



CATSA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD PROTOCOL

PREAMBLE

The aim of the CATSA Lifetime Achievement Award Protocol is to provide the CATSA Committee with guidelines on how to proceed with awarding this honour.

CRITERIA FOR AWARD ELIGIBILITY

1. The recipient must be an individual who enjoys considerable recognition in the South African catalysis community. The recipient must have been active in the field of catalysis in South Africa for at least a substantial part of his or her career, and very importantly, be deemed to have made significant contributions to the field, especially in promoting catalysis in South Africa. Special emphasis should be on constructive and motivational interaction with postgraduate students. Moreover, since the award celebrates a “lifetime achievement”, the recipient is likely to be about to formally retire or will already be formally retired. Ideally, the nominee would still be, and be likely to still remain, active in promoting catalysis.
2. The recipient must attend the Annual CATSA Conference where the award will be awarded. The recipient should also undertake to give a talk reflecting on their career in catalysis either at the formal Conference Banquet or within the technical programme of the Conference.
3. The Award shall be granted a maximum of once only in the career of an individual.
4. The Award may be posthumous (in which case a previous colleague is likely to give a talk reflecting on the recipient’s career). The nominee, however, should be alive when nominated.

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1. The selection process involves nominations to the Committee of the Society. The proposer must submit the name and maximum one page motivation by the end of January of the year of the Award to the Chairperson of the Society.
2. The CATSA Committee, after thorough debate concerning the merits of the candidates and taking into consideration both the aims of the Award and the prevailing goals of the Society, will either approve or reject the nomination. Upon acceptance of the conditions of the Award, the recipient and the CATSA Conference Organiser (preferably of the conference taking place in the same year as the Award) will be informed and the ceremony will become part of the conference programme.
3. The CATSA Chairperson and CATSA Conference Organiser (or nominee) will act as the hosts of the Award recipient on behalf of CATSA and will be responsible for all organisational issues associated with the Award.
4. The recipient will be honoured at the Conference Banquet with the presentation of a commemorative scroll.
5. Should the recipient be formally retired, the Society will pay both the recipient’s conference fee and (reasonable) accommodation expenses for one day. [If the conference charges an all-inclusive flat rate, then 1/3 of that cost will be paid; since a number of conference cost models could apply, the spirit of this clause is that the Society will pay the recipient’s costs for attendance on the day of the Award.]
6. Although this may be awarded annually, it is not deemed necessary to make awards every year but rather depends on the availability of suitable candidates.