



## Royal Aeronautical Society Human Factors Group

# The Helen Muir Award

The Helen Muir Award is awarded specifically to Human Factors (HF) practitioners by the Human Factors Group (HFG) of the Royal Aeronautical Society. Recipients are nominated by HFG conference delegates and members-at-large. The aim is to identify and recognize dedication, skill and valuable contributions to the industry by HF trainers, developers, scientists and managers who motivate, inspire and enable.

### Why an award?

- HF training, training development, research and administration require highly developed skills and judgement. When it works well the result is unparalleled training realism and operational learning.
- HF works because of individual people in a wide variety of disciplines and fields whose efforts are often unrecognized
- The Helen Muir Award is a peer recognition award by those actively involved in Human Factors, based on an informed appreciation of excellence in research, design, management, regulation and teaching.

### How are recipients selected?

- One nomination per member or delegate
- Voted for/nominated by industry, HFG members, and HFG conference delegates
- The HFG Committee does not nominate individually or collectively but does make the final choice from a shortlist of nominees

### Who should be nominated?

- Training Captains or simulator instructors
- Course designers
- Managers who champion HF awareness throughout their organisational culture
- Researchers and scientists who develop better HF understanding, tools, techniques or designs
- Anyone involved in the practice of HF who contributes above and beyond the norm

### What are the key elements or criteria?

- For people routinely engaged in HF activities
- For bringing credit to HF practitioners by demonstrating standards of excellence/dedication with practical effect
- Based on merit rather than rank, position or prominence

### What is the award itself?

- Recognition by the HFG Committee
- Free registration for a year's HFG conferences
- Selection of aviation HF textbooks courtesy of leading industry publisher Ashgate
- Presented annually at an HFG conference or main RAeS conference

## Nomination Procedure

Fill in the nomination form (below) and email it to [excellence@raes-hfg.com](mailto:excellence@raes-hfg.com) or post it to 'HF Excellence, c/o Loftwork Ltd, 29 Balcombe Road, Horley, Surrey RH6 7JR'

Nominations must be received by November 1<sup>st</sup> each year to be considered for an award in that year  
Nominees must have been actively contributing to the industry in the current calendar year

