



NWSEO Leaders Receive Department of Commerce Gold and Silver Medals

(October 8, 2015) Congratulations to NWSEO Members Dr. Suranjana (Suru) Saha, Mark Iredell, and Dr. Huug Van den Dool for their achievements as Department of Commerce Gold and Silver medal winners. These medals are the highest honor bestowed in the Department and NWSEO is proud to recognize their excellence and contributions to the National Weather Service.



Dr. Suranjana Saha is a Physical Scientist at NCEP's Environmental Modeling Center. She received the DOC Gold Medal for Scientific Achievement for the implementation of the new Global Forecast System to improve the public safety, quality of life, and business decisions that drive the U.S. economic growth.

NWSEO Member Mark Iredell also received a gold medal. Mark is a NEMS Team Leader at the Environmental Modeling Center. The Gold Medal recognizes distinguished performance characterized by extraordinary, notable or prestigious contributions that impact our mission

and that reflect favorably on the Department.

Dr. Saha is also the recipient of the DOC Silver Medal for Personal and Professional Excellence for the implementation of the North American Multi-Model Ensemble to put timely and useful seasonal forecast information in the hands of decision makers. Dr. Saha is the Environmental Modeling Center NWSEO Steward and the NCEP Region Vice Chair.

Dr. Huug Van den Dool is a Meteorologist at NCEP's Climate Prediction Center. He is the recipient of the DOC Silver Medal in the Personal and Professional Excellence category for the implementation of the North American Multi-Model Ensemble to put timely and useful seasonal forecast information into the hands of decision-makers. Dr. Van den Dool is the Climate Prediction Center NWSEO Steward.

The Silver Medal recognizes exceptional performance characterized by noteworthy or superlative contributions that have a direct and lasting impact within the Department. Together, Drs. Saha and Van den Dool fight for the rights of our employees and contribute to the excellence of our organization.

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National Weather Service employees.**

**No one works harder for National Weather Service employees than
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