



Kyoto Landslide
COMMITMENT 2020



International Consortium on Landslides

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To ICL members,

Call for Nomination of the 2026 Varnes Medal and the 2026 Oldrich Hungr Award and the triennial Hiroshi Fukuoka IPL Award to be awarded in WLF7, Faridabad, India

The 7th World Landslide Forum is organized on 23-27 November 2026 at the Faridabad Campus of Amrita University, India.

ICL good-standing full members are requested to send the nomination letter for the above two awards by 30 July 2026 to the email address in the end of this invitation letter.

Varnes Medal

The Varnes Medal is the highest award provided by the International Consortium on Landslides; it recognizes professional excellence in landslide research. The recognition consists of a pure silver Medal and a Certificate. Nominated candidates for the Varnes Medal must meet at least two of the following criteria:

- Professional excellence in landslide research
- Professional excellence in landslide disaster risk reduction
- Significant contribution to the development of ICL and IPL
- Significant contribution to public education regarding landslide hazards
- International recognition for a professional career involving landslides
- Influential landslide research or development of methods or techniques
- Teacher of students who work on landslide issues

20 pages free BPC is awarded as a supplementary award. The recipient needs to contribute one article within a year to the ICL book series Progress in Landslide Research and Technology (P-LRT).

Oldrich Hungr Award

This award is named in honor of late Professor Oldrich Hungr, a landslide specialist, and Emeritus Professor of Engineering Geology at the University of British Columbia, Canada, who passed away in 2017. It is given every year to a young scientist (35 years or younger for his/her contribution to the field of landslide studies).

- The winning candidate receives a certificate and an honorarium of \$500 as well as free registration to attend the next WLF.
- 20 pages free BPC is awarded as a supplementary award. The recipient needs to contribute one article within a year to the ICL book series Progress in Landslide Research and Technology (P-LRT).

Hiroshi Fukuoka IPL AWARD

This award is named in honor of late Professor Hiroshi Fukuoka, a Japanese landslide expert with global exposure to landslide risk, valuable experience in technical cooperation with developing countries, and a founding member and supporter of both the International Consortium on Landslides (ICL) and the International Programme on Landslides (IPL). Professor Fukuoka's unfortunate death in June of 2018 took place during one of his many field missions related to landslide risk reduction efforts in Bhutan. The award is given every three years coinciding with the World Landslide Forum (WLF) to an individual or group of individuals whose work deals with landslide risk reduction in a developing country or countries.

- Award consists of a \$1500 USD travel grant to use specifically towards participation in the 7th World Landslide Forum.
- Requires the winner to give a lecture at the 7th WLF that highlights his/her landslide research contributions;
- 10 pages free BPC is awarded as a supplementary award. He/she needs to contribute one article within a year to the ICL book series Progress in Landslide Research and Technology (P-LRT).

Nomination letters are requested to be sent by ICL good-standing full members to the following address.

Subject: 2026 Varnes Medal, 2026 Oldrich Hungr Award or Hiroshi Fukuoka IPL Award

To ICL-KLC Secretariat< klc2020@landslides.org>

Deadline: 30 July 2026