Call for Nominations for the: FREDERICK H.BUTTEL INTERNATIONAL AWARD 2014 for Distinguished Scholarship in Environmental Sociology

Title

Frederick H. Buttel International Award for Distinguished Scholarship in Environmental Sociology: An award of the Research Committee Environment and Society (RC24) of the International Sociological Association (ISA), established March 17, 2005, and given once every four years.

Purpose

The international award is intended for outstanding contributions of scholars to the study of environment-society relations during the four years since the last call for nominations.

Recognition

Recipients of the Frederick H. Buttel International Award for Distinguished Scholarship in Environmental Sociology will receive a certificate or plaque that will be handed to the recipient, after reading the summary of the Award Committee report in public at an appropriate RC24 meeting at the ISA World Congress 2014.

Eligibility

Any sociologist or social scientist, whether or not being a member of the Research Committee and/or ISA, is eligible. Award Committee members are not eligible to receive the award, and will resign from the Committee when nominated

Nominations

Nominations can be made by any member of ISA and/or of RC24 (including Award Committee members), but has to be supported by at least two other members of RC24 and/or ISA.

Nominations must be sent by email to the Chair of the Award Committee, Dana R. Fisher

(drfisher@umd.edu), including the name of the nominee, a CV, the list of publications on which the nomination is based, and a cover letter that provides a rationale for the nomination. Copies of the publications can be attached or, in case they are not available electronically, photocopies can be posted to the Chair's address.

As the Award focuses on international contributions of scholars to the study of society-environment relations, questions of accessibility for the international community are important considerations. This means that nominees must have published in one or more of the major languages used by the international academic community (English, French and Spanish) or have had their work translated in any of those major languages (a reasonable expectation for an international Award). The Committee as well will consider complementing the evaluation with additional publications in another language (such as Dutch, Japanese or Portuguese). The Award Committee will take into account the possible disadvantage if nominees are not publishing in their mother language.

Timetable

Nominations will close by September 30, 2013. The Award Committee will report its selection by January 31, 2014. The winner will be announced publicly at the ISA World Congress in 2014, during one of the RC24 sessions or a special awards event.

Comparable Awards

To the knowledge of the RC24 Board no comparable international awards exist in the field of environmental sociology. Some national associations or sections of national associations, have awards for environmental social scientists or environmental sociologists. These are, however, typically restricted to scholars from that national community.

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