

# Travel Grant

**The ISPPD-14 Meeting provides abstract presenters with an opportunity to apply for Travel Grants via the abstract submission system.**

## KEY DATES

- **Application:** Via the [abstract submission portal](#)
- **Deadline:** 24 November 2025 (23:59 CET)
- **Notifications:** by 12 February 2026\*

*\*Please note that all efforts are made to send notifications by the planned date. Should there be delays with the selection process, revised dates will be posted here.*

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Thanks to the generous support of the International Society of Pneumonia and Pneumococcal Diseases (ISPPD) and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the ISPPD-14 Meeting will award travel grants to selected ISPPD-14 applicants who fulfill the following criteria.

- Letter of recommendation from the applicant's head of department/institute, written in English
- Submitted abstract accepted into the ISPPD-14 scientific programme

Only applications from presenting authors of abstracts accepted into the ISPPD-14 scientific programme will be considered for the grant. Applications will be scored based on various factors such as the abstract quality, country of

origin, career stage and motivation for attendance, etc. While priority will be given to applicants who are young investigators and/or are from [GAVI-eligible countries](#) (as of 2025), the ISPPD-14 meeting welcomes a wide range of applications. Please note that despite the organisers' efforts, some applications may be rejected due to insufficient funds.

## **The Travel Grant consists of:**

- Free registration
- Hotel accommodation booked and paid through the meeting organizers (5 nights in a single room at a specified hotel).
- Reimbursement of travel expenses up to a predetermined amount based on the country of origin of the grant recipient.

*\*Please note that reimbursement will be made after the Meeting. Further details regarding the travel expenses reimbursement will be provided via the notification.*

*\*\*Please note that in general, only transportation expenses and, in some cases, expenses related to visa application, such as visa application fee, are eligible for reimbursement. Expenses related to travel insurance, food & beverages, and additionally booked conference functions (workshops, networking events), etc., will not be reimbursed.*

## **HOW TO APPLY**

The Travel Grant application is a part of the abstract submission process. You cannot apply for the Grant without submitting an abstract.

## **Please prepare the following documents:**

- Answer to the question why you would like to attend the

ISPPD-14 Meeting.

- A document that proves your birth date and country of origin (ie. passport/ID card, birth certificate, driving licence, etc.). The document must include English or be translated into English.
- A letter of recommendation signed by your department head or a supervisor with an indication of their affiliation and role. The letter must be written in English.

***Please note:*** Travel Grants can only be awarded to presenting authors of abstracts accepted to the ISPPD-14 scientific programme. When applying for the Travel Grant, it is recommended that the presenting author is also the abstract submitter. The designated presenting author is the one who should submit the required documentation for the Travel Grant application.

## **GAVI-ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES**

As of 2025, 54 countries are considered [GAVI-eligible](#):

Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Myanmar, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Tajikistan, Togo, Uganda, UR Tanzania, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe