



Guidelines for ‘The Viance Innovation Award’

Guidelines for the “Viance Innovation Award” for the most innovative scientific paper presented at an IRG Annual Meeting, sponsored by Viance LLC, USA.

Background

The Viance Innovation award will be made to a student participant at an IRG Annual meeting for the most innovative poster or oral presentation. The award will be offered annually for the period 2019-2024. The award will be in an amount up to, but not exceeding, US\$1000 and will include an engraved metal plaque detailing the title of the presentation and the student name.

Eligibility

To be eligible to receive the award the student needs to show at the time of the Annual Meeting or during the previous year that she/he was actively enrolled in an educational institution (University, Polytechnic Institute, or College), internationally or nationally recognized, in an undergraduate or graduate program. The award does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, marital status, national or country of origin, age, disability, or any other international protected status.

Evaluation

The winner of the award will be chosen from eligible student participants who make an oral or poster presentation at an IRG Annual Meeting. Judging and evaluation of presentations will be solely at the discretion of the IRG Scientific Programme Committee in consultation with Viance, LLC. Presentations will be judged on their contribution to wood protection science using four recognized innovation criteria - “concept”, “value”, “delivery” and “impact”.

Award Ceremony

The plaque for the award will be given every year at the beginning of the last plenary session of the IRG Annual Meeting and presented to the winner by an IRG member designated by the Scientific Programme Committee. The check, in US \$, will be sent by Viance, LLC to the recipient by mail, approx. 4-6 weeks after the award ceremony.