Johannes Walther Medal

Scope
The award will be given to scientist at any stage in their career who is considered to have made a significant impact in the field of Sedimentology. Although not a definite rule or policy, special consideration will be given to scientists in their mid-careers.

The Johannes Walther Medal will be given once every two years (at the occasion of the International Sedimentological Congress and at the International Meetings of Sedimentology two years later).

Award
The award consists of a medal and a certificate. Winners will be offered a lifetime full membership of IAS, which includes a subscription to online versions of the Journals of the Association (unless they wish to opt out). Winners will be honoured and invited to give a keynote talk at the IAS conference during which they receive the award. The IAS will cover all expenses incurred in attending the conference at which the award is made. Citations and replies will be published in the IAS Newsletter.

Award procedure
A call for nominations will be published in the IAS Newsletter, on the IAS webpage and announced by IAS Social Media. Regional correspondents will be encouraged to seek nominations from their sedimentological communities.

Nominations have to be sent to the General Secretary via the IAS Executive Officer (eo@sedimentologists.org) by the deadline set out in the call for nominations.

Eligible nominations will consist of the following elements:
1. A nomination letter by a senior Full Member of the IAS (with at least 20 years academic or industry employment), outlining the main scientific contributions by the nominee and why this person should be given this award. Maximum 2 pages.
2. At least one letter of support from an academic IAS Full Member to second the proposal. Maximum 1 page.
3. A full CV of the nominee
4. A list of the 10 most significant publications of the nominee, plus their complete bibliography (the complete bibliography may be sent as a separate attachment, or as a link to a webpage)

The nominations will be judged on the following criteria:
- Letters of support
- Publication record
- Significant contributions to and impact on their field
- Diversity of research
- Notable other achievements
- The recipient must be a member of the IAS at the time the award is made
The IAS Council, together with one of the Vice-Presidents, will evaluate the nominations and make a recommendation to the Bureau. The Bureau will then make a decision based on their own assessment and the Council’s recommendation.