Assistant professor Neven Hadžić, Associate professor Smiljko Rudan, Full professor Joško Parunov and Full professor (retired) Rajko Grubišić received the Annual Award Ivan Filipović at the ceremony held in the Ministry of Science and Education on the 27th of December 2017 for the most prominent educational achievement.

Assistant professor Neven Hadžić, Associate professor Smiljko Rudan, Full professor Joško Parunov and Full professor (retired) Rajko Grubišić from the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture, received the Annual Award Ivan Filipović of the Republic of Croatia for their active and pedagogic-scientific work in the field of naval architecture and shipbuilding. Their outstanding contribution to the development of wave loading analysis, analysis of dynamic response, fatigue, reliability, hydroelasticity and crashworthiness significantly contributed to the development of professional and educational needs. In their awarded book Collection of problems from the static and dynamic analysis of ship structures the authors expertly addressed typical problems of ship structures using contemporary and advanced engineering methods. With the book published, the authors significantly contributed to the naval architecture and wider community by simple and transparent illustrations of many complex shipbuilding problems. Their approach combines different analysis methods enabling in such a way crucial development of critical judgment within student population. Except significant pedagogic contribution of the book, their work enhances the development of contemporary life-long education of naval architects, shipbuilding experts and professionals.

The authors are employed at the Department of Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering of the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture in Zagreb, Croatia. Scientific research, development and educational activities of the Department are focused to advanced ship structure analysis, ship hydrodynamics, ship design, offshore objects and operations and ship production enhancing in such a way domestic and global shipbuilding and shipping industry while relying in the same time to the professional experience and realistic problems.

Department Staff, including the awarded professors, participate in many international and EU projects cooperating with leading universities, classification societies and shipyards. They also take part in commission works for domestic and foreign costumers. The research and investigation subjects continuously arise from the needs of the shipbuilding industry.

Assistant professor Neven Hadžić, Associate professor Smiljko Rudan, Full professor Joško Parunov and Full professor (retired) Rajko Grubišić between Mr. sc. H. Šlezak, State Secretary and Assistant professor V. Bedeković, President of the Board of the Ivan Filipović Award

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