

### Call for first LCA-award nominations for young researchers

SETAC has a number of awards that acknowledge the contributions that individuals or groups make to the environmental sciences, to the development of science through education, or to the Society.

Nominations are needed for the first SETAC Europe LCA award for young researchers, which will be sponsored by ecomed publishers. This award will be given each year as recognition for an achievement that goes far beyond the normal expectations (or duties) of the person – e.g. an extraordinary PhD thesis – that provides a significant contribution to LCA development and implementation.

In order to qualify, the researcher must have provided a demonstrable outstanding contribution to the field and should be younger than 35 years. It is possible to share an award, as achievements are frequently due to a team effort.

Please consider anyone you believe is deserving, not only from Europe, and nominate them for the 2006 award. The deadline to submit nominations is 19 March 2006.

#### Application Instructions:

Applications in support of a candidate or group other than themselves are welcomed from individuals and groups. Applications should be made in a letter outlining the eligibility of the nominee for the award. Curriculum vitae should be included plus a supporting letter explaining why they believe the candidate/group should be considered for the award. The CV and letter should be a maximum of 6 pages. Sufficient information should be provided to facilitate an objective evaluation of the nominee(s), hence evidence of the attributes of the nominee(s) and the conduct of activities embracing the elements of the award shown above must be provided.

Applications should be submitted electronically to the SETAC Office ([setac@setaceu.org](mailto:setac@setaceu.org)). Applications sent by mail or fax will not be accepted. It should be ensured that all emailed documentation is submitted together, either in a zipped file of separate Word or similar documents or in a single pdf file. The application packet must contain all of the requested materials to be considered for an award.

#### Selection Process:

Nominations will be evaluated independently by a sub-committee of the SETAC Europe LCA Steering Committee, and the full committee will then discuss the outcome to determine the recipient. The successful nominee will be made aware of the decision by 13 April 2006, after which, unsuccessful candidates will also be informed.

#### Award Procedure:

ecomед publishers sponsors a subscription of Int. J. LCA (printed + online edition) for the 'young researcher' LCA award (one year) and offers a short presentation of the award-winner in the journal (about one printed page). The award will be presented for the first time at the SETAC Europe 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in The Hague, the Netherlands, 7–11 May 2006 ([setac@setaceu.org](mailto:setac@setaceu.org)).

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