INTRODUCTION

The International Commission of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering (CIGR) during the World Congresses and Conferences several and prizes seeking the recognition of exceptional and meritorious achievement of its affiliated professionals and officers. The Awards and Prizes are as follows:

1. Awards
   a. CIGR Merit Award
   b. Honor
   c. Fellow
   d. Recognition
   e. National/Regional Award

2. Prizes
   a. Armand BLANC Prize
   b. CIGR Journal Prize

3. Industrial and other Awards and Prizes

DESCRIPTION OF THE CIGR AWARDS AND PRIZES

A. AWARDS
1. CIGR Award of Merit
   *Purpose of the Award*
   To recognize individuals who made remarkable contributions that resulted in outcomes that support the CIGR mission.

   *Recipient selection criteria*
   The award is given to persons who have contributed in various positions and/or roles towards CIGR’s success. Candidates are nominated by the Technical Section Boards and the Presidium.

2. CIGR Honor Award
   *Purpose of the Award*
   To recognize CIGR past officers who made remarkable contributions during their mandate.

   The following titles may be granted:
   - Honorary President
   - Honorary Vice President
Honorary Member

Recipient selection criteria
The award is given to persons who made extraordinary contributions to the worldwide activity of CIGR. Candidates are presented by the CIGR Presidium.

3. CIGR Fellow

Purpose of the Award
The honorary title CIGR Fellow is awarded to individuals that have throughout their career sustained contributions to the mission of CIGR.

Recipient selection criteria
A candidate must have been active for at least ten years and played a key role for CIGR, and candidates are presented by the Technical Section Boards. CIGR Fellows when elected become members of IAABE. Details of the selection criteria and process can be found in IAABE’s bylaws.

4. CIGR Recognition (President’s Citation)

Purpose of the Award
Awarded to persons recognizing their outstanding contribution to the success of CIGR over years.

It can be granted as a Certificate of:
1. Contribution
2. Achievement
3. Presentation
4. Participation (especially for students) or other specific certificate.

Recipient selection criteria
The recipient can be a person or organization and must have made major contributions such as, but not limited to, the organization of CIGR World Congresses or International Conferences. Candidates are presented by the Congress or Conference organizers.

5. CIGR National/Regional Awards

Purpose of the Award
Awarded to persons that made exceptional contributions at the national/regional association decides and proposes this to the CIGR-APC.

Recipient selection criteria
The national/regional association awardee is proposed by the regional or national association.
B. PRIZES

1. CIGR Armand Blanc Prize
   
The Prize is established by Professor Armand Blanc, head of the “Institut National Agronomique”, Paris, President of CIGR 1950-62, consisting of a certificate and cash.

   **Purpose:**
   To increase motivation among young professionals’ contributions to research and development in agricultural and biosystems engineering.

   **Presentation:**
   This award is to be presented at a CIGR World Congress or Conference.

   **Recipient selection criteria.**
   Awarded to a young author, under 30 years of age or less at the deadline for submission of the application form.

   Candidates wishing to compete for the award must apply by the deadline established by the CIGR-APC and provide proof of age.

   The candidate must be the first author and present the work at a CIGR Congress of Conference.

   Finalists are selected by the Congress/Conference organizing committee in consultation with the CIGR-APC or its Chairperson.

   Final award will be based on the quality, originality, and ability of the author to communicate the findings of the research.

2. CIGR Journal Prize

   **Purpose of the Prize**
   The CIGR Journal Prize is given to authors who have published excellent papers in the Agricultural Engineering International: The CIGR Journal of Scientific Research and Development.

   **Recipient selection criteria**
   The candidates are selected by the CIGR Journal editor in cooperation with the seven CIGR Section editors in consultation with the CIGR-APC or its Chairperson.

C. INDUSTRIAL AND OTHER AWARDS AND PRIZES

Prizes sponsored by industry companies for people who have made extraordinary achievements for the development of agricultural engineering related technologies through CIGR activities.

1. UNACOMA Prize. The prize is sponsored by the Italian Farm Machinery Manufacturing Association (Unione Construttori Macchine Agricole)
2. KAMICO Prize, sponsored by the Korean Agricultural Machine Industry Cooperative
3. Other

The candidates are selected by the Industry Institution/company in cooperation with the appropriate Section Board or Section Chair in consultation with the CIGR-APC or its Chairperson.