair will select the papers for presentation and identify those accepted as Student Papers. These papers will be scheduled by the TPC for oral presentation in regular technical sessions, prior to the IGARSS Banquet, usually held on Wednesday. At the option of the author(s) these papers may also be presented in the Interactive (poster) Session.

The authors of these papers shall be informed by the Awards Committee Chair that the paper must be presented personally, and that the winner(s) must be present at the Banquet when announced. The Awards Committee Chair with the approval of the President of GRSS shall inform the Award winner(s).

**Selection/Basic for Judging:** The selection criteria will include paper content, originality, significance and quality of presentation.

**Award Presentation:** The award shall be presented at an awards ceremony during IGARSS. The checks will be mailed after clarifying the tax items.

**Publicity:** A feature publication will be published in the IEEE TRANSACTIONS ON GEOSCIENCE AND REMOTE SENSING and/or in the GRS Magazine.