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Annexes: 2 (Annex 1 available in English only)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to invite WMO Members to submit nominations for the sixty-fifth IMO Prize.

The prestigious IMO Prize is awarded annually to a selected individual for his/her outstanding work in the field of meteorology or in any other field referred to in Article 2 of the WMO Convention. The scientific value of the work and the services rendered at the international level are taken into consideration in selecting the laureate. Detailed information on the Prize and nomination procedures are provided in the attached nomination form. I wish to invite your attention to the fact that candidates cannot be proposed posthumously and that not more than three candidates proposed by any Member can be considered for the Prize in any given year.

The sixty-fifth IMO Prize will be awarded by the WMO Executive Council in June 2020. The deadline for submission of nominations is **Monday, 8 June 2020**. Nominations received after 8 June 2020 will not be considered for the sixty-fifth prize but will be retained for subsequent awards during the eighteenth financial period of the Organization 2020-2023.

A list of the previous winners is given in Annex 1 to this letter, while the nomination form is Annex 2.

I have the further honour to invite you to send the nomination form, list of publications and curriculum vitae or résumé as PDF files and the summary of accomplishments in MS Word doc, docx or RTF to the following email address: [IMOPrize\\_nominations@wmo.int](mailto:IMOPrize_nominations@wmo.int).

I should like to bring your kind attention to the fact that a copy of this letter is being sent to WMO Permanent Representatives, and to Permanent Missions of Member States with WMO in Geneva.

Accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration.

P. Taalas  
Secretary-General

To: Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Members of the World Meteorological Organization

## INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION (IMO)

## PRIZE WINNERS

1st	1956	Dr Th. Hesselberg	Norway
2nd	1957	Professor C.G. Rossby	Sweden/USA
3rd	1958	Mr E. Gold	UK
4th	1959	Professor J. Bjerknes	Norway/USA
5th	1960	Professor J. van Mieghem	Belgium
6th	1961	Dr K.R. Ramanathan	India
7th	1962	Dr A. Angström	Sweden
8th	1963	Dr R.C. Sutcliffe	UK
9th	1964	Dr F.W. Reichelderfer	USA
10th	1965	Professor S. Petterssen	Norway/USA
11th	1966	Dr T.H.P. Bergeron	Sweden
12th	1967	Professor K.Y. Kondratyev	former USSR
13th	1968	Sir Graham Sutton	UK
14th	1969	Professor E. Palmén	Finland
15th	1970	Professor R. Scherhag	Germany
16th	1971	Professor J.G. Charney	USA
17th	1972	Academician V.A. Bugaev	former USSR
18th	1973	Dr C.H.B. Priestley	Australia
		Mr J.S. Sawyer	UK
19th	1974	Professor J. Smagorinsky	USA
20th	1975	Dr W.L. Godson	Canada
21st	1976	Academician E.K. Fedorov	former USSR
22nd	1977	Dr G.P. Cressman	USA
23rd	1978	Dr A. Nyberg	Sweden
24th	1979	Professor H.E. Landsberg	USA
25th	1980	Dr R.M. White	USA
26th	1981	Professor B. Bolin	Sweden
27th	1982	Dr W.J. Gibbs	Australia
28th	1983	Professor J.J. Burgos	Argentina
		Mr M.F. Taha	Egypt
29th	1984	Professor T. Malone	USA
30th	1985	Sir Arthur Davies	UK
31st	1986	Dr H. Flohn	Germany
32nd	1987	Professor M.I. Budyko	former USSR
33rd	1988	Dr F. Kenneth Hare	Canada
34th	1989	Professor P.R. Pisharoty	India
35th	1990	Dr R.E. Hallgren	USA
36th	1991	Dr R. Fjørtoft	Norway
37th	1992	Professor Yu. A. Izrael	Russian Federation
38th	1993	Professor V.E. Suomi	USA
39th	1994	Mr J.P. Bruce	Canada
40th	1995	Dr R.L. Kintanar	Philippines
41st	1996	Dr T.N. Krishnamurti	USA
42nd	1997	Dr Mariano A. Estoque	Philippines
43rd	1998	Sir John Houghton	UK
44th	1999	Professor James C.I. Dooge	Ireland
45th	2000	Professor-Emeritus Edward N. Lorenz	USA
46th	2001	Lorenz	Iran
47th	2002	Dr Mohammad Hassan Ganji	USA
48th	2003	Joanne Simpson	China
49th	2004	Professor Duzheng Ye	Denmark
50th	2005	Dr Bennert Machenhauer	Australia

51st	2006	Dr John W. Zillman	Sweden
52nd	2007	Professor Lennart Bengtsson	India/USA
53rd	2008	Professor Jagadish Shukla	China
54th	2009	Dr Qin Dahe Dr Eugenia Kalnay	Argentina/USA
55th	2010	Professor Taroh Matsuno	Japan
56th	2011	Professor Aksel Wiin-Nielsen	Denmark
57th	2012	Professor Dr Zaviša Janjić	Serbia/USA
58th	2013	Dr Tillmann Mohr	Germany
59th	2014	Dr A.I. Bedritskiy	Russian Federation
60th	2015	Professor Dame Julia Mary Slingo	UK
61st	2016	Professor Qingcun Zeng	China
62nd	2017	Professor Gordon McBean	Canada
63rd	2018	Dr Antonio Divino Moura	Brazil
64th	2019	Dr Sergej Zilitinkevich	Russian Federation/ Sweden



# WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION

## NOMINATION FORM

### **INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION (IMO) PRIZE**

The International Meteorological Organization (IMO) Prize is the most prestigious prize awarded by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO), a specialized agency of the United Nations. The title for this Prize originates from the non-governmental International Meteorological Organization, which was established in 1873; the IMO was the predecessor of the intergovernmental WMO, which came into being in 1950.

#### *The IMO Prize consists of:*

- (a) A fourteen-carat gold medal 57 mm in diameter. It bears on one side the official WMO emblem and on the other side the Latin inscription "Pro singulari erga scientiam meteorologicam merito";
- (b) A monetary award of CHF 10 000; and
- (c) A parchment scroll.

#### ELIGIBILITY

The IMO Prize is awarded annually to individuals for outstanding work in the field of meteorology or in any other field referred to in Article 2 of the WMO Convention, which appears on the next page.

#### NOMINATION PROCEDURE

The number of candidates considered for the Prize in any given year should not exceed three, submitted by one Member. Members may nominate qualified individuals from any Member State or Territory. A nomination received after the opening of a session of the Executive Council shall not be considered at that session, but shall be taken into consideration for all subsequent Prizes during that financial period.

The names of candidates presented by Members (Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Permanent Mission of a Member State with WMO or the Permanent Representative of a Member State/Territory with WMO) will be referred to the IMO Prize Selection Committee, if they do not fall into any of the following categories:

- (a) Members of the Executive Council who, as electors, are not eligible for the award during their term of office as members of the Executive Council;
- (b) Candidates who are no longer alive on the date of their nomination. The award may nevertheless be made posthumously to a candidate who passed away between the date of nomination and the award of the Prize.

## Nominee

Include name, professional and home mailing address, present occupational title and institutional affiliation. Please enclose a curriculum vitae or résumé.

## Summary of accomplishments

Provide a brief statement (2 pages max.) of the individual's achievements in the fields for which the award is proposed. Be precise and factual. Attach a list of the individual's relevant publications, if any (please do not send the publications themselves).

## Length of candidacy

The length of candidacy spans the four-year financial period of the World Meteorological Organization. A candidate submitted for a given Prize but not chosen for the award of that year is retained on the list of candidates for subsequent Prizes during that financial period. The financial period of WMO for which the nomination is to be considered is from 2020 to 2023.

## Nomination form

Electronic copies of the Nomination form for the International Meteorological Organization (IMO) Prize can be obtained from:

The Secretary-General's Office  
World Meteorological Organization  
P.O. Box 2300  
1211 Geneva 2 – SWITZERLAND  
[IMOPrize\\_nominations@wmo.int](mailto:IMOPrize_nominations@wmo.int)

## Deadline for nominations

Signed nominations for the sixty-fifth IMO Prize must be received by email in PDF at [IMOPrize\\_nominations@wmo.int](mailto:IMOPrize_nominations@wmo.int), no later than **8 June 2020**.

## EXTRACT FROM THE WMO CONVENTION

### Article 2

#### PURPOSES

The purposes of the Organization shall be:

- (a) To facilitate worldwide cooperation in the establishment of networks of stations for the making of meteorological observations as well as hydrological and other geophysical observations related to meteorology, and to promote the establishment and maintenance of centres charged with the provisions of meteorological and related services;
- (b) To promote the establishment and maintenance of systems for the rapid exchange of meteorological and related information;
- (c) To promote standardization of meteorological and related observations and to ensure the uniform publication of observations and statistics;
- (d) To further the application of meteorology to aviation, shipping, water problems, agriculture and other human activities;
- (e) To promote activities in operational hydrology and to further close cooperation between Meteorological and Hydrological Services;
- (f) To encourage research and training in meteorology and, as appropriate, in related fields and to assist in coordinating the international aspects of such research and training.

NOMINATION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL  
METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION (IMO) PRIZE

**NOMINEE** (name in full):

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DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: .....

NATIONALITY: .....

ADDRESS: .....

Telephone: ..... Telefax: .....

Email: .....

EDUCATION: .....

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RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS AND SCIENTIFIC PAPERS (Please attach a list but not the  
publications.)

RELEVANT INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES:

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CURRICULUM VITAE (Please attach a curriculum vitae.)

SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS (Please attach a 1 or 2 page outline of nominee's  
significant contributions in the fields relevant to the Prize.)

**NOMINATOR** (Minister of Foreign Affairs, Permanent Mission of a Member State with WMO, or Permanent Representative of a Member State/Territory with WMO)

NAME OF WMO MEMBER STATE/TERRITORY: .....

NAME OF NOMINATOR (in full): .....

ADDRESS: .....

Telephone: ..... Telefax: .....

Email: .....

POSITION/TITLE: .....

DATE: .....

SIGNATURE: .....

### IMPORTANT GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS

***Please send your nominations to: [IMOPrize\\_nominations@wmo.int](mailto:IMOPrize_nominations@wmo.int):***

The words “IMO nomination” must appear in the subject line of the email. The email must also have as attachments: (1) as PDF, a completed nomination form signed by the appropriate person, (2) the nominee’s curriculum vitae or résumé, (3) as a Word file, a 1- or 2-page summary of his/her achievements, and (4) a list of the nominee’s relevant publications (if any).