The Assembly of Pharmacists of the International Pharmaceutical Federation convened in Helsinki in September, 1986, established the "André Bédat Award" as a tribute to the services rendered to international pharmacy by Mr Bédat, who was President of the Federation from 1978 to 1986.

**Purpose of the Award**
The purpose of the award is to recognise an exceptional pharmacist, who has made significant contributions to pharmacy at an international level.

The award will be granted every three years at an annual FIP Congress.

**Focus and Impact**
Applicants should
- be an exceptional pharmacist practitioner who has made significant and outstanding contributions to the diverse field of pharmaceutical practice globally
- be a leader in the field of pharmaceutical practice
- have made significant impact on health and/or pharmaceutical policy and/or practice internationally.

**Specific Eligibility Criteria**
- A registered pharmacist, either in country of residence, or in country of qualification.
- An active practitioner in their field (can also include someone who may have retired in the past 1-2 years)
- FIP membership is not a requirement for André Bédat award nominees
- A person who is currently serving as an FIP Officer or an employee of FIP/Staff member is not eligible for nomination during his/her term of office
- Work conducted as an employee of FIP/Staff member may not be included as part of the application.
Nomination of Candidates

A call for nominations, accompanied by a list of past recipients of the award, will be sent via the FIP communication network to the members of the Bureau, the members of the Board of Pharmaceutical Sciences (BPS), the members of the Board of Pharmaceutical Practice (BPP), the members of FIPed ExCo, FIP Member Organisations, Predominantly Scientific Member Organisations (PSMO), Academic Institutional members (AIM) and Regional Forum ExCos. This award is given every three years.

The same nominator(s) may nominate more than one individual. A minimum of one nominator per nominee is required. There is no advantage in having more than one nominator nominating a nominee.

Nominations should be submitted by 1 March of the year in which the award is given and must contain the following information:

a) Curriculum Vitae of the proposed nominee (in English, detailing, where applicable, education, research and professional experience, honours/awards, publications, and invited presentations, and service to professional organizations, incl. FIP).

b) A concise statement summarizing the reasons why and how the nominee meets the selection criteria for this award (in English, not exceeding two A4/letter pages). A broad international view should be taken in proposing nominees.

c) Two reference letters in support of the application.

d) Name, address, e-mail and telephone number of the nominee.

e) Name, address, e-mail and telephone number of the individual/group making the nomination.

f) A recent, high quality colour photograph of the nominee (i.e., passport type).

Nominations should be submitted in writing, preferably by e-mail, to the attention of:

FIP Professional Secretary
FIP Head office
Andries Bickerweg 5
2517 JP The Hague
The Netherlands
BPP@fip.org

All nominations will be acknowledged and are kept confidential.
Selection Committee
Selection of eligible candidates and award of the André Bédat award shall be conducted by a Selection Committee composed of the Chair of BPP or Professional Secretary; and four external expert members nominated via BPP.

Selection of the Awardee
The Selection Committee will review received nominations at its first meeting after the submission deadline.

Nominees will be evaluated based on the evidence provided on their
- exceptional contributions to pharmaceutical practice,
- leadership in pharmaceutical practice, and
- significant impact on health and/or pharmaceutical policy and/or practice globally

The Selection Committee will submit a recommendation to the BPP for approval and the Bureau will be requested to ratify the decision.

Thereafter, the awardee and nominator will be notified by the Professional Secretary of his/her successful nomination. All deliberations will be held in private and the reasons for an award being declined will not be disclosed. Any attempt to canvas members of the Selection Committee, BPP or Bureau Members will disqualify the nomination. The Bureau’s decision on all matters is final.

Irrespective of the final outcome, the names of all nominees will be kept strictly confidential within the members of the Selection Committee and the BPP. The name of the selected winner will not be divulged prior to the announcement by the FIP Head Office on behalf of the BPP.

Provision of award / Recognition Event
The recipient will be recognised during the Opening Ceremony of the Annual FIP Congress, and the FIP President or his/her designate will present the award. The recipient will be asked to give a 2-3 mins response.
Furthermore, the recipient of this award agrees to present a lecture at the annual FIP Congress that year.

The award consists of a commemorative gift (engraved trophy), a certificate of recognition, travel to the Congress based on economy airfare, complimentary Congress registration, hotel accommodation (up to 2 nights), a ticket to the Congress closing dinner and 12 months free membership.
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