**IEEE GRSS SYMPOSIUM PRIZE PAPER AWARD**

**Criteria:** The GRSS established the Symposium Prize Paper Award to recognize the author(s) who presented at the GRSS Symposium (IGARSS) an exceptional paper in terms of content and impact on the GRSS. In selecting the paper, other factors considered are originality, clarity and timeliness of the paper. The published versions of the papers in the Digest shall also be evaluated.

**Administration:** The award will be administered by the GRSS.

**Eligibility:** Papers orally presented in a Sessions of IGARSS and published in the Proceedings of IGARSS. 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.

**Award Items:** Certificate and check for US$1250. In case of multiple authors, each will receive a certificate and the cash award will be shared among the coauthors.

**Funds:** Funds will be provided from the GRSS treasury.

**Selection Procedure:** The Technical Program Chairman of the IGARSS will request nominations from the Session Chairs, and these nominations will be forwarded to the Awards Committee Chair. The Awards Committee (PAC) will accept these nominations, examine the corresponding papers in the Digest, and select an exceptional paper to be recommended to GRSS AdCom. The GRSS AdCom approves the selection.

**Schedule:** Nominations for the Symposium Prize Papers shall be conducted during IGARSS. The titles and scores of the outstanding papers shall be forwarded to the GRSS Awards Committee within one month following IGARSS. The Awards Committee shall accept these nominations and make a selection to recommend to AdCom by about six months prior to the following year's IGARSS.

**Presentation:** The award shall be presented at an awards ceremony during IGARSS of the following year.

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