

The call for nominations for the IUPAP Interdisciplinary Early Career Science Prize is now open. The deadline for nomination submissions is **April 30, 2025 (midnight UTC)**

The IUPAP Interdisciplinary Early Career Science Prize (IECSP) was established to recognize the contribution of Early Career Scientists who carry out and/or facilitate interdisciplinary research that does not fit within a single field of physics covered by one of the IUPAP Commissions. For this award, the call would be for the nomination of candidates whose research combines the fields addressed by more than one IUPAP Commission, Affiliated Commission or Working Group. In view of the start of the International Year of Quantum and Physics for Sustainability, nominations pertaining to this area are encouraged.

Up to two winners will be selected for the IECSP (one each for 2024 and 2025), which would be presented at the IUPAP General Assembly to be held in 2025. Each prize will consist of CHF1000, a medal, and a certificate.

Nominees for the Prize should have completed their Ph.D in 2016 or later. Candidates who completed their Ph.D earlier may be considered for justifiable career interruptions (such as maternity or health reasons etc.) for requesting extension of the deadline. In such cases the justification should be included in the nomination letter for seeking extension of the deadline. The nominee should be the principal contributor to the original work of outstanding scientific quality in an interdisciplinary area which includes at least two physics fields. Nominators are encouraged to consider candidates of diverse backgrounds in terms of gender, geographical region and underrepresented groups. Development of a new instrument, a new experimental technique or a new method of data analysis and/or interpretation in one field by a candidate may have resulted in its application to other fields, leading to interdisciplinary research. Such candidates whose work fostered interdisciplinary research should also be considered for this prize. The nomination package may include,

(1) A nomination letter stating the fields of physics that are covered by the research of the nominee. This letter should list at least two IUPAP Commissions, Affiliated Commissions or Working Groups that cover those fields. In cases where deadline extension is requested due to career interruption(s) explanation for why that is required should be included in the letter. During the evaluation process additional documentation to support the nomination could be sought.

(2) Two letters of support

(3) A CV of the nominee

(4) A statement signed by the nominator declaring that the candidate is not under consideration for another IUPAP Early Career Science Prize at the time of submission

(5) The nomination package should contain a statement signed by the nominator stating that “to the best of their knowledge, there are no concerns that Executive Council of IUPAP should be aware of regarding the nominee not satisfying the expectation that he/she meets the commonly held standards of professional ethics and scientific integrity”.

The nomination package should be uploaded using the nomination form by April 30, 2025, as stated above. A decision on the winners of the prizes would be made at a subsequent

meeting of the IUPAP Executive Council and Commission Chairs. The awardees would be notified thereafter.

PROCEDURES (INTERNAL, NOT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE CALL).

The administrative secretariat will collect all the submissions identifying the Commissions and/or Working Groups that are mentioned in the nominations. The President designate would organize the first meeting with the Chairs of Commissions and Working Groups mentioned in the submission packages to organize their analysis and discussion. Additional meetings would be organized, eventually including all Commission Chairs to come up with a shortlist. This shortlist will be discussed at the subsequent meeting of EC&CC (before the GA in 2025) at which the decision on the awardees would be made.