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**Henk Dijkstra**

## Henk A. Dijkstra wins EGU Lewis Fry Richardson Medal 2005

Dutch scientist Henk A. Dijkstra has won the prestigious EGU Lewis Fry Richardson Medal for his outstanding work in developing the nonlinear dynamical systems approach to oceanography and especially for his study of the role of ocean circulation in palaeoclimate.

This medal has been established by the EGU Section on Nonlinear Processes in Geophysics in recognition of the scientific achievement of Lewis Fry Richardson. It is reserved for scientists for their exceptional contributions to nonlinear geosciences in general.

Henk A. Dijkstra is Full Professor for Physical Oceanography at Colorado State University, Fort Collins. After graduating in applied mathematics at the university of Groningen in 1984, he worked on his Ph.D. in Groningen on a Spacelab experiment and on Marangoni convection under microgravity conditions. He continued this research in chemical engineering at Cornell University. In 1990 he started working on physical oceanography and became Assistant Professor at Utrecht University, in 1996 an Associate Professor and in 2001 a Full Professor there. Henk Dijkstra has developed consequently the nonlinear dynamical systems approach to oceanography.

Prof. Dijkstra will accept his medal and give a lecture at the EGU General Assembly, to be held in Vienna, Austria from 24 – 29 april. The lecture starts at 19.00, on the 28th of April.

### links

The EGU prize winners: <http://www.copernicus.org/EGU/awards/general.html>

The EGU General Assembly: <http://www.copernicus.org/EGU/ga/egu05/>

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