OSI Distinguished Fellow

Guidelines for Nomination

The Regulations:

Minimum Eligibility: (i) 10 years standing as Regular, Life Fellow or Senior Fellow Member of OSI and (ii) Outstanding contribution in the field of optics.

Selection Process: (i) A prospective DF should be nominated by two existing DFs. (ii) A duly formed Committee of DFs will examine and recommend the names of the candidates to the EC for its consideration. (iii) The total number of DFs at any given time will not exceed 20% of the total fellows (including all categories).

On selection as DF, the member must become a Life Member, if not already one.

Who can nominate?

Only OSI Distinguished Fellows (DF) can nominate a colleague for the Distinguished Fellowship. Each nomination requires two nominators.

Who can be nominated?

An OSI Regular, Life or Senior Fellow member of at least 10 year standing is eligible to be nominated. A selected DF must become a life member, if not so already.

Restrictions on the number of DFs to be selected

The number of DFs is limited to be not more than 20% of the total OSI Membership at any given time and the number selected each year is limited to approximately 1% of the total membership in the previous year. However, this annual intake condition will be relaxed in the first 3 years of the introduction of this category (but the total DF in these 3 years must not be beyond 6% of the total OSI membership).

Nominations can be submitted anytime. Initially for 2 years, the nominations will be considered twice a year, those ones received till December 31 and the ones received till June 30. Later, the nominations will be considered only once every year received till December 31.

Nomination Format

- 1. Nominee's name
- 2. Address
- 3. Contact Phone
- 4. Email address
- 5. OSI Member No.
- 6. A 50 word suggested citation
- 7. 500 word summary of contributions of the nominee highlighting the impact and relevance making the nominee suitable for the award of Distinguished Fellowship
- 8. Documents to included (in PDF format)
 - 1. Curriculum vitae/resume (max 2 pages)
 - 2. Patent/Journal Publication List
 - 3. Additional relevant documents (max 10 pages)
- 9. Names of 3 experts who can write reference letters for supporting the nomination of the nominee. All referees need not be Distinguished Fellow; however, at least one should be.
- 10. Nominations must submit as a single PDF file to the OSI.
- 11. Nominations should be signed by two nominators.