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To the Presidents of the Member Committees
To the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Commissions
To the Former Laureates of URSI Awards

Gent, 1 March 2004

Dear Colleague,

This letter is a call for nominations to the five URSI awards which will be presented at the Opening Ceremony of the URSI General Assembly in New Delhi, India, next year.

The "senior" awards are the van der Pol Gold Medal, the John Howard Dellinger Gold Medal, the Appleton Prize, and the Booker Gold Medal, and the "junior" award is the Koga Gold Medal.

The rules governing these Awards are included for your information (App. 1). Nominations are for either a senior or the junior award. Please indicate which senior award would be the most appropriate choice.

The applications will be evaluated by a group of experts familiar with the nominee's field of expertise. We invite you to suggest names of possible referees. A nomination form is included for your possible use, together with the list of former awardees (App. 2 and 3). Please feel free to make additional copies or to download extra forms from the URSI homepage.

To summarise, the concrete steps are as follows :

- (1) You can submit up to four names for the senior awards and one name for the junior award. For each nominee, indicate the most appropriate award, submitting only one name for each award. A senior award is for career achievements, but with evidence of significant achievements in the *six year period* ending one year before the General Assembly.
- (2) Consistent with the above, we encourage you to consider candidates unsuccessfully nominated for the awards in 2002.
- (3) Please submit all your nominations to the URSI Secretariat by *15 August 2004*, as requested. Any delay would endanger the tight time schedule which governs the selection process.

Sincerely yours,

Prof. P. Lagasse
Secretary General

cc. Prof. H. Matsumoto, Chairman of the Awards Panel