



Call for the Award of the Italian Tribology Association 2025

Each year, the Italian Tribology Association presents this prestigious award to a single individual, with the formal presentation taking place at one of AIT's upcoming events.

To be considered for this honor, candidates must submit a nomination package that includes three letters of support.

The complete nomination package should be sent electronically via email to both the President of AIT, Prof. Giuseppe Carbone (giuseppe.carbone@poliba.it), and the Secretary, Prof. Adolfo Senatore (a.senatore@unisa.it).

The submission deadline is February 28th, 2025. Upon receipt, nominators will receive a confirmation email as proof of submission.

Please note: incomplete or late applications will not be eligible for consideration.

Award Details

The AIT Award includes an official medal worth of approximately € 1,500. The award is usually conferred each two years and presented during one of the AIT events.

Recipients are invited to deliver an honorary plenary lecture at the event and will receive complimentary registration and hotel accommodation for the event. Furthermore, they will have the opportunity to publish a summary of their lecture, along with their photograph and award citation, on the AIT website.

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Eligibility

Nominees must have made significant and sustained contributions to tribology, whether in scientific research, technological development, or industrial applications.

The AIT President and Steering board are ineligible to be nominated, submit nominations, or write support letters.

Nomination Procedure

Candidates can be nominated by peers (excluding those mentioned under the Eligibility section) who are qualified to validate the nominees' significant achievements. Each nominator may submit only one nomination and is responsible for arranging three letters of support as part of the package.

The AIT Steering board will evaluate all eligible submissions to select the award recipient.

Nomination Package

1. Nomination Letter:

The letter should chronologically detail the nominee's key achievements, emphasizing their importance in advancing tribology through groundbreaking discoveries or industrial applications. The letter must clearly highlight the nominee's impact, supported by examples such as high-impact publications, patents, innovations, or honors. If applicable, the nominator may include an appendix with additional materials that elaborate on the nominee's most significant contributions. In cases of collaborative work, the nominee's specific role should be clarified. The nomination letter should be concise (maximum two pages), well-structured, and end with a one-sentence citation summarizing the nominee's primary achievement.

2. Support Letters:

The package must include three support letters arranged by the nominator. One letter can be from the nominee's country or institution, while the other two must come from international peers with recognized expertise. These letters, limited to one page each, should underscore the nominee's achievements.

3. Curriculum Vitae:

The nominee's CV or resume (maximum five pages) should list key publications, patents, industrial contributions, and significant presentations.

Judging Criteria

Nominees should have demonstrated a notable impact on tribology through significant achievements, such as high-impact publications or industrial innovations (e.g., novel processes, patents, or economic/environmental contributions).

Leadership qualities, including teaching, mentoring, or promoting tribology through professional service, will also be considered.