



## **Support for delegates from Developing Countries**

As hosts of the XVth World Water Congress, The Scottish Government are pleased to confirm that financial support will be available to a limited number of qualifying delegates from developing countries to attend the Congress. Financial support will be available on a needs basis to cover costs for travel, accommodation and registration fees directly related to attendance at the Congress, in part or in full as required, subject to the terms and conditions set out below. Delegates are nevertheless strongly encouraged to explore alternative sources of funding, such as sponsorship, to ensure that the limited financial support available is targeted at those with the greatest need.

### **Eligibility**

To qualify for financial support, delegates must have had a paper accepted by the IWRA International Scientific Committee for oral presentation at the Congress and be citizens of a developing country defined with reference to the prevailing UNDP Human Development Index. Priority will be given to those currently living or working in a developing country. Delegates will be expected to provide an official letter signed by the head of their institution confirming that funding has been sought from the institution and the level of support, if any, available from the institution to support the delegate's attendance at the Congress.

Eligible delegates seeking financial support will be required to submit estimates of their economy airfare costs prior to the approval of support. All supported costs will be reimbursed within 30 days of the close of the XVth World Water Congress. Proof of citizenship of a developing country and attendance at the Congress will be required before reimbursement.

## Level of Support

Support will be provided for direct travel costs related to attendance at the XVth World Water Congress as described here. The hosts will cover the costs of one return economy airfare per delegate plus public transport (Bus or Train or Tram) costs to and from Edinburgh or Glasgow airport to the hotel allocated to the delegate by the organisers. Hotel costs (single room rate, bed and breakfast) will be directly met by the organisers. The costs of meals or other incidental expenses taken at the hotel are not included nor will local public transport costs other than the airport transfer be included.

## Selection

As limited financial support is available, the Congress Local Organising Committee and the IWRA Congress Working Group will jointly assess applications and have the final decision on which delegates will be selected for support.

## Application

Following the acceptance of abstracts for oral presentation, applications for financial support should be sent by email to the Conference Organisers at: [info@worldwatercongress.com](mailto:info@worldwatercongress.com) by **30<sup>th</sup> of January 2015**.

Applications should include estimated travel costs and include supporting documentation relating to the costs of travel. The level of support will be based solely on these estimates.



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