

IUFRO 2017 Scientist Assistance Program <http://iufro2017.com/sap/>

Information for potential applicants

The Scientist Assistance Program (SAP) described here assists early and mid-career scientists from economically disadvantaged countries to participate in the IUFRO 125th Anniversary Congress to be held from 19-22 September 2017 in Freiburg, Germany. The information provided here outlines:

- Who is eligible to apply for SAP
- What information an applicant must provide, and
- The selection criteria

Who is eligible to apply for SAP?

Early and mid-career scientists (45 years or younger) preferably from least developed countries as defined by the UN (http://www.un.org/en/development/desa/policy/cdp/ldc/ldc_list.pdf) but also from low income and lower middle income countries according to the World Bank list (<http://siteresources.worldbank.org/DATASTATISTICS/Resources/CLASS.XLS>) are eligible to apply for financial support to attend the congress under this program.

Please note, scientists affiliated with IUFRO (either as an office holder or as an active member of an IUFRO unit, or be employed by an IUFRO member organization) will be given preference.

What information must an applicant provide in their application?

The applicant must:

- Provide a short resume
- Indicate in a covering letter how participation in the 125th Anniversary Congress will benefit the applicant and her/his country?

What selection criteria will be applied?

The following selection criteria will be applied to incoming applications:

- The eligibility requirements are fulfilled
- The required information supporting the application has been submitted
- An abstract has been accepted for oral or as poster presentation by the Congress Scientific Committee.

Please note that, in addition to these criteria, consideration in the selection of applicants will be given to issues of gender balance in keeping with the policies of IUFRO and the congress organizers. Moreover, while applications from those who have received SAP support for past IUFRO congresses are welcome, preference will be given to those who have not received funding previously.

Deadline for Applications

Applications must be submitted by email to the SPDC- Office at IUFRO Headquarters (spdc@iufro.org) **at the latest by 31 March 2017**. The email should include the following information:

- Full name (as shown in the passport)
- Nationality
- Gender
- Date of birth
- Address in country of residence
- Employer (organisation, company etc.)
- Abstract number

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