

ASME
Pipeline Systems Division
Global Pipeline Award

1. Introduction

The Pipeline Systems Division (PSD) of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers International (ASME) has established the GLOBAL PIPELINE AWARD to recognize outstanding innovations and technological advances by various organizations in the field of pipeline transportation.

The Award recognizes the pipeline technology innovation process in all phases; from the research laboratory through field applications; from technology incubators to development of markets for new products; from government agencies to private companies; and from individual projects to the consolidation of research and development results.

The PSD intends that the Award:

- Promotes progress and international cooperation in the field of Pipeline Systems engineering
- Supports achievements in pipeline engineering education
- Encourages the timely exchange of information among researchers and engineers
- Promotes technical activities, including conferences, in the field of Pipeline Technology
- Promotes safety and the public welfare
- Promotes global environment preservation
- Promotes public recognition of the pipeline industry

The PSD will solicit candidates, and will present one Global Pipeline Award per year to the organization, that in the opinion of the judging committee has been responsible for the most outstanding achievement in the field of Pipeline Transportation for that year.

The award will be presented at ASME's biennial International Pipeline Conference, or IBP's biennial Rio Pipeline Conference.

2. Participation

- The Award is open to any organization in any country, which has developed a concept, product, or process in the field of pipeline transportation.
- Each organization is limited to one entry per year.

- Submittals must be for projects that have been completed within the past five years. The results of research projects must have been made publicly available, with data that supports the conclusions.

3. Submission of Entries, and Deadlines

- The Entry Form must include a clear description of the problem to be resolved, with stated objectives to be achieved and quantifiable results that were obtained. It must also include the name and contact information of the organization submitting the proposal, and the name, title, phone and fax numbers, postal and e-mail addresses of the individual to contact concerning the entry. Entry Forms must be signed and dated by a duly authorized representative of the entering organization.
- The PSD will actively solicit entries for the Award competition. Proposals must be submitted electronically following the instructions on the Entry Form.
- Proposals must include all information requested on the Entry Form, and all supporting data including video, pictures, CDs, news articles, technical papers and news releases. Entry Forms and all supporting data submitted become the property of the PSD, who may subsequently use it in publicity releases, news letters, conference flyers or other such activities (Entry Forms will include a statement to this effect).
- All participants will be notified of the receipt of their entries, and may be requested to submit additional information in support of their entry.
- Entries may be submitted anytime up to September 1st of each year for the competition of same year.

4. Evaluation Criteria

All entries will be judged on:

- Relevance of the innovation or development to the pipeline transportation industry
- Effectiveness in resolving the stated problem, and in achieving the stated objectives
- Contribution to efficiency, reliability, operability, versatility and integrity of pipeline transportation systems
- Impact on public safety and welfare
- Impact on the environment

5. Judging and Selection

The PSD's Honors and Awards Chair will select a judging panel consisting of no fewer than 5 and no more than 20 qualified experts in the field of pipeline transportation engineering. The Chair will collect copies of all entries from the candidates and distribute them, along with instructions and score sheets, to the individual judges. Each judge will be requested to rank the entries based on the Evaluation Criteria, and to return their score sheet, along with any relevant written comments to the Honors and Awards Chair no later than 3 weeks prior to the start of the conference. The Honors and Awards Chair will compile the judges' score sheets and determine the first 5 positions (finalists). The number of finalists may vary from year to year.

The Chair will notify the 5 candidates and request the names and contact information of their representatives who will be attending the conference. The Chair will meet with the judges prior to the Awards Presentation to review the finalists' entries, and to reach a consensus ranking.

6. Award Presentation

The Honors and Award Chair will request the author of each finalist to prepare a 90 second video to be shown at the Conference Awards Luncheon or ASME PSD Awards Dinner. In the case of video presentation the Honors and Awards Chair will verify acceptable formats with the conference audio-visual coordinator.

At the Awards Presentation, the Honors and Awards Chair will introduce the award video compilation of all finalists. At the conclusion of videos the winner will be announced and invited to the stage for a short acceptance speech. At the conclusion of the presentation, the Honors and Awards Chair will present the awards to each representative. The awards will consist of a certificate for the runners up and a suitable trophy for the winner.

Awards presentation may vary depending on format of conference and any time constraints.