



## INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE OF DERMATOLOGICAL SOCIETIES

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To: ILDS Member and Affiliated Societies

Dear Friends and Colleagues

### **ILDS 2016 Certificate of Appreciation**

The International League of Dermatological Societies (ILDS), as part of its work in global dermatology, aims to recognise dermatologists and others in the field of dermatological care who have made an outstanding contribution to improving the outlook for people with skin diseases. The League has a specific ILDS Awards Committee that considers recommendations for individuals which might receive one of our Awards.

One of these Awards is the **ILDS Certificate of Appreciation**. These Certificates are awarded annually to a number of individuals and are presented to the awardees at various national and international meetings.

This letter is to ask for your Society's input into the process of making our awards. We are seeking from you a recommendation of candidates from your own Society whom you consider might be suitable for an ILDS Certificate of Appreciation.

We are aware that by asking all our Member Societies to make proposals it is likely that we shall receive a large number of nominations. The number of awards that we give is limited in order to maintain their value. They indicate that the person who receives such an award is a unique individual whose contribution has been recognised as outstanding and well beyond what one might expect of a person in the course of his/her normal working life. Thus, we must make it clear to you that, in seeking your input, it is unlikely that we shall be able to give awards to every person who is nominated. Nevertheless, we know that you have special knowledge of members of your Society who might be suitable for an award. We would be pleased if you could nominate a maximum of two persons, whom you think might be eligible.

To assist you in choosing your nominees for the Certificate of Appreciation, please note that your candidate(s) will be considered by the Committee based on the following criteria which should be illustrated in your candidate(s)' CV.

1. Long-term outstanding contribution to clinical, academic or social dermatology, at a national or international level, that is well beyond what would be expected of an individual in his/her normal working life.
2. Work has been of value, particularly in developing countries.
3. Individual has been undertaking his/her work in a selfless, a humanitarian and a not-for-profit manner.
4. Number of articles published in peer-reviewed journal(s).
5. Number of books published.
6. Teaching activity.
7. Membership of International Society(ies).
8. Honorary Membership of International Society(ies).
9. International-level mentorship.
10. International Leadership (Executive Member of International Society(ies)).
11. Organization of National or International Congress(es).
12. International Dermatology Programmes and Initiatives.

We value your opinion and assistance in this very special component of the work of the ILDS and are certain that, with your careful selection and nomination, we will be able to include those people most deserving of our awards.

**A Nomination Form is attached for completion. Please ensure it is completed in full and return this along with a short CV (maximum two pages) of the proposed candidate.**

We appreciate your time and consideration and look forward to receiving your proposed candidates for this Award by the latest date of **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2016.**

Candidate Nominations will be presented to the Board of the ILDS by the Awards Committee at the ILDS Board Meeting to be held in June 2016.

Please note that Members of the ILDS Board, past and present, are not eligible to be nominated for this Award. A list of past Awardees is also attached. Certificates may only be awarded once.

Nominations will only be considered by the Committee if Society Membership Fees are paid up to date at the closing date.

Yours sincerely



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