**MSA-ISPT Mid-Career Researcher Award Application**

The MSA-ISPT organising committee is pleased to announce a new initiative directed to Mid-Career Researchers (MCRs). The MSA-ISPT MCR award will be granted to distinguished MCRs with an exceptional track-record to support their conference expenditures. Successful applicants will receive funding support to cover accommodation costs while attending the MSA-ISPT conference.

(MCRs here are defined as researchers within 5-15 years post-PhD graduation)

**Eligibility**

* Must have a PhD award date between 1 March 2009 and 1 March 2019, in compliance with ARC Future Fellowship 24 grant scheme.
* Must have their abstract accepted and be the presenting author of an oral presentation at the conference.

**Selection Criteria**

Applicants will be selected by a panel of judges according to their track record relative to the opportunity, the quality of abstract and significance of research, justification of eligibility. *Applicants who meet all eligibility criteria and demonstrate an active association with the MSA will be strongly considered.*

**What the MSA-ISPT award is for?**

This award is provided specifically to cover the accommodation expenses of the successful applicants. The MSA-ISPT committee will book a studio for each awardee at Forrest Hall (University of Western Australia short stay accommodation). The period of stay will be: 02/12/2023 (check-in) – 6/12/2023 (check-out). Transportation expenses to and from the conference venue will not be covered.

**How to apply?**

The application form must be submitted via email to the MSA-ISPT organising committee (andrea.merenda@uts.edu.au) with the subject line: “**MSA-ISPT MCR award**” by the announced deadline. The outcome of the application will be announced within 2 weeks after the deadline. No feedback will be provided to unsuccessful applicants.

**MSA travel award application submission deadline: 30 September 2023**

**Conditions**

To qualify for this travel funding program, the awardee must meet the following terms and conditions:

* **Reporting** – write a short article as a contribution to the MSA Newsletter, highlighting relevant points of interest to MSA members (can be about the conference or other member-related topics);
* **Interview –** agree to arrange a short interview at a convenient time with Dr. Amir Razmjou, MSA newsletter coordinator. Such interview will be included in the MSA newsletter and advertised throughout the MSA social network.
* **Acknowledgment** – the MSA-ISPT conference and the MSA (including the logo) must be acknowledged for providing financial support in the presentation materials.

**Contact us**

If you would like further information on the MSA-ISPT MCR award, please contact: **andrea.merenda@uts.edu.au**

**MSA-ISPT MCR award**

**(a) Application Form**

***Applicant details:***

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*MSA membership number:* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***MSA-ISPT conference details***

*Has your abstract been accepted as an oral presentation? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No*

*Title of presentation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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| *Justification of eligibility (Write max of 100 words to support your application):* |

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| **Required supporting documents: attach (a) application form with supporting documents (i-v) as one PDF document and submit via email to** **andrea.merenda@uts.edu.au** **with the title “MSA-IST MCR award”***(i) Curriculum vitae (2 pages max), with full employment history.**(ii) Research Opportunity and Performance Evidence (2 pages max), highlighting your research achievements, contributions and funding obtained as named investigator.**(iii) Proof of oral abstract acceptance* *(iv) Copy of submitted abstract* *(v) MSA members may provide proof of their membership status* |