

IASS TSUBOI AWARDS 2005

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By Naren K. Srivastava, Chair, Tsuboi Awards Committee

To honor the great achievements of Professor Yoshikatsu Tsuboi, a distinguished member and former president of IASS, the Tsuboi awards were established in 1991 with the help of a donation by his wife, the late Mrs. Kazubo Tsuboi. Since 1991, two awards have been presented each year at the closing ceremony of the IASS annual symposium, one for *the most valuable and stimulating paper presented at the IASS annual symposium of the preceding year* and the other for *the best paper in the Journal of the IASS during the previous year*.

For the *first category*, the scientific committee of the IASS 2005 Bucharest Symposium made an initial selection of 10 best papers on the basis of the presentations and publication of the proceedings of the Symposium. These nominations were then forwarded to the Tsuboi Award Selection committee. After a few rounds of evaluations and consultations, the committee agreed to present the award in this category to:

Y. Ookouchi, T. Takeuchi, T. Uchiyama, K. Suzuki, T. Sugiyama, T. Ogawa and S. Kato for “**Experimental Studies of Tower Structures with Hysteretic Dampers**” *Proceedings of IASS Symposium 2005*. Both Mr. Ookouchi, an engineer,

and Dr. Sugiyama, a Director are with the Chubu Electric Power Company of Nagoya; Professors Takeuchi and Ogawa are both from the Tokyo Institute of Technology; Mr. Uchiyama is an engineer with Kume Sekkei Co. Ltd of Tokyo; Mr. Suzuki is an engineer with the Nippon Steel Corporation of Tokyo and Prof Shiro Kato is from the Toyohashi University of Technology, Japan.

For the *second category*, the committee examined all the *Journal of the IASS* papers of 2005. The award in this category was given to:

O. Soykasap, A. M. Watt and Sergio Pellegrino for “**New Concept for Ultra-Thin Deployable Structures**”, Vol. 46, No.1, April 05. Mr. Soykasap is a graduate student; Dr. Watt and Dr. Pellegrino are professors, and all are at the University of Cambridge in United Kingdom.

This year, the Tsuboi Awards Selection Committee consisted of: Kazuo Ishii (Japan), Ihsan Mungan (Turkey), Avelino Samartin (Spain), and N. K. Srivastava (Canada). *Ex officio* members included: M. Kawaguchi (IASS president), J. Abel (*Journal* editor-in-chief), M. Saitoh (past committee chair), and Yoshiaki Tsuboi (honorary member).



Presentation of the Tsuboi Award 05 for the best Proceeding paper (left to right): IASS President M. Kawaguchi; Profs. Kato, Ogawa, Takeuchi, and Mr. Ookouchi; and Tsuboi Award Chair N.K. Srivastava



Prof. S. Pellegrino receiving the Tsuboi Award 05 for the best Journal paper from IASS President M. Kawaguchi at Beijing in Oct 06