

The EAIR Distinguished Membership Award (DMA)

The DMA, bestowed sparingly, is a method of recognising individuals who have made a particularly significant and substantial contribution to the goals and constitution of the EAIR.

Criteria

A nominee for the DMA must have been an EAIR member for at least five years and not a member of, nor a candidate for, the EC during the year she/he is nominated.

In addition, the nominee must meet at least two of the following four general criteria categories:

1. Has been a member of an EAIR Executive or Programme Committee;
2. Has made a professional contribution to EAIR by presenting papers or organizing workshops at the EAIR Forum;
3. Has made a professional contribution to EAIR by editing TEAM or contributing to TEAM, the Journal of EAIR;
4. Has made a professional contribution to EAIR by contributing in some other specific and significant way that has advanced the professionalism of EAIR.

Application of Criteria

The criteria outlined above are largely quantitative in nature and are minimal requirements for consideration. A nominee meeting these criteria is not assured selection, as the DMA has a qualitative dimension as well. The award is intended to recognize individuals who have made noteworthy personal contributions to the Association. Therefore, at least two supportive nomination letters must outline the key areas in which the nominee has contributed to the Association.

Procedures for Selection

1. Nominations process close each year in April.
2. The primary nominator should ask at least two other EAIR members to provide supporting letters of recommendation to EC. It will be the responsibility of the member submitting the nomination to provide all pertinent professional data.
3. All nominations are screened by the Secretary of the EC.
4. An affirmative vote by two-thirds of the EC is required for approval of a DMA.

Nomination Submission

Attach supporting documentation and rationale (candidate's curriculum vitae and two supporting letters of recommendation) for each nominee.

Bylaws

Awarded Membership

Article 2

(Ref: Art 3 of the Constitution)

2.1 Distinguished Members are exempt from paying the annual membership fee.

2.2 Nomination of Distinguished Members

2.2.1 All members of EAIR can nominate persons for Distinguished Membership;

2.2.2 A nomination for Distinguished Membership shall be sent to the Executive Committee

furnished with sufficient information on the nominated candidate for the Executive Committee to judge eligibility;

2.2.3 The information furnished shall include three letters of personal reference, one of them being from the person making the nomination;

2.2.4 The Executive Committee shall make a decision using a two-third majority of votes.