NOTICE

Confidential Awards Committee: 'Best Paper' Prize(s) for 1993

Paithful readers of *Environmental Conservation* will no doubt recall that, in an Editorial Notice published in 1985 (on page 292 of Volume 12, Nr 4), it was announced that the Foundation for Environmental Conservation hoped to establish a yearly 'Best Paper' Prize of not less than 1,000 Swiss francs [the then approximate equivalent of US \$500 but considerably more now] for the best paper or other contribution published either in the preceding year's volume of this its Journal or as a Chapter or Section of a book in its Conference Proceedings or other sponsored publications. The confidential Foundation Awards Committee was asked to bear in mind the following as guidelines in making their selections: (a) most significant advance, (b) greatest potential influence for environmental good, and (c) quality of presentation.

For 1993 the wealth of papers of quality in Volume 19 of the Journal, on nearly all aspects of environmental conservation, made the Committee's task, though again pleasurable, exceedingly difficult.

With the agreement of the Foundation, and through its generosity in again adding most substantially to the announced minimum overall value of the prize, it has been decided that, bearing in mind the above guidelines (a)—(c), the 1993 prize should be shared equally between: Dr R. Paul Shaw for his paper entitled 'Warfare, National Sovereignty, and the Environment' (*Environmental Conservation*, 20(2), pp. 113–21, with a figure); Drs Robert J.A. Goodland, Anastacio Juras, and Rajendra Pachauri for their paper entitled 'Can Hydro-reservoirs in Tropical Moist Forests be Environmentally Sustainable?' (*Environmental Conservation*, 20(2), pp. 122–30, with 4 tables); Dr Stephen C. Lonergan for his paper entitled 'Impoverishment, Population, and Environmental Degradation: The Case for Equity' (*Environmental Conservation*, 20(4), pp. 328–34, with 3 figures); and Professor Reid A. Bryson for his paper entitled 'Simulating Past and Forecasting Future Climates' (*Environmental Conservation*, 20(4), pp. 339–46, with 6 figures).

The Committee is again heartened to record its unanimous opinion that the Journal publishes papers of an exceptionally high standard and accomplishes its stated objectives with admirable success. Indeed, with its 5 regular sections in addition to its main one of 'full' papers, *Environmental Conservation* seems to us clearly the leading Journal in its wide and vital alliance of fields.

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