Call for Applications of Ecology and Civil Engineering Society (ECES) Grants for Participation in International Conferences in 2024

ECES International Committee

ECES International Committee are now accepting applications for ECES Grants for Participation in International Conferences in 2024. Please refer to the following application guideline. Researchers and engineers who have taken advantage of this program have reported meaningful insights and experiences. We encourage young members to consider applying for the ECES grant.

Application Guidelines for ECES Grants for Participation in International Conferences

1. Objectives

Concerns related to the natural environment and its development have been focused all over the world, and various research and practical challenges have been conducted. In order to grow the ECES community, it is necessary to promote human communication while obtaining information through active involvement and participation in overseas activities.

The ECES invites applicants from among its members, selects one "dispatched researcher," sends the researcher to international conferences related to ECES fields to be held overseas between April 2024 and March 2025, and reports the results to the members of the ECES.

2. Selection Methods

1) Qualifications

- Applicants must be regular or student members of the <u>Ecology and Civil Engineering Society</u>, Japan.
 Note: Even if you are not a member at the time of application, you may apply on the condition that you become a member of ECES.
- Students or researchers/engineers under 35 years old

2) Selection of dispatched researchers

The total amount of the ECES grant will be maximum 400,000 Japanese-yen. The grant amount will be determined by the location of the dispatched conference.

The International Exchange Committee will screen the documents, select the candidates of a dispatched researcher, and report the selection process and results to the Executive Committee and the Board of Directors of ECES.

3) Selection Criteria

- Consistency of the candidate's background (research and survey experience) with the theme of the conference to be dispatched
- > Whether or not the applicant clearly states the focus of what the applicant intends to learn at the conference.
- > Ability to attend international conferences and understand their contents
- Degree of interest in the field of ECES
- > Activities, participation, and awards received from the Ecology and Civil Engineering Society
- > Research achievements and work results related to the dispatch

4) Reporting form after participation in the conference

(1) The dispatched researcher must submit a report on the participation in the conference using the designated form. The report will be published in the newsletter of ECES and in the Topics of "Ecology and Civil Engineering".

(2) After participating in the conference, a financial report on the use of the grant amount (the items of expense and the amount of money spent) must be submitted. If the amount spent exceeds the total amount of the grant, the financial report must include the excess amount. If the amount spent does not exceed the maximum grant amount, the remained amount must be refunded to the ECES.

(3) If the dispatched researcher has to cancel their participation in the conferences due to unavoidable reasons, the dispatched researcher must immediately report the reasons for the cancelation to the secretariat of the ECES.

(4) The dispatched researcher is encouraged to submit a paper on grant-related research or technology development to "Ecology and Civil Engineering" or "Landscape and Ecological Engineering".

3. Grant Application Form

Applicants are required to provide the following information: ECES membership number (if you will become a member, please indicate this), applicants name, affiliation, contact information (address, telephone, fax, e-mail, and contact person in Japanese), age, gender, field of specialization, the name of conference to attend (name of conference, name of organizer, date, country/place, purpose/content of conference, whether or not a field trip will be held, participation application deadline, participation fee, your research presentation style (e.g., oral, poster), information brochures (if there are)), estimated and detailed list of necessary expenses, and the reason why you wish to be attend

the conference (refer to the list in "3) Selection Criteria"). Please submit these information in no more than two A4 pages (free format) to the ECES Secretariat by mail, fax, or e-mail to the address below. The application form should be written in either Japanese or English. If your affiliation will changes after April 2024, please include your new contact information.

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4. Application Deadline

The documents must be arrived at the ECES office by March 31, 2024.

5. Time of Grant Decision

The decision will be made by late April 2024.

6. International Conferences and Symposiums recommended for the grant (International conferences organized by the following international societies)

- International Consortium of Landscape and Ecological Engineering (ICLEE)

- Annual Meeting of Society for Freshwater Science (SFS)
- American Geophysical Union (AGU)
- Association for the Science of Limnology and Oceanography (ASLO)
- European Geosciences Union (EGU)
- International Society for Ecological Modelling (ISEM)
- International Society for River Science (ISRS)
- International Water Association (IWA)

Applications to other conferences are also welcome.