**IEEE Life Member Individual Service Award of the year**

1. **Description**
2. The **IEEE Region Life Member Service Award**, is presented annually to a Life Member

for significant contributions and service in advancing IEEE Regional initiatives, through excellence in sustained leadership after achieving the Life Member status, and during the period of 1 January to 31 December of the preceding year.

1. A **global** award, the **IEEE Life Member Distinguished Service Award**,

 will be given to the outstanding Life Member among the current regional awardees.

1. **Schedule**
* Nomination deadline : 15 April
* Committee approval : May
* Recipient notified : June
1. **Awards**
2. **Global Award:** Plaque of Recognition. Expenses may be paid to the awardee for

Travelling to an appropriate event to receive the award.

1. **Region Award:** Plaque of Recognition. The award will be presented during a

Region / Section level event.

1. **Scope**

One award per IEEE region and one global award among region winners will be granted annually. However, awards need not be granted in a given year if no suitable nominations have been submitted.

1. **Eligibility**
* All active Life Members in a LMAG that is in good standing are eligible to receive any Life Member Service award. (\*)
* No Life Member is eligible to receive more than one Region Service Award within a two-year period.
* No Life Member is eligible to receive the Global Distinguished Service Award more than once every three years.
1. **Basis for Judging**

a) **Regional Awards**

A Life Members Affinity Group Region Awards Committee, a joint committee of

Region and LMC Members, will consider the excellence and the extraordinary

Contributions of the LM in that region. The criteria of selection of the

award

shall be based on the accomplishments in the following categories:

**1. LMAG Outreach, Engagement, and Community Involvement**

* Corporate engagement
	+ Pre-university STEM or CTE commitment
	+ University outreach
	+ Community participation
	+ Involvement with other IEEE organizational units and groups, e.g., Young Professionals, WIE, Student members, Student Branches, Sections and Chapters
	+ Relationships with other professional and technical societies
1. **Life Member Engagement**
	* Life Member Affinity Group Vitality as evidenced by one or a combination of the following:
* Performance at LMAG meetings and group activities – attendance and participation
* Affinity Group growth
* Innovative programs for members
* Volunteer activities
* Growth of member involvement
* Financial growth of the LMAG
	+ Collaboration with other Life Member entities and facilitate interaction among other Life Member Affinity Groups
	+ Documentation and promotion of LMAG activities, programs, and ideas that can be repeatable and deployed by other LMAGs
1. **Advancing the image of IEEE and the Life Members by**

 **Communicating LMAG ideals, programs and IEEE initiatives**

 **through various channels including, but not limited to**:

* Web site
* Newsletters
* Social media
* Blogs
* Public broadcast and print media channels
1. **Providing general support of IEEE initiatives including**:
* Innovation, breadth, and type of activities
* Contributions to the IEEE Life Member Fund
* Conference involvement

b) **Global Distinguished Service Award**

The same above mentioned criteria will be used to select the Life Member

Distinguished Service Award among the Region winners.

1. **Selection committees**

The **region** recipient will be recommended and selected by an **LMAG**

**Region Award Committee**, a joint Committee with the Life Members

Committee, chaired by the LM Region Coordinator, with three additional

Members appointed by the LM Region Coordinator and with one member

being from the Life Members Committee (LMC).

The **global** LM Distinguished Service Award recipient, selected among the

Region winners, will be recommended by the **Awards Committee of the**

**Life Members Committee**, and approved by the **IEEE LMC.**

**VII. Presentation**

 The awards would be presented annually to the winners and announced at

 an event designated by the LM Region Coordinator for the region Service

 Award, and by the Life Member Committee for the global Distinguished

 Service Award. Presentation of the award will take place at, but not limited

 to, events including IEEE Region or Area meetings or even local IEEE

 Section events, such as an annual section dinner or awards ceremony. The

 specific venue and timing of the presentation will be finalized between the

 LM Regional Coordinator or the Life Member Committee and the award

 Recipients.

\* LMAGs that are in good standing generally demonstrate the following:

* At least 3 of the Officer positions are filled and functional
* Holding a minimum of 2 meetings but work to achieve at least 6 meetings (that include at least 3 technical meetings)
* Holding or sponsoring at least one event involving students
* Having a current individual web site or be current with information on their Section’s web pages
* Being active in their local community with various functions and events