

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS – ECOHEALTH AWARDS

for presentation at the 6th Official Biennial Conference of the
International Association for Ecology & Health
4-7 December 2016, Melbourne, Australia

The International Association for Ecology & Health (IAEH) is a professional organization that promotes research, education and practice (including policy development) on the linkage between health of all species and ecosystem sustainability and resilience. The IAEH aims to:

- Integrate diverse knowledge of ecology, health, and sustainability—whether scientific, medical, local or traditional. In doing so, we seek to encourage development of interdisciplinary teaching, research and problem solving across many fields of scholarship and recognize the legitimacy of multiple types of knowledge.
- Highlight research and practice that applies ecosystem and ecological principles to address health and sustainability challenges within diverse settings, ranging from public health practice and human and veterinary medicine, to conservation and ecosystem management, or rural and urban development and planning
- Provide a unique forum for transdisciplinary research, integration, and interaction across a diverse audience interested in health and sustainability including researchers, policy makers, educators, non-government organizations, as well as governmental and international agencies, including non-academic and indigenous knowledge as complementary parts to academic research.

The Association is pleased to announce two awards to be nominated and selected for announcement at the 6th biennial conference of the Association in Melbourne, Australia, 4-7 December 2016:

1. **Outstanding Contribution to the field of EcoHealth**
2. **Exceptional Early Career Contribution to the field of EcoHealth** (nominee must be within 10 years of completion her/his PhD).

Criteria for the two awards are as follows:

The **Outstanding Contribution to the Field of EcoHealth** award honors the contributions of an advanced researcher who has developed an outstanding body of EcoHealth work or has made sustained contributions of extraordinary merit to the field of EcoHealth. Nominees must be a member of the International Association for Ecology and Health. The awardee will have exemplified the objectives of the Association through any or all of the following: key publications in scientific journals or other scholarly media outlets, dissemination of knowledge in multiple forums (e.g. science-based advocacy, practical application of scientific knowledge, and/or educational initiatives), peer recognition by invitations to speak or contribute to special sessions, sustained influence on others to achieve and advance the field of EcoHealth, and recognized leadership in the field of EcoHealth.

The **Exceptional Early Career Contribution to the Field of EcoHealth** award recognizes a promising researcher who has demonstrated the potential to advance the field of EcoHealth. Nominees for this award should be within 10 years of completing their Ph.D and be a member of the International Association for Ecology and Health. The award recipient will have shown evidence of professional excellence as represented by a combination of any or all of the following: key publications in scientific journals or other scholarly media outlets, peer recognition by invitations to speak or contribute to special sessions, excellence in communication of scientific knowledge to the media, public, or other stakeholders, involvement in education in the field of EcoHealth, stated academic career goals and/or participation in groups or organizations designed to further the mission and/or objectives of the Association.

Nomination packages consist of:

- a) a brief cover letter from the person(s) making the nomination, confirmation that the nominee is aware they have been nominated;
- b) a one page description of the nominee(s), describing which award they have been nominated for, the basis for their nomination and how they fulfill the criteria outlined above;
- c) a full curriculum vitae of the nominee with complete contact details;
- d) at least two additional supporting letters that detail their contribution to the field. Note these supporting letters should not come from the same institution as the nominee or the person(s) making the nomination.

Award winners will be notified in advance of the presentations of the awards at the 2016 conference in Melbourne and will be expected to be members of the Association at the time of receiving the award.

Members of the Board of the IAEH are not eligible for Nomination.

The nomination deadline for the award is **April 10th, 2016** and nomination package should be sent to secretariat@ecohealth.net. For any questions please contact the IAEH Secretariat (secretariat@ecohealth.net.)