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**Najoua Mlika-Cabanne Award – Nomination Criteria**

**Background**

The Najoua Mlika-Cabanne Innovation Award was established in memory of Najoua Mlika-Cabanne, formerly Deputy Head of the Guidelines Department at the Haute Autorité de Santé (HAS, French National Authority for Health), Trustee of the Guidelines International Network between 2003 and 2010, and GIN Honorary Patron, who died in 2011. During her career Najoua made a significant contribution to the science of clinical guideline development and consistently fostered international collaboration and friendship.

This GIN award acknowledges an individual’s contribution to innovation in the methodology, development, and /or implementation of clinical practice guidelines. The emphasis of the award will be on an early career individual – someone who has quickly demonstrated a significant impact within the profession.

**Nomination Process**

* Nominations can only be made by organisational GIN members
* Self-nomination is not permitted
* An Award Committee comprising of guideline experts is selected by the Board of Trustees
* The Committee consists of up to 7 members including a Chair, a Board liaison, and a geographically diverse representation of GIN guideline experts
* The final decision will be made by the Board of Trustees

**Eligibility & Criteria**

* The individual must evidence extraordinary efforts in innovation in the methodology, development, and/or implementation of clinical practice guidelines
* All individuals should be able to demonstrate an extraordinary/outstanding contribution to the guideline community
* An emphasis placed on selecting an “early career” individual, who has likely worked in the guideline arena for 5 – 10 years
* Current members of the Board, GIN staff or Award Committee are not eligible
* Nominees must be GIN members
* Shortlisted nominees will be re-considered for up to two years

**Nomination Content**

* A statement of no more than 500 words, giving reasons for the nomination and stating why the nominee deserves the award
* Name, position, affiliation and contact details of the nominee
* The nominee’s CV or link to the CV, and a list of relevant publications
* Name, position, affiliation and contact details of the person(s) sending the nomination