

ASID John Forbes Developing Nations Travelling Scholarship

The John Forbes Developing Nations Travelling Scholarship is named in honour of Dr John Forbes, ASID's first president and one of its founding fathers. In the mid-1950s, Dr Forbes set up the Epidemiology Research Department at Fairfield Hospital, and between 1966 and 1979 he established aid programs in Indonesia and Vietnam.

Eligibility

This Award will be presented to a physician or scientist from the Asia Pacific region, providing them the opportunity to attend ASID's Annual Scientific Meeting and visit centres in Australia or New Zealand at the invitation of a Full ASID member. The applicant must propose an itinerary that includes a visit to a relevant medical / research institution in addition to attending the ASM. Applications for travel that is solely to attend the ASM will not be considered.

Priority will be given to applicants from developing countries. Previous winners may not apply.

Successful applicants should be encouraged to submit an abstract to the ASM and should be offered an oral presentation if possible.

If you are interested in applying for this award, but do not know any Full Members, please enquire among your local colleagues, as they might be able to introduce you to eligible colleagues in Australia or New Zealand.

Value

Awardees will receive up to \$3,000 in reimbursements to support their attendance at the ASID Annual Scientific Meeting, as well as free registration to the Meeting. Please refer to ASID's travel policy.

Receipts will be required to claim reimbursement of actual expenses and currency of each claim should be clarified. Claims can be made for travel, accommodation, visa application, travel insurance and incidental costs.

Application

Applications for the John Forbes Award usually open a few months before the ASID Annual Scientific Meeting. Applicants will need to provide:

- Letter of application;
- Current CV;
- Letter of support from the Full ASID member who invited the applicant;
- Itinerary of your proposed trip including name/s and location of institute/s visited during the trip;

- Any further documentation you may wish to submit in support of your application

Applications will be judged by members of the ASID Board and Council. Members with experience working in developing countries might also be consulted during the judging process.

Reporting

Awardees are required to submit a report to ASID on award outcomes and impact

- Overview of the scope of activity undertaken with the support of the ASID award/grant
- Key outcomes and impact across any of the following areas:
 - How did the funding from this award/grant contribute to your research project and / or career development.
 - Would the outcomes have been possible without this funding? If not, what would have been different?
 - What would you say to future applicants about the importance of the received award / grant?

ASID award or grant funds are to be used within 12 months of being awarded. An extended term to use funds will apply to members that are or will commence paternity or maternity leave during the first 6 months of receiving the award/grant. Communication by the award/grant recipient with the ASID secretariat is required in advance.

Following the award announcement, recipients will receive a confirmation letter congratulating their achievement and outlining the following:

- The award details and scope.
- Terms and conditions.
- Confirmation of relevant banking details to enable payment.
- Supply of receipts for any reimbursements.

Awardees will be required to sign and return the letter confirming their understanding of ASID's Terms and Conditions prior to ASID providing financial disbursement.

Where appropriate and mutually agreeable, recipients are encouraged to contribute to the advancement of ASID's purpose by:

- Participating in ASID conferences, working groups, or committees.
- Provide testimonies in support of future applicants and for promotion of ASID activities.
- Supporting the development of early-career professionals through mentorship or collaboration.

Please send applications to submissions@asid.net.au