



February 25, 2024

To: Members of the Senior Academic Staff

From: The Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dear Faculty Members,

RE: **2023–2024 Technion Academic Excellence Prizes**

I am pleased to invite you to propose excellent faculty members as candidates for the 2023–2024 Technion- Israel Institute of Technology Academic Excellence Prizes. The prizes recognize outstanding achievements in research, teaching, and overall contribution to the Technion.

This year, the following prizes will be awarded:

1. **Morton and Beverley Rechler Prize for Excellence in Research**: four prizes of \$30,000 each (\$25,000 as a research grant and \$5,000 personal prize).
2. **Norman Seiden Faculty Prize for Academic Excellence**: one \$30,000 prize (\$25,000 as a research grant and \$5,000 personal prize).
3. **The Diane Sherman Prize for Medical Innovation for a Better World**: one \$18,000 prize (\$13,000 as a research grant and \$5,000 personal prize) or two \$9,000 prizes (\$4,000 as a research grant and \$5,000 personal prize each).
4. **The Cooper Award for Excellence in Research**: two CAD 5,000 personal prizes, of which taxes will be deducted by law. The monetary prize will be translated to USD according to the rate change.

**Submission Instructions**

As per the recently updated [Technion Academic Excellence Prizes Procedure](#) (Hebrew), each faculty member is entitled to propose suitable candidates, with self-nominations not permitted. Proposals should include:

1. A justification letter
2. Complete CV and list of publications of the candidate
3. Two supporting letters

The proposing faculty member should prepare the nomination file as instructed and submit it to the relevant faculty dean. Deans will then deliver all nominations jointly to the EVPAA, following a consultation with the preparatory committee. The submission of the candidates' files will be accompanied by a report of the consultation and an internal ranking of the nominees. The list of proposed candidates in the rank of lecturer – Associate Professor may be submitted separately.



### Selection Process

The winners will be selected by the Technion Academic Excellence Prizes Judging Committee. The committee will determine which winner will receive each prize. Considerations may include previous wins in Technion Awards, among others.

### Notification of Outcome and Prize Conferral

Winners will receive notification of the outcome via email prior to the annual meeting of the Board of Governors, scheduled for June 2–5, 2024. Deans will also be informed of unsuccessful nominations. The prizes will be formally conferred during an official ceremony at the BOG meeting (subject to changes).

Faculty deans are kindly requested to send their nominees' files, along with the necessary attachments, in one email to the Office for Academic Staff ([michalmeyer@technion.ac.il](mailto:michalmeyer@technion.ac.il)). Please consolidate all documents into a single PDF file with bookmarks for each candidate. Submissions should be sent **no later than Sunday, April 7, 2024**.

Sincerely yours,

Professor Naama Brenner  
Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs

cc: Prof. U. Sivan, Technion President  
Members of the Technion's Management