

RULES: IIR GUSTAV LORENTZEN MEDAL

The Gustav Lorentzen Prize was established in 1997 to honour the memory of Professor Gustav Lorentzen, Honorary President of the International Institute of Refrigeration, who died on August 7, 1995, at the age of 80. He held a pre-eminent position in the refrigeration world for almost half a century.

His family, several research and training organisations, and various companies, have made donations enabling the IIR to award this prestigious medal comprising a large monetary component at IIR International Congresses of Refrigeration.

The initial rules were set in 1996 in Aarhus, Denmark. This Prize was awarded for the first time at the 20th IIR International Congress of Refrigeration, in Sydney in 1999. New rules were established then approved in June 2001 by the Executive Committee, giving this award the new status of:

IIR GUSTAV LORENTZEN MEDAL

which will be given out at the 27th IIR International Congress of Refrigeration in Seoul (Republic of Korea) on August 21-27, 2027

I – GOALS

The prize is awarded to a person with outstanding and original achievements in academic or industrial research, innovation or development, in all fields of refrigeration, thus promoting creativity and renewal in the fields of expertise of the IIR.

II – AWARDING OF THE MEDAL

The winner of the IIR Gustav Lorentzen Medal will receive:

- *a medal*
- *a certificate*
- *8,000 euros (travel expenses, accommodation costs and registration fees may be deducted from the prize fund)*

The medal is awarded on the occasion of IIR International Congresses of Refrigeration and will only be awarded if the prize-winner attends the Congress; they will be proposed as a speaker or as a chairperson of one of the technical sessions of the Congress, and will be cited in the different IIR communications.

The Medal will be handed out by the President of the General Conference during a session of the Congress. The prize-winner will be able to give a short speech (max. 10 minutes).

III – NOMINATION

Applications are not limited to persons from IIR Member Countries; active officers of the IIR (head office staff) are not eligible.

The nomination shall be supported by a sponsor who is member of an IIR Commission. The sponsor shall look for further support from one other Commission member. All people involved in IIR activities (IIR delegates and members, organizers of IIR conferences, Editors of the International Journal of Refrigeration, national refrigeration organisation officers, etc.) are encouraged to make proposals.

The sponsor may also be supported by the Head of a Section or President of an IIR Commission, or by a Member Country Delegate (if one of the sponsors does not hold one of these functions).

Each nomination package must include:

- *the completed nomination form*
- *the candidate's curriculum vitae (résumé) (see details in the nomination form), including a good quality photo ID, preferably in colour*
- *presentation of the candidate by the sponsor, with an assessment of the candidate's career in science and/or practice, with a detailed explanation of the candidate's achievements referring to the criteria given above for the prize (See Section I)*
- *the statement of the designated person as indicated above*

Each nomination package must reach the IIR by November 15, 2026 (9pm Paris time). Send a PDF version of the package by email to communication@iifiir.org.

IV – SELECTION OF THE WINNER

The Science and Technology Council of the IIR shall determine which commissions are relevant for evaluating the nominations. The final decision will be taken by the members of the Science and Technology Council appointed to the Management Committee, together with the President of the Science and Technology Council and shall be

announced to the winner in the early part of the year of the congress, so that they can arrange to attend the Congress. Only one winner will be selected per award.

27th IIR INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF REFRIGERATION

Seoul, Republic of Korea | August 21-27, 2027

IIR GUSTAV LORENTZEN MEDAL NOMINATION FORM

(to be completed by the sponsor who supports the nomination)

I – BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE NOMINEE

1. Last name: **First name:**

Date of birth: **Place of birth:**

Nationality:

2. Current position (exact title):

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Name of the institution or company:
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Address:
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Tel.: **email:**

3. A detailed CV (with a good quality photo ID, preferably in colour) with the following information:

A – University education

B – Present and former positions held

C – Scientific, technical and professional society memberships and offices

D – Academic and professional honours

E – List of relevant publications, patents and industrial achievements in the fields of
expertise of the IIR

II – ASSESSMENT OF THE CANDIDATE'S CAREER IN SCIENCE AND/OR PRACTICE

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III – DETAILED EXPLANATION OF THE CANDIDATE'S ACHIEVEMENTS REFERRING TO THE PRIZE CRITERIA

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IV – STATEMENT BY THE HEAD OF SECTION OR PRESIDENT OF A COMMISSION OF THE IIR, OR BY THE MEMBER COUNTRY DELEGATE SUPPORTING THE NOMINATION (IF ONE OF THE SPONSORS DOES NOT HOLD ONE OF THESE IIR FUNCTIONS).

Enclose this statement with the nomination form.

V – SPONSORS (TWO MAXIMUM)

Name:..... Member of commission:.....

Address:
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Tel.: email:

Additional Commission Member supporting the sponsor:

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Date:

Sponsor's signature:

The complete nomination package, comprising all the requested documents,
must be received by the IIR head office

by November 15, 2026 (9pm Paris time)

**Send a PDF version of the package (including this form in the same format) by
email to communication@iifiir.org.**