

REHVA AWARDS 2017 – Principles

1. REHVA AWARD POLICY

Seven types of awards are available:

- *REHVA Gold Medal*
- *REHVA Professional Award*
- *REHVA Young Scientist Award*
- *REHVA Fellowship*
- *REHVA Member Association Award*
- *REHVA Supporter Award*
- *REHVA Partner Association Award*

a. **REHVA GOLD MEDAL**

For outstanding achievements in science or technology, in teaching or practice, and for being a role model for younger generations, inspiring creativity within the fields of competence of REHVA (life-time work and achievements).

Only one gold medal can be granted per year.

The award recipient receives: **the REHVA Gold Medal and memorial plaque** during the REHVA gala dinner of the Annual Meeting. In case of absence of the awardee, the award will be officially announced at that time but can be given in another event after REHVA board decision.

b. **REHVA PROFESSIONAL AWARD**

For outstanding achievements in science, technology, design practice and education in one of the fields within the competence of REHVA activities (over an extended period of time).

For a distinguished member of a REHVA Member Association for promoting science, technology, design and education within the field of REHVA competency in her/his own country, or a distinguished colleague, outside REHVA members for his/her achievements in cooperation with REHVA.

Four categories are considered: sciences, design, technology and education.

A maximum of 8 professional awards can be granted each year and only two professional awards can be granted per year and per country.

The award recipient receives: **a memorial plaque** during the REHVA gala dinner of the Annual Meeting or during a national event (according to the agreement with the Member Association).

c. **REHVA YOUNG SCIENTIST AWARD**

For outstanding research work: thesis, dissertation, or various shorter publications of similar importance, if taken together of young researchers on subjects covered by the fields of REHVA competence. The candidate shall be, maximum 35 years at the end of the year of application to the award.

A maximum of 3 REHVA young scientist awards can be granted each year with a maximum of one per country.

The award recipient receives: **a memorial plaque and honorariums which is defined annually by the Awards Committee Members and approved by the treasurer. This award will be given during the REHVA gala dinner of the Annual Meeting.** In case of absence of the awardee, the award will be officially announced at that time but can be given in another event after REHVA board decision.

d. REHVA FELLOWSHIP

For significant contributions to REHVA, i.e. contributions to the board, to committees and to task forces.

The award recipient receives: **a memorial certificate, a pin and the right to state with her/his name “REHVA Fellow” and other privileges defined by the REHVA board** during the REHVA General Assembly or during a national event (according to the agreement with the Member Association). The fellows will be announced during the REHVA General Assembly.

e. REHVA MEMBER ASSOCIATION AWARD

For REHVA Member Associations celebrating their 25th, 50th, 75th, 100th and any further “plus 25” anniversary.

The award recipient receives: **a memorial plaque** during the REHVA Annual Meeting or during a national event (according to the agreement with the Member Association).

f. REHVA SUPPORTER AWARD

For REHVA Supporters celebrating a “milestone anniversary” under the condition REHVA is informed about this milestone.

The award recipient receives: **a memorial plaque**. A REHVA representative will hand over the plaque during their special event.

g. REHVA PARTNER ASSOCIATION AWARD

For REHVA partner organisation (not member or supporter) for excellent work, event organisation, cooperation, anniversary of MoU signature, etc.

The award recipient receives: **a memorial plaque**. A REHVA representative will hand over the plaque during their special event.

2. NOMINATION PROCEDURE FOR THE REHVA AWARDS

a. Deadline for Nomination

The nomination must reach the REHVA Office the 25th of November 2016 at the latest except for Member Association, Supporter and Partner Association awards, which can be nominated during the year in proper time before their national event.

b. Nominators

All Prizes:

Each nomination shall be submitted by a person (the nominator), who is member of any REHVA Member Association.

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– **For REHVA Gold Medal:**

The nomination shall be supported by at least one REHVA Board member.

– **For REHVA Fellowship Award:**

The nomination shall be supported by at least one REHVA Board member or REHVA committee chairperson.

– **For REHVA Member Association Award:**

Each nomination shall be submitted by the Member Association Secretary General or President

– **For REHVA Supporter Award:**

Each nomination shall be supported by at least one REHVA board member

– **For REHVA Partner Association Award:**

Each nomination shall be supported by at least one REHVA board member

c. Contents of the Nomination

Each nomination shall contain a package, delivered to the REHVA office in electronic or printed form with the following information:

For all Awards:

Nomination letter, containing

- Name of the proposed award
- Full name of awarded subject (person or organisation)
- Nominator's name and his/her Member Society; position in Member Society or REHVA (when applicable)
- Presentation of the candidate by the nominator, with an explanation of the candidate's achievements in accordance with the criteria given above for the prize (cf. 1.) with respect to REHVA activities

For REHVA Gold Medal, REHVA Young Scientist Award, REHVA Fellowship and REHVA Professional Award

A CV of the candidate, giving at least the following information (when applicable):

- Date of the birth (necessary for REHVA Young Scientist Award only)
- Education
- Present and former positions held
- Scientific, technical and professional society memberships and offices
- Academic and professional honours
- List of relevant publications, patents or industrial achievements within the fields of competence of REHVA

For REHVA Gold Medal

A supporting statement by a member of the REHVA Board

For REHVA Fellowship

A supporting statement by a member of the REHVA Board or REHVA committee chairperson

d. Restrictions for Nomination

Active officers of REHVA and members of the honours and awards committee are not eligible for awards.

3. SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR THE REHVA AWARDS

REHVA Office reviews the proposals and checks for completeness. If necessary, the nominator should be asked to provide missing information.

REHVA Awards Committee, nominated by the REHVA Board every year during the general assembly, reviews the nominations and proposes prize winners. Minimum number of REHVA Awards Committee members is three, including chair. Chair of the REHVA Awards committee is the REHVA president.

The Awards Committee makes its final proposal of Awardees to the REHVA Board.

The REHVA Board approves/disapproves the proposed prize winners with majority of the votes.