



Invitation to submit applications for travel grants

International Network of Research Management Societies (INORMS)

2016 Congress

11 - 15 September 2016 | Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre

Through the generous support of ESSENCE on Health Research, a global research funders initiative hosted at the Special Programme for Research and Training on Tropical Diseases (TDR) of the World Health Organisation, the Southern African Research and Innovation Management Association (SARIMA) is offering a limited number of travel grants to support research managers from low and middle income countries (LMICs) to participate in the sixth INORMS Congress in Melbourne, Australia.

The theme of the conference is *Research Management in a Connected World*. It is aimed at those involved in research management and administration. Please visit the conference [website](#) for more information.



More about:

SARIMA - is a stakeholder organisation that was established in 2002. Key stakeholders are research and innovation (R&I) managers in the public and private sectors, researchers and entrepreneurs, institutional management, government departments and agencies responsible for R&I, other organisations supporting R&I, and other R&I management associations. The overall objectives of SARIMA are to: (1) Develop the discipline of R&I management, including professional development and the promotion of best practice; (2) Foster and co-ordinate activities related to R&I management; (3) Create a climate at both national and institutional/organisational level which is conducive to R&I; and (4) To seek out and establish mutually beneficial links with other associations or organisations with similar or related areas of activity or objectives, at both national and international level ([read more](#)).

ESSENCE on Health Research - is a global research funders initiative hosted at the Special Programme for Research and Training on Tropical Diseases (TDR) of the World Health Organisation based in Geneva, Switzerland. It was launched in 2008 at a meeting of research funders organized by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) in Stockholm. The initiative builds on the principles of the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness and the Accra Agenda for Action, which set standards for good practice in international aid. ESSENCE aims to enhance scientific capacity within developing countries by harmonizing the way that research is funded. This should help countries become self-sufficient in research efforts to reduce their own burden of disease and so reduce reliance on imported technologies and skills and ensure that research efforts align with country needs ([read more](#)).

INORMS - is the International Network of Research Management Societies and was formed in 2001 to bring together research management societies and associations from across the globe. Its purpose is to enable interactions, sharing of good practice, and joint activities between the member societies, to the benefit of their individual memberships. The first ever INORMS Congress was hosted by the Australasian Research Management Society (ARMS) held in Brisbane, Australia in 2006 ([read more](#)).

Closing date for applications: 20 April 2016

Application Criteria

- Research managers employed at a university or another research institution in a LMIC ([country list](#)) can apply.
- Preference will be given to:
 - Applicants who have been nominated by the Executive Committee/Board of a research management association in the country/region of the applicant.
 - Applicants who are actively involved in the process of or advanced discussions to establish a research management association in his/her country/region.

Please note that the bullets above depict preference and do not exclude applications without endorsement where the relevant structures do not exist.

Grants Requirements

Travel grant holders will be expected to:

- Participate in the pre-conference workshop on *Professionalisation of research management in the context of low and middle income countries (LMICs)* on 12 September 2016.
- Participate in the conference from 13-15 September 2016.
- Submit a report (template will be provided) within 2 weeks after the conference.

What will the grant cover?

- Return economy class flight.
- Accommodation (Bed and Breakfast) for a maximum of 6 nights.
- Conference registration fee.

Please note:

- No *per diems* will be paid.
- SARIMA has already paid the registration fees and a block booking has been made at a hotel close to the conference venue. SARIMA will engage with successful applicants to confirm the registration and accommodation details and to facilitate the flight booking.
- The applicant's institution/organisation have to approve leave to attend the conference and have to cover any additional costs associated with attendance e.g. visa costs, local transfers etc.

How to apply

- Complete the online application form and submit by 20 April 2016.
- The online application cannot be saved and must be completed in one go. The sample application is attached to allow the applicant to collect the relevant information before completing the online form.
- Send a brief Curriculum Vitae and supporting documents/recommendations via email to karin@sarima.co.za
- No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.
- Successful applicants will be informed via e-mail by 11 May 2016.



Grants are limited — apply now!

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Sub-Saharan Africa

Angola	Gambia, The	Nigeria
Benin	Ghana	Rwanda
Botswana	Guinea	São Tomé and
Burkina Faso	Guinea-Bissau	Senegal
Burundi	Kenya	Seychelles
Cameroon	Lesotho	Sierra Leone
Cape Verde	Liberia	Somalia
Central African	Madagascar	South Africa
Chad	Malawi	Sudan
Comoros	Mali	Swaziland
Congo, Dem.	Mauritania	Tanzania
Congo, Rep	Mauritius	Togo
Côte d'Ivoire	Mayotte	Uganda
Eritrea	Mozambique	Zambia
Ethiopia	Namibia	Zimbabwe
Gabon	Niger	

East Asia and Pacific

American Sa-	Malaysia	Samoa
Cambodia	Marshall Islands	Solomon Islands
China	Micronesia, Fed.	Thailand
Fiji	Mongolia	Timor-Leste
Indonesia	Myanmar	Tonga
Kiribati	Palau	Vanuatu
Korea, Dem. Rep.	Papua New Guinea	Vietnam
Lao PDR	Philippines	

Middle East and North Africa

Algeria	Jordan	Tunisia
Djibouti	Lebanon	West Bank and Gaza
Egypt, Arab Rep.	Libya	Yemen, Rep.
Iran, Islamic Rep.	Morocco	
Iraq	Syrian Arab Republic	

Europe and Central Asia

Albania	Kosovo	Romania
Armenia	Kyrgyz Republic	Russian Federation
Azerbaijan	Latvia	Serbia
Belarus	Lithuania	Tajikistan
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Macedonia, FYR	Turkey
Bulgaria	Moldova	Turkmenistan
Georgia	Montenegro	Ukraine
Kazakhstan	Poland	Uzbekistan

South Asia

Afghanistan	India	Pakistan
Bangladesh	Maldives	Sri Lanka
Bhutan	Nepal	

Latin America and the Caribbean

Argentina	Ecuador	Panama
Belize	El Salvador	Paraguay
Bolivia	Grenada	Peru
Brazil	Guatemala	St. Kitts and Nevis
Chile	Guyana	St. Lucia
Colombia	Haiti	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
Costa Rica	Honduras	Suriname
Cuba	Jamaica	Uruguay
Dominica	Mexico	Venezuela, RB
Dominican Republic	Nicaragua	