

Funds available to support attendance of 2014 International Ornithological Congress

Applications for support are invited from ornithologists world-wide. Funds have been committed by the American Ornithologists' Union and Cooper Ornithological Society (and hopefully will be forthcoming from the National Science Foundation) of the USA, to help participants attend the 2014 IOC in Tokyo, Japan (IOC Website <http://ioc26.jp/>). The amount available to awardees may vary, although the Committee hopes to provide from \$500 - \$1,000 per individual. Awards will reimburse selected individuals for legitimate expenses (e.g., air fare, lodging at the congress, and registration fees: original receipts required). We encourage participants to seek assistance from more than additional sources (e. g., home institution, government grants, etc.).

Eligibility: Applicants must be registered participants in the congress. The committee will use a number of factors to determine awards. For example, academic rank, past participation in IOCs and other scientific congresses, the nature of the applicant's participation at the 2014 IOC, and country of current employment.

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Online application will require: (1) personal data; (2) abstract of presentation with information as to the nature of the applicant's participation; (3) current CV, including publication list, current position; (4) one paragraph statement describing how applicant is furthering development of ornithology; (5) statement detailing the degree of need for funding and budget information; (6) ornithological and other scientific society membership; (7) a letter of support (from a director or colleague); and (8) optional information on racial or ethnic identity.

Travel awards will be given to some awardees at the Congress. However, some US citizens may need to submit receipts following the congress with award checks to be mailed subsequently. Awardees must agree to participate in follow-up surveys and/or contribute a letter of support for future grant proposals, discussing the benefits of their participation in the IOC.

Applications must be submitted by 15 November, 2013, and will be evaluated by an international committee of ornithologists with announcement of awards by 15 December, 2013. Only online submissions will be considered (link above). If you have questions, contact the Committee Chair, Stephan J. Schoech (sschoech@memphis.edu).