

Call for nominations for the 2011 and 2012 IUPAP Young Scientist Medals in the field of Astrophysics

The IUPAP Young Scientist Medals in the field of astrophysics are presented for two scientists every two years. This year – at the 26th Texas Symposium on Relativistic Astrophysics (December 16-20, 2012 in Sao Paolo, Brazil).

The nominated candidate must not have completed more than eight years of research after their doctorate by December 2011 (for the 2011 Medal) or by December 2012 (for the 2012 Medal). Interruptions for military service, family emergencies, etc (but not teaching) are allowed.

A prize of 1,000 EUR is awarded by IUPAP for each winner to participate at the Texas Symposium and give a presentation of achievements. One Medal cannot be shared between several candidates.

Nominations may be made by anyone with an interest in the field. Self-nominations are not permitted, but a candidate could ask a mentor or colleague to provide a nomination.

The nomination papers must include:

- A citation of approximately 50 words.
- *Curriculum vitae* of the candidate, which must not exceed *two* pages in length.
- List of 6 of the candidate's most significant publications, including citation information, not to exceed one page.
- Commentary on the publications, which makes the case for the award, not to exceed *two* pages.
- Two letters of support (up to a maximum of three pages), at least one of which must come from someone not at the nominee's institution and not a mentor or significant collaborator.

The documents must be collated into a single pdf file called *Surname_ysm.pdf*, where *Surname* is the candidate's name. The file must not exceed 2MB in size.

Nominations not conforming to these rules cannot be accepted.

The Medal winners will be selected by a committee composed of the members of the IUPAP Astrophysics Committee (C19).

Nominations should be sent on or before the **1st June 2012** to the C19 Secretary (Grazina Tautvaisiene) by e-mail to grazina.tautvaisiene@fai.vu.lt.