

Call for nominations IEEE IFCS awards 2018

Dear UFFC members and friends of the International Frequency Control Symposium (IFCS)

First, let me thank our community for nominating their colleagues for recognition this past year. The three IFCS awards were presented at the 2017 Joint IFCS/EFTF Conference held in Besançon, France. The following are our 2017 distinguished colleagues:

Ulrich Rohde – W. G. Cady Awardee,

Scott Diddams – I. I. Rabi Awardee

Ronald Stephens – C. B. Sawyer Awardee

These outstanding scientists/engineers, mentors, and leaders remind us of the rich quality of our society's membership, and provide us all with excellent examples of achievement.

The 2018 IFCS awards nomination process is now open, and I am asking you to reflect on individuals who have inspired you in your efforts, and who exemplify the best of our society's work.

1. Please search the awardees lists for the W. G. Cady, I. I. Rabi and C. B. Sawyer Awards at <https://iee-uffc.org/frequency-control/frequency-control-awards/>, and check to insure that the nominee has not been previously selected for the award you are considering them for.
2. Keep in mind that an individual who has been selected previously for one award (*e.g.*, the Cady award) can nonetheless be nominated for a different award (*e.g.*, the Rabi award). Remember also that you can re-nominate candidates who were not selected in prior years.

I encourage you to offer your nominations before January 15th, 2018 in preparation for the upcoming 2018 IEEE International Frequency Control Symposium. The conference will be held 21-24 May 2018 at the Resort at Squaw Creek, Olympic Valley, California, USA.

For your general information, the nomination procedure and award definitions follow on the next page, and may also be viewed at <https://iee-uffc.org/frequency-control/award-descriptions-and-nomination-procedures/>. As in past years, a nomination template will be provided at <http://www.ifcs2018.org/> in order to promote uniformity in the award selection process. Please use this template for your nomination submission. Please also note that letters of recommendation may accompany the nomination template, but are not a prerequisite for nomination.

Best regards,
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Nominations must be received by January 15th, 2018 to be considered for the 2018 IEEE IFCS awards selection.

Overview

Nominations are welcome from anyone, and should be submitted to the Awards Chair via e-mail at james.c.camparo@aero.org.

This year the Frequency Control Standing Committee has established the following rules for nominations:

- Self-nomination is permitted for each of the IFCS Awards.
- There is no limit to the number of successive annual nominations an individual may receive.
- Previous IFCS Awardees may be nominated for one of the other awards in succeeding years.
- The nomination of a group whose work is highly related to the citation given in the nomination is permitted for each of the IFCS Awards.
- Double nomination, that is an individual nominating two different people for the *same* award in the *same* IFCS Awards Call year, is not permitted.
- An individual can only be considered for one of the IFCS Awards in any IFCS Awards Call year.
- If an individual self-nominates for one award, they may nonetheless nominate another individual for a different award. However, they cannot nominate an individual for the same award that they have self-nominated.

As in past years, a template to promote uniformity for nomination submissions will be provided at the 2018 IEEE International Frequency Control Symposium website, <http://www.ifcs2018.org/>.

Nominating Procedure

Each written nomination must identify the award, the nominator, and include the following:

1. A proposed citation for the nominee using a single sentence.
2. The current address (regular and e-mail) of the nominee and nominator.
3. The nominator's justification for the award, describing the nominee's accomplishments (for example initiative, ingenuity, creativity, quality and degree of success, etc.), and their importance to the frequency control community. This justification should not exceed 300 words.
4. Letters of recommendation may accompany the nomination form (or be sent separately), but are not a prerequisite for the nomination.

The nomination package should not exceed two pages in length as limited by the template. Individual letters of support and documentation (*e.g.*, publication lists, institutional accolades) can be sent separately to the attention of the Awards Chair, and be clearly identified so that the relation to the respective nominee is unambiguous. All supporting documentation will be made available on the nominee's voting page. ***Please submit all nominations using email and the nomination template found at <http://www.ifcs2018.org/>.***

The three awards under consideration for nominees are defined as follows:

1. **The W. G. Cady Award** – Recognizes outstanding contributions related to the fields of crystal resonators, frequency control, frequency synthesis, noise measurement and sensor devices.
2. **The I. I. Rabi Award** – Recognizes outstanding contributions related to the fields of atomic and molecular frequency standards, time scale realization, and time comparison and dissemination.
3. **The C. B. Sawyer Memorial Award** – Recognizes entrepreneurship or leadership in the frequency control community; or outstanding contributions in the development, production, or characterization of resonator materials or structures.