



International Federation of Language Teacher Associations
Fédération Internationale des Professeurs de Langues Vivantes

INTERNATIONAL AWARD

of the

Fédération Internationale des Professeurs de Langues Vivantes

(FIPLV International Award)

The FIPLV may confer the FIPLV International Award in recognition of services to language teaching and learning in accordance with the criteria below. The FIPLV International Award is available to one individual member nominated by each unilingual or multilingual FIPLV member association or federation, which has paid its membership fee to FIPLV in the year of nomination.

A Criteria

- 1 This Award is made in recognition of exceptional and outstanding contributions to language teaching and learning over an extended period.
- 2 An exceptional and outstanding contribution is to be regarded as one that has significantly influenced: the pattern and/or quality of language teaching and learning in some beneficial way; the implementation and/or retention of language policy or linguistic rights; or the retention or revitalisation of endangered languages.
- 3 The recipient will be or will have been actively involved in the work of the nominating association or federation.

B Nomination and Approval Procedures

- 1 Each FIPLV member association will appoint an Award Nominating Committee, for example consisting of its President and two members of its Committee/Board, one of whom will be named as convener. This may be in line with normal procedures of specific FIPLV member associations, where processes are in place to formally recognise excellence.
- 2 Strict confidentiality may be observed throughout the nominating procedure with the name of the nominee, the deliberations of the relevant committees, and the details of the nomination being divulged on a need-to-know basis only to persons immediately involved in making and considering the nomination. If a nominee is normally a member of one of the committees charged with considering the nominations, that person should not be included in the meeting. Any breach of the process may, at the discretion of the nominating member association or the ad hoc International Awards sub-committee appointed by FIPLV Executive Committee, disqualify the nomination.
- 3 Nominations must be made by the President and seconded by another member of the Committee/Board of the FIPLV member association. They must be signed by the President of the nominating association or, in the event of the President being nominated, by the relevant Vice-President.

- 4 The nomination must contain the following information:
- the full name, postal and email addresses of the nominee
 - the reasons that justify an award being made
 - an outline of the nominee's career with particular reference to personal contributions as specified in the criteria (no more than 2 pages)
 - a proposed citation for publication on the FIPLV website containing no more than 300 words
 - a quality photo in jpg. format or equivalent
- 5 The nomination form will also include confirmation that the nominating association has paid its fees for the year of the nomination.
- 6 The nomination must be submitted to the FIPLV Secretary-General electronically. The FIPLV Secretary-General will send a copy to each member of the FIPLV Executive and the ad hoc International Awards sub-committee appointed by FIPLV Executive Committee for that purpose. A check will be made to ensure that the nominating association has paid its membership fees for the year of the award.
- 7 The ad hoc International Awards sub-committee will assess the nomination against the criteria laid down in these rules and either approve or reject the award according to normal FIPLV voting procedures. The FIPLV Secretary-General will notify the FIPLV member association accordingly.
- 8 The FIPLV member association will notify the awardee, offer the citation for approval, and consult the awardee on the presentation arrangements. If changes are requested to the citation by the awardee, they must be approved by the FIPLV member association. Thereafter the FIPLV President will prepare the citation and certificate.
- 9 Presentation of an award is irrevocable.

C Presentation

- 1 When an award is approved by the ad hoc International Awards sub-committee appointed by FIPLV Executive Committee for that purpose, it must be presented in person to the awardee, to a person nominated by the awardee to act as proxy, or to a close family member of an awardee or other person as approved by the FIPLV member association where the award is made posthumously. Should such circumstances arise, it is also possible for the entire ceremony or its part to be held online. Wherever possible, a member of the FIPLV Executive Committee or the ad hoc International Awards sub-committee will present the Award, in person or virtually. If this is not possible, the President of the FIPLV member association will be contacted to identify an appropriate person to confer the Award.
- 2 An award will generally be presented at a special public session of the next available event of FIPLV or the FIPLV member association after approval by the FIPLV ad hoc International Awards sub-committee. The FIPLV President, a member of the FIPLV Executive Committee or the person delegated to present the Award will read the citation prior to presenting the Award. The press and media should be invited to be present.