

Uichi Inouye Memorial Awards

Prof. Uichi Inouye was born in 1918, and graduated from the University of Tokyo. He joined Taisei Corporation in 1946 and worked for building services design. He started to teach at Waseda University in 1953 and retired in 1989. He devoted his energies to the research, education and design of building services area even after his retirement from the university. He was a leading expert in this field, who had a great influence on building services design in Japan. We therefore regard him as a pioneer of modern building services design.



While he passed away in 2009, we launched a foundation to follow in his footsteps. Since 2010, “Uichi Inouye Award” and “Asia International Award” have been given engineers and researchers who make significant contributions to the development, design, research and education associated with the field of air conditioning, heating and environmental engineering.

Prof. Uichi Inouye,

Representative Writing Work

Building Services Pocket Book, 1952, 1964, 1983, 2001

Air Conditioning Handbook, 1956, 1967, 1982, 1996, 2008

Refrigeration and Air Conditioning History, 1993

Representative Award

Order of the Secret Treasure, 3rd Class, 1992

Hermann Rietschel Medal, 1992, Germany

Grand Award of Architects' Institute of Japan, 1991

Research Paper Award of Society of Heating, Air Conditioning Sanitary Engineers, 1970, 1971, 1942, 1978, 1983

Project Award of Society of Heating, Air Conditioning Sanitary Engineers, 1966, 1976

Representative Design Project

HVAC Design of Yoyogi Arena (National Indoor Stadium) for Tokyo Olympic Games, 1964

HVAC Design of Tokyo Marine Fire Insurance Headquarter, 1975

Festival Square, Japan World Exposition, Osaka 1970

The following statement is an extract from the regulations on commendation of the Society of Heating, Air-conditioning and Sanitary Engineers of Japan (SHASE).

(Uichi Inouye Memorial Awards)

Article 10

The awards honor individuals who have made milestone contributions to the development, design, construction, research and education in the field of air conditioning, heating and environmental engineering. The awards are designed to develop human resources for the future growth of this field. In addition, engineers and researchers who play an active role in Asia are also honored for their contributions to further development of this field in Asia. The awards shall be called "Uichi Inouye Memorial Awards".

Uichi Inouye Memorial Awards consist of "Uichi Inouye Award" (hereinafter called "Inouye Award") and "Asia International Award".

Inouye Award shall be made for the following achievements:

Activities mentioned in the journal of the Society and collection of papers, which should be associated with the technical development, planning, design, construction, maintenance and research in the field of heating, air-conditioning and environmental engineering.

Articles, published reports, papers and technical reports run in the journal of the Society and the collection of papers Presented papers at scientific lectures held by the Society and research papers presented in a chapter of the Society Books published or edited by the Society

Education and social contribution associated with the field of air conditioning, heating and environmental engineering

Other achievements equivalent to those mentioned above

Asia International Award shall be made for the following achievements:

Notable achievements associated with the field of air conditioning, heating and environmental engineering

Other achievements equivalent to those mentioned above

Only a few recipients shall carefully be selected. In principle, the numbers of annual recipients are as follows:

Inouye Award: 2 persons or less

Asia International Award: at most 1 person

If no one deserves to be honored, these awards may not be given anyone.

Eligible recipients and a limitation on recipients for the second time

Inouye Award: In accordance with Clause 4), it is to be given individual members of the Society, who have achieved great results. In addition, the recipients are to be expected to play an active role in this field.

Asia International Award: In accordance with Clause 5), it is to be given an Asian individual engineer or researcher, who has contributed to the development of this field.

Those who have ever been given one of the awards shall not receive any of them for the second time.