

Mattei Dogan Foundation Prize to be Awarded at the Tunis IGU Congress

The first Mattei Dogan Foundation Prize in Human Geography will be conferred at the 11-15 August 2008 International Geographical Congress in Tunis, Tunisia. The recipient will be an internationally accomplished and renowned geographer who will receive the Prize in recognition of exceptional scholarly achievements in international human geography over an extended period of time or over his or her lifetime. The Prize will consist of a citation and a financial award of \$4,000. The recipient will be expected to present a major lecture at the Tunis Congress on the subject for which he or she is being recognized.

Nominations for the Prize are due at the IGU Secretariat no later than *31 August 2007*. Nominations must include: a) the nominee's complete curriculum vitae; b) a written statement of no more than 1,000 words documenting the nominee's qualifications for the Prize; and c) a minimum of *three*, and no more than *five* letters of recommendation solicited by the nominators from experts in the nominee's specialties who are capable of judging the nominee's qualifications for the Prize.

Those eligible to nominate candidates for the Prize are: a) chairpersons of IGU Commissions, Task Forces, and Special Committees; b) chairpersons of National Committees for the IGU from IGU member countries in good standing; or c) any three IGU Corresponding Members in good standing. Self-nominations will not be considered. Officers of the IGU are not eligible for nomination during, and for four years following the expiration of their terms of office.

The qualifications of nominees will be evaluated by an independent Prize Committee appointed by the IGU Executive Committee. Nominees will be evaluated solely on the basis of the nominees' sustained contributions to the advancement of theory, methods, and applications of human geography over an extended period of time.

The Mattei Dogan Foundation Prize in Human Geography was established in 2005 with the generous support of the Mattei Dogan Foundation. It will be awarded for the first time at the 2008 Tunis Congress, and thereafter at four-year intervals in conjunction with IGU International Geographical Congresses.

Questions regarding the award or nomination procedures should be addressed to IGU Secretary General and Treasurer, Professor Woo-ik Yu, at yuik@snu.ac.kr.