

PIANC YP Award Terms of Reference

PIANC World Congress 2018 Panama

- PIANC YP Award is an award designated for Young Professionals (YPs) presenting at the PIANC World Congress.
- To be eligible, a participant must:
 - Be giving a full presentation at the Congress
 - Be sole or lead (where there are multiple) author of paper; working group reports are not eligible
 - Not have reached the age of forty-one (41) by 31st of December of the previous year of the Congress
 - Be registered for the Congress at least two (2) months prior to the start of the Congress
 - Fill out YP Award information on Abstract submission form
 - Accept invitation to present at the Congress
- All submissions must adhere to the following:
 - Be written in English or French
 - Be approved by the Congress Technical Committee for inclusion in the Congress proceedings
- The award consists of money prizes of €1,000, €500, and €250 for the top three scores, to be delivered to winners at the Congress Closing Ceremony.
- Candidates for this award are also eligible for the De Paepe-Willems (DPW) award, provided they meet the conditions, but may not be awarded both contests, thus the winner of the DPW will be automatically removed from this competition. Additionally, previous winners of the DPW or YP Award are not eligible for this award. The winners of this competition are not eligible for future DPW competitions for the same papers. Other participants in this competition may submit the Congress paper for future De Paepe-Willems Award competitions. Winners of other YP Awards presented at the Congress will be removed from this competition.
- Both, the presentation and the paper will be evaluated by the YP Award Committee (comprised of members of YPCom). Presentation and paper will be equally weighted. Evaluations of papers will occur following finalization and acceptance of papers by Technical Committee. Short-list will be generated from Paper evaluation. Presentations of the short-listed papers only will be evaluated during the Congress. Bio forms will be collected from the Congress Technical Committee.
- Papers and presentations will be evaluated based on the following criteria:
 - Criterion 1. Value and interest of the paper/presentation to professional peers
 - Criterion 2. Significance of the paper's/presentation's contribution to current practice
 - Criterion 3. The originality of the material
 - Criterion 4. Whether the material contains conclusions which follow logically from the text
 - Criterion 5. Whether the presentation/writing style is clear, logical, concise and easy to follow