



Rules of the NEPS MEDAL
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The Steering Committee of NEPS has decided to establish an annual award for the best publication in Peace Science published by members of NEPS. It is named "**NEPS MEDAL for the best publication in Peace Science**". Rules governing the NEPS medal are enlisted below:

- 1) Applicant authors are entitled to submit one publication for the NEPS medal by April 30 every year.
- 2) Eligible authors for the NEPS medal must be NEPS members at the time of application.
- 3) Applicant authors must present only one publication to be evaluated by other members. Publications can be 1) articles; 2) books. The publication must have been published between January and December of the previous year.
- 4) The NEPS Medal is awarded by means of a poll among all members of NEPS. Once the candidate publications are disclosed, each NEPS member can rank the five best publications proposed according to a decreasing point scale (10 points to the best, 6 to the second; 5 to the third; 4 to the fourth; 3 to the fifth).
- 5) The final ranking will be the sum of the overall points by publication.
- 6) The poll has to be completed by the end of May 31 every year.
- 7) The NEPS medal will be complemented by a monetary amount of 250 Euros. In the case of multiple authors NEPS would transfer the monetary prize to the applicant author. In the case of *ex aequo*, the monetary prize will be split between applicant authors of rewarded publications.
- 8) Submissions have to be sent to the email address: medal@europeanpeacescientists.org by April 31.
- 9) The publication rewarded with the NEPS medal will be announced at the Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, annual meeting of NEPS. The author of the winning publication must attend the Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference to accept publicly the prize.
- 10) An abstract and a link to the publication will eventually be provided on NEPS website. This has to follow the guidelines provided by the copyright holder of the rewarded publication.