Horwood Distinguished Service Award History

An occasional award given for long-term service to URISA and the profession. This award is URISA’s ultimate award for service and leadership to URISA and within the geospatial industry. Awardees will have demonstrated significant contributions to both URISA and the geospatial technologies industry. The Horwood Distinguished Service Award is named after founding member and first URISA President, Edgar Horwood. Horwood was an early pioneer in the field of information systems for local government and admired by all for his intellectual and organizational contributions to URISA. Horwood was the Chair of the constitutional drafting committee, giving URISA the "open membership" model that has led to our inter-disciplinary organization.

Past Recipients:

1975 Edgar Horwood  
1979 Will Steger  
1980 Bob Aangeenbrug  
1985 Barry Wellar  
1988 Jack Dangermond  
1991 David Moyer  
1993 William Craig  
1994 Constance Blackmon  
1995 William DeGroff  
1996 Ben Nieman  
1997 Ken Dueker  
1999 William Huxhold  
2001 Ed Crane  
2002 Mike Kevany  
2004 Donald Cooke  
2005 Lyna Wiggins  
2006 Peter Croswell  
2007 Nancy von Meyer  
2008 Peirce Eichelberger  
2011 Martha McCart Wells  
2012 David DiBiase  
2014 Ed Wells  
2015 Hilary Perkins  
2016 Dianne Haley  
2019 Rebecca Somers  
2023 Glenn O’Grady & Bruce Joffe