

Grants and Aid Providing Agencies for International Conferences

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for Indian Attendees

Department of Science and Technology (DST)

Description: Financial assistance to Indian researchers, scientists, and academicians for attending international conferences, workshops, and seminars related to science and technology.

Eligibility:

- Indian nationals or permanent residents
- Affiliated with a recognized Indian research institution or university
- Must have an accepted abstract or invitation to present at the conference in an S&T field

Website: <https://dst.gov.in> (Department of Science and Technology)

Address:

Technology Bhavan

New Mehrauli Road

New Delhi – 110016, India ([Department of Science and Technology](#))

Phone: +91-11-26590215 ([Department of Science and Technology](#))

Email:

- Secretary (DST): dstsec@nic.in
- Parliament Unit: parldst@nic.in ([Department of Science and Technology](#))

University Grants Commission (UGC)

Description: Travel grants to faculty members, researchers, and scholars at Indian universities for presenting papers or participating in international conferences, symposia, and workshops.

Eligibility:

- Faculty or research scholars enrolled/appointed in UGC-recognized universities
- Paper/abstract accepted for presentation at an international event

Website: <http://ugc.gov.in> (ugcresources.in)

Address:

University Grants Commission

Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg

New Delhi – 110002, India (ugcresources.in)

Phone: 011-23604446, 011-23604200 (ugcresources.in, dakmnagpur.in)

Email: contact.ugc@nic.in (dakmnagpur.in)

Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR)

Description: Travel grants to scientists and researchers at CSIR laboratories and institutes to attend international conferences, seminars, and workshops in their respective fields.

Eligibility:

- Scientists/researchers employed by CSIR laboratories or institutes
- Endorsement from the head of the parent CSIR establishment

Website: <https://csir.res.in> ([CSIR](https://csir.res.in))

Address:

Anusandhan Bhawan

2 Rafi Ahmed Kidwai Marg

New Delhi – 110001, India ([CSIR](https://csir.res.in))

Phone:

- Reception: +91-11-23737889
- Director General: +91-11-23710472, +91-11-23717053 ([CSIR](https://csir.res.in))

Fax: +91-11-23710618 ([CSIR](mailto:dgcsir@csir.res.in))

Email: dgcsir@csir.res.in ([CSIR](#))

Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)

Description: Financial assistance to researchers, scientists, and health professionals for attending international conferences, meetings, and workshops in medical research and public health.

Eligibility:

- Researchers and health-science professionals in medicine or public health
- Affiliated with an ICMR institute or recognized medical/research organization
- Accepted abstract or official invitation

Website: <https://icmr.gov.in> ([Indian Council of Medical Research](#))

Address:

V. Ramalingaswami Bhawan

P.O. Box No. 4911, Ansari Nagar

New Delhi – 110029, India ([Indian Council of Medical Research](#))

Phone: +91-11-26588895, +91-11-26588980 ([Indian Council of Medical Research](#))

Fax: +91-11-26588662 ([Indian Council of Medical Research](#))

Email: icmrhqds@sansad.nic.in ([Indian Council of Medical Research](#))

Department of Biotechnology (DBT)

Description: Support for researchers and scientists in biotechnology to attend international conferences, workshops, and training programs via fellowship and travel-grant schemes.

Eligibility:

- Indian nationals working in biotechnology
- Affiliated with a DBT-supported or recognized research institute
- Proof of paper/abstract acceptance or invitation

Website: <https://dbtindia.gov.in> ([DBT India](#))

Address:

6th–8th Floor, Block 2 and 4th–5th Floor, Block 3

CGO Complex, Lodhi Road

New Delhi – 110003, India ([DBT India](#))

Phone: +91-11-24365071 (Reception, Rm 702 Extn 261) ([DBT India](#))

Fax: +91-11-2436 2884 ([DBT India](#))

Indian National Science Academy (INSA)

Description: Travel grants to scientists, researchers, and academicians for presenting papers or participating in international conferences, symposia, and seminars across scientific disciplines.

Eligibility:

- Indian scientists, researchers, and academicians (members and non-members)
- Accepted paper/abstract for an international event

Website: <https://insaindia.res.in> ([insaindia.res.in](#))

Address:

The Executive Director

Indian National Science Academy

Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg

New Delhi – 110002, India ([insaindia.res.in](#))

Phone: (011) 23235648, 23231095 ([insaindia.res.in](#))

Email: exe.director@insa.nic.in; esoffice@insa.nic.in ([insaindia.res.in](#))

Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR)

Description: Travel grants to social science researchers, scholars, and faculty members to attend international conferences, workshops, and seminars in social sciences.

Eligibility:

- Social science researchers/faculty affiliated with Indian universities or research institutes

- Accepted abstract or official invitation

Website: <https://icssr.org> (icssr.org)

Address:

JNU Institutional Area

Aruna Asaf Ali Marg

New Delhi – 110067, India (icssr.org)

Phone: +91-11-26741849/50/51 (EPABX) (icssr.org)

Fax: +91-11-26741836 (icssr.org)

Email: info@icssr.org (icssr.org)

Application Tips:

1. Visit each agency's "Travel Grants" or "Fellowships" section online.
2. Prepare: accepted abstract/paper letter, CV, institutional endorsement, budget estimates.
3. Submit via the specified online portal or postal address before the deadline.
4. Follow up by phone or email if you do not receive acknowledgement within 4–6 weeks.

for International Attendees

International Foundation for Science (IFS)

Description: Grants for early-career scientists in developing countries, including travel support to attend international conferences and workshops.

Eligibility: Nationals or residents of IFS-eligible developing countries; typically within 10 years of completing your terminal degree; early-career researchers.

Website: <https://www.ifs.se/> ([ifs.se](https://www.ifs.se/))

Address:

IFS Secretariat

Karlavägen 108, 8th floor

SE-115 26 Stockholm, Sweden ([ifs.se](https://www.ifs.se/))

Phone: +46 8 545 818 00 (ifs.se)

Fax: +46 8 545 818 01 (ifs.se)

The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS)

Description: Travel grants for scientists and researchers from developing countries to attend international conferences, workshops, and meetings.

Eligibility: Nationals of developing countries (as per UNDP/DAC lists); doctoral degree or equivalent; active research record.

Website: <https://twas.org/> (TWAS)

Address:

TWAS offices

ICTP Campus, Via Beirut 6 / Strada Costiera 11

34151 Trieste, Italy (TWAS)

Phone: +39 040 2240 3571 (TWAS)

Email: info@twas.org (TWAS)

International Union of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (IUBMB)

Description: Travel fellowships for young biochemistry/molecular biology scientists from developing countries to join conferences and symposia.

Eligibility: Early-career scientists in developing countries; endorsement by a national biochemical society; strong promise in research.

Website: <https://iubmb.org/> (IUBMB.ORG)

Address:

c/o M.J. Meijer Notarissen N.V.

Keizersgracht 695–699

1017 DW Amsterdam, The Netherlands (IUBMB.ORG)

Phone: Not publicly listed—please use the online form at <https://iubmb.org/contact/> (IUBMB.ORG)

International Society for Computational Biology (ISCB)

Description: Travel fellowships for students and researchers from developing countries to attend computational biology/bioinformatics conferences and workshops.

Eligibility: Undergraduate, graduate students or early-career researchers in computational biology from developing countries; selection based on abstract merit and demonstrated need.

Website: <https://www.iscb.org/> ([iscb.org](https://www.iscb.org/))

Address:

ISCB

525-K East Market Street, RM 330

Leesburg, VA 20176, USA ([iscb.org](https://www.iscb.org/))

Phone: +1 571 293 2113 ([iscb.org](https://www.iscb.org/))

Fax: +1 619 374 2890 ([iscb.org](https://www.iscb.org/))

Email: admin@iscb.org ([iscb.org](https://www.iscb.org/))

International Society for Stem Cell Research (ISSCR)

Description: Travel awards for researchers from developing countries to present at the ISSCR annual meeting in stem cell science.

Eligibility: Researchers in stem cell research from developing countries with an accepted abstract for the annual meeting; preference for early-career investigators.

Website: <https://www.isscr.org/> ([ISSCR](https://www.isscr.org/))

Address:

ISSCR

630 Davis St, Suite 200

Evanston, IL 60201, USA ([ISSCR](https://www.isscr.org/))

Phone: +1 224 592 5700 ([ISSCR](https://www.isscr.org/))

Email: isscr@isscr.org ([ISSCR](https://www.isscr.org/))

Global Young Academy (GYA)

Description: Travel grants for early-career researchers from developing countries to participate in international science conferences and meetings.

Eligibility: Members or alumni of GYA who are nationals of developing countries; typically within 10 years of earning their PhD.

Website: <https://globalyoungacademy.net/> ([Global Young Academy](#))

Address:

Global Young Academy

c/o German National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina

Emil-Abderhalden-Straße 37

06108 Halle (Saale), Germany ([Global Young Academy](#))

Phone: +49 345 47239 170 ([Global Young Academy](#))

European Molecular Biology Organisation (EMBO)

Description: Travel grants for scientists from developing countries to attend EMBO annual meetings, courses, and workshops in molecular biology and related fields.

Eligibility: Scientists at any career stage residing in or citizens of developing countries recognised by EMBO; applications tied to specific course or workshop calls.

Website: <https://www.embo.org/> ([EMBO](#))

Address:

EMBO

Meyerhofstrasse 1

D-69117 Heidelberg, Germany ([EMBO](#))

Phone: +49 6221 8891 0 ([EMBO](#))

Fax: +49 6221 8891 200 ([EMBO](#))

Before applying, always review each organization's website for the most current application deadlines, detailed guidelines, and required documentation.