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Travel Grants for Young Scientists

Guidelines for Applicants

In order to support the exchange and discussion of scientific results generated at the GEOMAR Helmholtz Centre for Ocean Research Kiel, the Society encourages the participation of young scientists in scientific conferences and meetings in Germany and abroad providing financial support in accordance with its statutes and in justified individual/special cases. Eligible applicants include students shortly before or after completion of their Master's or Diploma degree, doctoral candidates, and postdoctoral researchers.

Funding approval is granted by the Chair of the Society in accordance with the principles outlined below. Applicants are requested to follow these guidelines carefully when submitting their application:

1. The application must specify the type/name, location/place, and duration/time of the event. The submitted documentation must indicate the applicant's personal/scientific contribution to the event (e.g. conference program, invitation, title and format of the contribution such as an oral presentation or poster).
2. A letter of support from the supervising professor must be enclosed. With this the professor has to confirm that funding from the institutional budget or from project funds is not available.
3. The application must include a detailed budget list outlining anticipated travel, accommodation, and participation costs.
4. Funding may be awarded to only one individual per specific event or per a thematically defined sub-session of an event. In cases where several candidates apply, the supervising scientist may be responsible for selecting the nominee.
5. Due to limited financial resources, it is generally assumed that each applicant can benefit from a travel grant only once.
6. In general, applicants should have completed a Diploma or Master's degree. At least, the corresponding thesis must have been submitted. Exceptions may be granted in justified/special cases.
7. It is assumed that applicants do not receive financial support for the same purpose from other sources. Any additional funding must be disclosed and listed in the submitted budget list.
8. Grant recipients are expected to submit a brief report after the event and to be willing/prepared to present their project at the annual meeting of the Society.