1. Eligibility Requirements:
   The applicant must be engaged with electronic communication engineering in general including information engineering and electrical engineering
   (1) is a Graduate Student (Master’s course or Doctoral course), or
   (2) graduated or finished doctoral course within 2 years.

2. Candidate paper:
   ※ One can apply only once with the same paper.
   (1) Publication period: between September 1, 2021 and August 31, 2023
   (2) Author: Either single author of the applicant or the most of the content is a contribution of the applicant in case the paper is co-written.
   (3) Only one paper which was published in the recognized academic journals such as the following societies is acceptable.
      * in case of electronic journals; Upon application, you have to submit a copy of acceptance notice from Society and the like.

3. Recommendation: It is necessary to submit an officially stamped or signed recommendation letter from dean or department head of a graduate school or a person in an equivalent position.

4. Judgment: Submitted documents will be judged by the Judging Committee (Chaired by the President of Tokyo Denki University, Tadahiko IBAMOTO).

5. Criteria for Selection
   (1) Paper will be judged from viewpoints of originality, independence and engineering usability. In regard to engineering usability as this award is for young researchers, future potential will also be considered.
   (2) In selection, applicant’s other performances, papers and presentation achievements at academic meetings in the past are also considered.
   (3) Cohesion as a paper is important.
   (4) Prof. Yasujiro Niwa had a great respect on practical science. Paper which is suitable for Yasujiro Niwa Outstanding Paper Award will be selected from this practical scientific point.

6. Decision of Awardees
   (1) Awardees will be decided by the end of this year and the result will be notified by mail to the awardees and recommenders.
   (2) Number of awardees: 1 or 2 in principle
   (3) The Yasujiro Niwa Outstanding Paper Award and supplementary award will be given to awardees.

7. Submission method and deadline
   (1) All documents including the candidate paper are to be in PDF and e-mailed to kenkyu-k@jim.dendai.ac.jp as an attachment. Application forms can be downloaded from https://www.dendai.ac.jp/about/tdu/activities/research/niwa.html
   (2) Deadline for recommendation letter is September 5, 2023.

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