

# EPBRS Awards ?

Honoring the year's best  
communication-actions, articles, books  
or websites in  
the biodiversity *science-policy interface*

# Introduction

- The general idea is that a yearly EPBRS- AWARD system for the best books, articles, actions, websites and other products on the science-policy interface for Biodiversity could help support the EPBRS goals by attracting attention for the science-policy needs for Biodiversity.
- There are a lot of award systems in place, for example the CBD has an award system The Swedish website [www.artportalen.se](http://www.artportalen.se) got such an award from the CBD.
- Now and then someone could get a "Lifetime-award".
- It gives the actual EU-presidency a chance for highlighting their national top products, etc.
- Preparing a nomination would engage a lot of persons in a positive way.
- EPBRS would be seen as a most sophisticated and very scientific organisation at once!. It would not have to cost anything but a medal or something like that. People would be very pleased to be asked for a jury.



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## Ramsar Award

for actions that have significantly contributed to long-term conservation and sustainable use of wetlands

# Application-form for the 2005 Ramsar Wetland Conservation Award

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Nominations should not exceed 5 A4 pages. Longer nominations will not be considered.

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# Procedures

- The EPBRS plenary asks the Steering Committee to appoint a working committee, the Award Committee, which carries out the preliminary work.
- The European scientific and policy community are invited to submit proposals for candidates.
- The Award Committee processes the proposals and selects a short list (say 3) before presenting them to the Steering Committee.
- The SC makes a decision.
- The Prize is awarded in the first plenary meeting of the EPBRS each year.

# A new committee !

- 1 scientist
- 1 policy-maker
- the vice-chair of the Steering Cie.

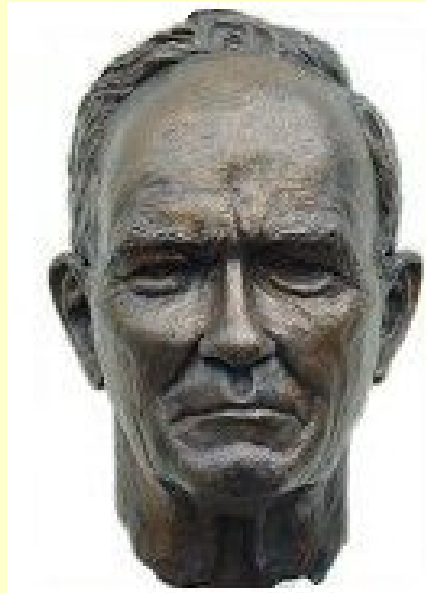
**The Awards:**

**how will they look like?**





[2dehands.be](http://2dehands.be)











# Planta Europa nomination procedure:

Planta Europa members are invited to make nominations for the Jean-Paul Galland Award and Planta Europa Silver Leaf Awards by 15<sup>th</sup> April 2007. A short recommendation (not more than one A4 side) should be sent to the Planta Europa Secretariat at [plantaeuropa@plantlife.org.uk](mailto:plantaeuropa@plantlife.org.uk).

Persons nominated should not be in the employment of the Planta Europa Secretariat or highly involved in the work of the Planta Europa Steering Committee. The Planta Europa Steering Committee will make the final decision on award winners. The award ceremony will take place at the Planta Europa Conference.

# Ramsar Wetland Conservation Award Criteria and Procedures:

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## Selection criteria

One Ramsar Award shall be awarded for each of the following:

- a) The "**Ramsar Management Award**" supported by Danone Evian, rewarding Actions - including legislation, strategies, plans, programmes, projects, investments, and campaigns - that have significantly contributed, or have a clear potential to contribute, to the long-term conservation and sustainable use of wetlands, especially as means of alleviating poverty (COP 9 theme);
- b) The "**Ramsar Science Award**" supported by Danone Evian, rewarding Contributions to the advancement of wetland science;
- c) The "**Ramsar Education Award**" supported by Danone Evian, rewarding the best initiatives for communication, education and public awareness on a Wetland of International Importance.

## **Eligibility**

Institutions and citizens of all nations are invited to nominate individuals or institutions - governmental and non-governmental, including community groups - or private sector enterprises, of any nation.

## **Nominations procedure**

Nominations should be submitted to the Ramsar Convention Secretariat in English, French or Spanish, using the Ramsar Award form available from the Ramsar Secretariat in Gland, Switzerland, or on the Ramsar Web site, accompanied by the necessary supporting documentation.

The deadline for this round of the Ramsar Award was fixed at ..... This date shall be final.

## **Selection Procedure**

The Ramsar Secretariat shall process the nominations received and submit them for the consideration of the Ramsar Standing Committee. The Standing Committee shall select the laureates. Its decision shall be final.

## **Announcement and Presentation of the Award**

The announcement of the laureates on each occasion shall be made through a press release as soon as all of them have confirmed their acceptance of the award.

The Ramsar Award will be presented at the opening ceremony of the Ramsar Conference of the Contracting Parties and every effort will be made to ensure the presence of all laureates.