

WMS Program Advisory Committee (PAC) Award Nomination Criteria and Information

WM Symposia has established the WMS Program Advisory Committee (PAC) Award to annually recognize an individual whose outstanding contributions have helped make and keep the annual WM Conference the world's premier conference on the management and disposal of nuclear waste.

The first WMS PAC Award was given to Mort Wacks at WM2003, in recognition of his significant contributions in establishing and maintaining the WM Conference. Past recipients include: Kim Auclair, WM2018; Tom Brouns, WM2017; Larry Harmon, WM2016; Bernard Vigreux, WM2015; Wolfgang Steinwarz, WM2014; Lance Mezga, WM2013; Leon Borduin, WM2012; Fred Sheil, WM2011; Linda Ulland, WM2010; James McCray, WM2009; Jack McElroy, WM2008; Al Freitag, WM2007; John Mathieson, WM2006; Leif Eriksson, WM2005; and Harry Babad, WM2004.

CRITERIA

The recipient should have been involved in the annual WM Conference and made a significant contribution to the conference over a period of several years. They should be respected by the PAC members;

AND

Have organized one or more sessions (regular track, special or workshop) for the conference over that period of time including:

- Identifying and contacting appropriate speakers, arranging for session chairs, reviewing papers, and ensuring each presenter registers for and attends the conference;
- Met or spoke with session presenters in advance of the conference (including the Speakers' Breakfast) to ensure smooth conduct of the session; and
- Completed the session evaluation form following each session organized to ensure feedback was provided on that session and topic for consideration by the PAC. Also includes nominating a paper for the annual Best Paper Award (as appropriate).

OR

Promoted attendance/participation at the conference, such as:

- Arranging for conference sponsorship (such as grants or commercial sponsors) or encouraging attendance by members of their agency or corporation, including international participants;
- Arranging for embedded topicals, side or parallel meetings to increase attendance at the conference; and
- Sponsoring special sessions made up of senior level participants whose attendance at the conference increase meeting attendance.

NOMINATIONS

Please submit your WM2019 nomination [online](#) no later than **November 1, 2018**. All questions related to the WMS PAC Award should be directed to Fred Sheil, Chair of the WM BOD Honors & Awards Committee. He can be reached by phone at +44-19-00-821061 or by email at Fred@Sheil.myzen.co.uk.

