

Report of the IAVS Award Committee over the year 2019

Joop Schaminée, chair

At the annual IAVS meeting in Bozeman (United States), Ladislav Mucina became an IAVS Honorary Member, for all the workshe has performed for our organisation for so many years. This year, at the meeting in Bremen, for the fifth time, the Alexander Von Humboldt Award will be awarded to an outstanding scientist in the field of vegetation research. After awarding Professor Philip Grime in 2011, David Tilman in 2013, Sandra Lavoural in 2015 and F. Stuart Chapin III in 2017, Pierre Legendre will receive this award. At the meeting in Bremen, the prize winner will be honoured by a *laudatio speech*, given by Peter Minchin. Legendre will receive – in line with former prize winners – an original watercolour painting, especially made for this occasion by the Dutch artist Ed Hazebroek, depicting *the landscape of the Canadian Saint Lawrence river with salmons and a brown bear catching them*. The members of the Governing Board are invited to nominate candidates for the next honorary member, before 31-12-2019.



At the meeting in Bozeman, also the *young scientist competitions* took place, for *best poster* and *best oral presentation*. The winners were announced at the General Assembly and their names will be mentioned on our website www.iavs.org (see under Awards).