

# Maria Petrou Prize

The Maria Petrou Prize is to be awarded biennially at ICPR to a living female scientist/engineer who has made substantial contributions to the field of Pattern Recognition (or a closely related field), and whose past contributions, current research activity and future potential may be regarded as a model to both aspiring and established researchers. This Prize honors the memory of Professor Maria Petrou as a scientist and engineer of the first rank, and particularly in her role as a pioneer for women researchers and highly successful role model. She is widely recognized for her extensive contributions to the field of image processing and pattern recognition. She also made significant contributions to the growth of IAPR, covering significant leadership roles. The Prize consists of a suitably inscribed plaque and a cash amount.

The prize recipient shall be selected by the Maria Petrou Prize Committee, subject to approval by the IAPR Governing Board, upon nomination by a member of a national member society of IAPR and by the endorsement of two more members, at least one of which must be a woman.

Members of the IAPR Executive Committee, as well as of the Maria Petrou Prize Committee, shall be ineligible for the prize and may not serve as nominators or endorsers.

The 2016 prize will be presented at the 23rd International Conference on Pattern Recognition (ICPR) Cancun, Mexico December 4-8, 2016

The prize recipient is expected to present an invited talk at the conference and to provide a contribution to the special issue of Pattern Recognition Letters, which will include extended versions of all papers that received an IAPR award at the 2016 ICPR.

The nomination must be made on special nomination and the endorsement forms, and must be received no later than April 30 2016. Both completed nomination and endorsement forms must be submitted in electronic form. The nominator as well as endorsers should email their completed forms directly to the Appointed Chairman of the Maria Petrou Prize Committee:

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Maria Petrou Prize Nomination Forms: Will be available from the end of February at: [http://iapr.org/fellowsandawards/awards\\_petrou.php](http://iapr.org/fellowsandawards/awards_petrou.php)

For any questions, contact: Edwin Hancock / [erh@cs.york.ac.uk](mailto:erh@cs.york.ac.uk)