

# ROBERT V NEHER AWARD

A Global Academic Competition

## Introduction

The Robert V Neher Award is an academic competition designed to seek out and reward the very best in innovative packaging and technical applications in context with aluminium foil and closures.

Named after the inventor of the aluminium foil rolling process, the Robert V. Neher Award welcomes submissions from students and academia from packaging, food and technical universities worldwide.

## Entry criteria

Any scientific work or research, including a bachelor, master or doctoral thesis, addressing technical, scientific or sustainable aspects of aluminium foil processing, application or use can be entered.

While aluminium foil does not have to be the main focus of the scientific work, there should be considerable reference to it.

Entries will be made online and the scientific work should be handed in as PDF and in English, along with an abstract and executive summary which highlights how aluminium foil or closures have been addressed in the scientific work.

The competition is open for entries until end of May 2018.

## Award and presentation ceremony

A cheque for EUR 10,000 will be presented to a representative of the award-winning work at the Robert V. Neher Award Ceremony, to be held at the Aluminium exhibition in Düsseldorf October 2018.

(Travel and accommodation will be provided for the representative attending)

## Judging

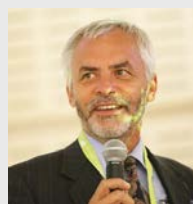
The Jury consist of five individuals with academic, as well as industrial backgrounds. The judges' decision will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

**To enter, follow the link to: [www.award.global-alufoil.org](http://www.award.global-alufoil.org)**

## THE MEMBERS OF THE JURY



**Marcelo Gonçalves, M.E., Ph.D.**  
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**Jürgen Hirsch, Prof. Dr.-Ing.**  
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**Paul D. Koning**  
(Instructor – School of Packaging Michigan State University, USA)



**Tatsuo Sato, Professor Emeritus, Dr.**  
(Tokyo Institute of Technology – Tokyo)



**Wang Zhutang, Prof.**  
(Member of expert committee, China Nonferrous Metals Fabrication Industry Association. Chief editor Aluminum Alloy and Processing Handbook in China)

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The Global Aluminium Foil Roller Initiative (GLAFRI) is the global association coordinating actions on sustainability in order to support foil market growth and promote innovative development. GLAFRI members are foil rollers and suppliers and represent about 50% of the global foil production.