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## *The Erlang Prize*

is awarded every two years by the Applied Probability Society of INFORMS to honor a research scholar within nine years of receiving a Ph.D. who has contributed significantly to applied probability.

The 2010 Erlang Prize has been awarded to

### *José Blanchet*

of the Department of Industrial Engineering and Operations Research of Columbia University in New York. Previously he has taught at Harvard University. José Blanchet is a leading young researcher who has already made important and fundamental contributions that are shaping and influencing the evolution of our field. He has already established himself as one of the major researchers in rare-event simulation and related asymptotics. His research agenda shows the depth and imagination necessary to continue making key contributions to these areas for years to come. But it is equally evident that José Blanchet has broad interests in applied probability that go well beyond these areas. His work-to-date on corrected diffusion approximations, uniform renewal theory, and weak convergence for perpetuities is clear evidence of his mathematical breadth and interests. Given his energy, creativity, and intellectual drive, one may expect him to be a major presence in applied probability for many years to come.

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