

## Guidelines for IAPR Fellowship nomination

### **IMPORTANT**

**Nominator** Any member of an IAPR Member Society can serve as a nominator except members of the IAPR Fellow Committee and the Nominee. Nominators should complete the electronic Nomination Form available at

<http://www.iapr.org/fellowsandawards>.

**Endorser** Any member of an IAPR Member Society or an IAPR Fellow can serve as endorser. Endorsers should complete the electronic Endorsement Form available at

<http://www.iapr.org/fellowsandawards>.

Endorsers should briefly describe their relationship to the candidate, how they personally became aware of the importance of the accomplishments of the candidate and of their impact on the IAPR scientific community.

**Nominee** Anyone is eligible to be nominated, except for current members of the Executive Committee and of the Fellow Committee.

**Note:** Nominators are requested to provide h-index data for the nominee as well as any other information that might be useful for the evaluation process.

**Note:** Each nomination must be endorsed by at least one Endorsement form. This form is to be submitted independently by the endorser.

### **General Information**

**Electronic Submissions.** All electronic documents (Nomination and Endorsement forms) must be submitted electronically. In the case of any submission problems, an email should be sent to the Fellow Committee Chair:

To: [tista@uniss.it](mailto:tista@uniss.it)

Subject: IAPR Fellowship 2020

CC: [webmaster@iapr.org](mailto:webmaster@iapr.org)

**Proper and Accurate Description of Contributions.** A concise and accurate description of the technical contributions of the nominee is of great importance. Superfluous or exaggerated prose may detract from, rather than enhance, the nomination. Avoid undefined technical jargon. Provide objective facts and avoid implicit assumptions. Use an acronym only if the full name has been spelled out previously. Include information concerning impact of the nominee's research. In particular, the nominator should provide dated Google Scholar h-index and total number of publications, but other proofs of measurable impact are also appreciated.

**Source of Nomination Data.** The nominator is expected to be personally aware of the nominee's contributions. For confidential purposes, the necessary facts should be obtained from the nominee only if the complete and correct background information is not available elsewhere. The only documentary evidence for the nominee's activities and papers that needs to be included is the h-index data. Note that if it is felt that the information provided is incorrect or insufficient during the selection process, the Fellow Committee reserves the right to request from the nominator the necessary documentary evidence or information in support of the nomination. Examples of evidence that may have to be provided include a copy of the first page of the listed papers, participant list, pages listing nominee as panellist, committee member, referee, etc.

**IMPORTANT:** The nominator is the sole contact in the nomination process.

**Nominees should have no contact with IAPR regarding their own nominations.**

**New Fellows Announcement.** The newly elected IAPR Fellows will be announced during the 25th ICPR in Milan (Italy) 13 - 18 September 2020, when a Fellow Certificate, signed by the IAPR President, will be given to each new Fellow together with a Fellowship pin. The names of the IAPR Fellows will also be published in the IAPR Newsletter and in the IAPR webpage together with the corresponding citations.

By 30th May 2020 the IAPR Fellow Committee Chair will notify by e-mail nominators and endorsers about the outcome of the evaluation process regarding their corresponding nominees (both for successful and unsuccessful candidates) and inform the new Fellows before ICPR, to allow them to personally receive their certificate. It is then left to their discretion to keep this fact secret until the award ceremony. New Fellows will also be asked for the contact address (typically the Head of their Institution and their Head of Department) to which the announcement of the new Fellowship should be sent by the IAPR president.

**Evaluation Process.** Every two years, the Executive Committee upon recommendation by the Fellow Committee selects new Fellows. The number of new Fellows selected biennially cannot exceed 0.25% of the total IAPR membership. Each nominator is expected to pay thorough attention to the nominee's qualification for becoming an IAPR Fellow in terms of scientific/engineering excellence and the extent of their service to and participation in IAPR events. Note that *both* excellence and service to IAPR are necessary to become an IAPR Fellow.

The Fellow Committee also assumes that candidates have already been recognized for their scientific/engineering achievements, at least by the IAPR member societies they belong to (or are going to belong to), and that their achievements in the field of pattern recognition are well-known internationally. This means that to be successful, a candidate needs endorsements from members of several different IAPR member societies.

The evaluation process is accomplished by the IAPR Fellow Committee. All nomination materials will be treated in confidence by the IAPR Fellow Committee. The Fellow Committee selects candidates to become IAPR Fellows, according to the following criteria:

- Significant contributions as Research Engineer/Scientist, Application Engineer/Practitioner, or Technical Leader
- Evidence of scientific/technical accomplishments
- Research impact
- Confidential opinions of nominators and endorsers
- Service to IAPR and participation in IAPR sponsored activities
- International recognition