Young Researcher Travel Grant

*This grant is to fund (fully or in part) New Zealand early career Earth science researchers and PhD students to attend and present a talk or poster at their first international overseas conference.*

*Rules relevant to applications and eligibility for this award are included as an appendix to this form. Please read these before completing the application.*

**Section 1: Details of Applicant & Referee**

Name of applicant:

Age/date of birth:

Position: *student, lecturer, post-doctoral researcher, etc*.

Institution:

Date of completion (conferment) of PhD (if applicable):

Address:

Email:

Applicants are required to arrange for ONE referee report to be provided to support the application. This may be either included with this application form and the other application documents, or it may be sent directly from the Referee to the Awards Subcommittee Chair, to be received on or before the closing date for applications (see note at the end of the application).

Name of Referee:

Position:

Institution:

Address:

Email:

**Section 2: Supporting statement**

Please provide a statement outlining details of the conference or workshop (including location and dates), and the value/outcomes that will come from attending. Your statement should not exceed the equivalent of 1 A4 page.

*Please enter your supporting statement here. Please do not change the font size. The text box will automatically expand to accommodate the text as necessary. These instructions can be deleted.*

**Section 3: Budget**

Provide a budget which:

* Itemises ALL costs of attendance at the conference/workshop
* Clearly denotes what the funds sought from the Society will be used to cover
* Includes all other sources of funding available or currently sought in addition to the Society funds (e.g. self-funding, departmental grants, grants from the event organisers, etc.).

The following table includes an example budget. Please delete the example budget and edit the table to accommodate the costs and funds relevant to this proposal. Categories and columns/rows may be added/deleted as needed. The budget should not exceed 1 page These instructions may be deleted.

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| **Conference/workshop fees** | NZD$ |
| Registration | 1255 |
| Post-conference field trip | 570 |
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| **Accommodation**  |  |
| Hostel accommodation in Berlin (9 nights @ NZD $65 per night)  | 585 |
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| **Travel** |  |
| Flights (return Palmerston North to Berlin, inc. taxes) | 3578 |
| Taxis/airport transfers  | 150 |
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| **Subsistence (food & sundry expenses)** |  |
| 13 days @ $75 per day | 975 |
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| **TOTAL EXPENSES** | **7113** |
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| **Funding requested from GSNZ YRTG\*** |  |
| Registration costs | 1255 |
| Post conference field trip costs | 570 |
| **Total** | **1825** |
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| **Other sources of funding (confirmed)** |  |
| Institutional post-graduate student grant | 1000 |
| Supervisor research grant  | 3000 |
| Self-funding | 300 |
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| **Other sources of funding (sought)** |  |
| ECR support from Conference  | 1025 |
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| **TOTAL OTHER FUNDING SUPPORT** | **5325** |

\**For all applications requesting more than NZD$1000, applicants are also required to submit quotes or other evidence of costs of the items listed here*

**Section 4: Details of presentation/poster (if applicable)**

Please insert the abstract (including title and all co-authors) of the presentation to be given. If the applicant is presenting something without an abstract associated with is (such as running a workshop session) please provide a short <300 word) summary of the activity. If the applicant is not presenting anything (e.g. in the case of workshop attendance only) then this section may be left blank.

*Please enter your abstract/summary here. The text box will automatically expand to accommodate the text as necessary. These instructions can be deleted.*

**Section 5: Curriculum Vitae**

*Please insert a 1-page academic CV. The text box will expand to accommodate it. These instructions can be deleted. Alternatively, a 1 page CV in a separate file may be submitted with this application form.*

**Section 5: Declaration**

*I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained within this application is true and accurate. I understand that if, for any reason should I not undertake the activities detailed in this application, I may be required to return any funds awarded by the Society.* YES[ ]

*Once completed, please send your application form to the current Chair of the Awards subcommittee (*VP@gsnz.org.nz) *by the due date advertised in the Call for Awards for the year in which the nomination is being made.*

**Appendix**

**Rules relevant to applications and eligibility for the Young Researcher Travel Grant**

As contained within the GSNZ Bylaws pertaining to The Geoscience Society Of New Zealand Awards Trust (full version available via the [GSNZ website](http://gsnz.org.nz/)).

*2.The purpose of grant is to fund (fully or in part) one or more early career geoscience researchers or PhD students to present at their first overseas international conference or international workshop. The grant will fund or contribute to funding of registration, travel and accommodation costs.*

*3. An ‘international conference‘ or an ‘international workshop' is defined as an internationally recognised geoscience conference or meeting, held overseas from New Zealand. A student who has previously attended conferences or workshops prior to starting their PhD or employment in New Zealand is eligible to apply.*

*4. The total value of a grant pool shall be a maximum of $5000 each calendar year, with the exact amount to be voted upon by the GSNZ Committee in February or March. It is highly unlikely that one applicant will receive the full amount.*

*5. Applications will be considered on merit in a maximum of two rounds during the course of the year. Applications are due on June 1st and September 1st. After the June round, the grant pool is not recharged until the following year and therefore the September round will proceed at the GSNZ committee's discretion.*

*7. To be eligible to apply for the grant, applicants must:*

*a. Be current members of the Geoscience Society of New Zealand;*

*b. Be currently undertaking, or have recently completed, their PhD on a geoscience topic at a New Zealand university or research institute; OR,*

*c. Be currently employed in a post-doctoral, lecturer/researcher or similar position in the field of geosciences at a New Zealand university or research institute ;*

*d. Be under the age of 35 years at the round cut off date and have completed their PhD within the last 5 years.*

*9. Successful applicants are required to submit a report on the conference or workshop to the Society's Awards subcommittee within 3 months of the attendance. The applicant will also be encouraged to submit a summary of the research to the GSNZ newsletter upon completion..*

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