

## 2018 C&C Prize Ceremony

The 2018 C&C Prize Ceremony was held at ANA InterContinental Hotel Tokyo on November 28, 2018. The ceremony started with the welcoming speech by Mr. Kaoru Yano, the president of The NEC C&C Foundation, followed by the recognition of 2018 prize recipients by Dr. Tomonori Aoyama, the chairman of the awards committee. The 2018 C&C Prizes were presented to Prof. Hidetoshi Nishimori, and Prof. Ching W. Tang.

Group A: Prof. Hidetoshi Nishimori;

For contributions to quantum annealing and to research into random spin systems which underlie the fundamental mechanism enabling the development of quantum annealing machines

Group B: Prof. Ching W. Tang;

For discovery and pioneering development of thin-film organic light-emitting devices leading to

the progress of organic electronics industry

As shown in the program leaflet, after the congratulatory speeches and the recipients' acceptance speeches, the ceremony continued to the cocktail party for exchange of greetings, and ended with the dinner to celebrate the 2018 prize recipients. Followings are the pictures taken at the ceremony.

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The Foundation is a non-profit organization established in March 1985 to foster further growth in the electronics industry by encouraging and supporting research and development activities and pioneering work related to the integration of computers and communications technologies, that is, C&C, and ultimately to contribute to the world economy and the enrichment of human life. The Foundation is funded by NEC Corporation.

The Foundation currently has two main activities. It presents the annual C&C Prizes to recognize outstanding contributions to R&D activities and pioneering work in the area of C&C. Candidates are recommended from all over the world. Each prize winner receives a certificate, a plaque, and a cash award (ten million yen per group). As of 2018, 112 prominent persons had received the prize. In addition, an Outstanding Paper Award for Young C&C Researchers is awarded annually to outstanding paper(s) presented at an international conference overseas with the support of a grant from the Foundation. Each recipient is given a cash award of 200,000 yen.

The Foundation also gives the following two grants: (1) grant to enable researchers in Japan to attend international conferences overseas to make presentations in the field of C&C and (2) grant to non-Japanese researchers in Japan.



Photo 1 C&C Prize Ceremony.



Photo 2 From the left: Prof. Hidetoshi Nishimori, Group A recipient; President Yano; Prof. Ching W. Tang, Group B recipient.

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