Announcing the Competition for the 2013 & 2014 Aftab Mufti Medal for Best Paper in the Journal of Civil Structural Health Monitoring

ISHMII is pleased to announce that the Aftab Mufti Best Paper Medals for 2013 and 2014 will be awarded in July 2015 for the best papers published in the *Journal of Civil Structural Health Monitoring*, volumes 3 and 4. Two Medals will be awarded, one for each volume.

The medals will be presented to all of the authors and co-authors of the papers during the ISHMII conference (ISHMII-7), which will be held in Turin, Italy from July 1 - 3, 2015.

In addition to the medals, authors and co-authors receive a complimentary one-year membership in ISHMII.

The Aftab Mufti Award and Medal honors the service, dedication and life-time achievements of Dr. Aftab Mufti, a founder of the International Society for Structural Health Monitoring of Intelligent Infrastructure (ISHMII). It recognizes individual and intellectual service to the field.

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1. Professional Merit (40%)
   - Creativity, originality and rigor as reflected in the new information included, new interpretations of known facts, innovations, methods and applications.

2. Contribution (40%)
   - Scientific and/or technical significance of the topic or problem investigated
   - Usefulness of the paper to practicing professionals including applicability, timeliness, scope and problem-solving value
   - Relevance of the topic or problem to the interests of civil
3. Presentation Quality (20%)

- Readability, effective organization and presentation of concepts, facts and arguments.
- Use of clear, concise, comprehensible and jargon-free language.

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