**MSA TRAVEL AWARD PROGRAM FOR MEMBERS FROM INDUSTRY**

In order to assist MSA members from industry (junior/mid-career researchers) to attend international conferences, the MSA will sponsor two travel awards per calendar year to support their travel and attendance costs to a maximum of $500 AUD. The main purpose of the award is to assist MSA industry members to attend the international membrane conferences and the MSA organised events/conferences. For this round, we are opening the industry travel award to help support attend IMSTEC2025. The recipients will receive the cash prize into their project or travel account. The award winners will be announced to all MSA members as well as at the conference closing ceremony.

**Eligibility**

* Must be a current member (industry-based) of the MSA
* Must be considered a junior or mid-career researcher/employee and under 40 years old (we will consider career interruptions)
* Must have their abstract accepted and be the presenting author of an oral or poster presentation at the conference
* Must not have previously won a travel grant from MSA during the calendar year
* Indicate in the application the projected travel budget including the amount of any departmental or other support available

**Selection Criteria**

Applicants will be selected by a panel of judges looking for future industry leaders a) who are committed to guiding membrane research, driving membrane innovation and technology commercialisation; and b) who have the greatest need for financial assistance.

**Travel Funding use – What the MSA grant support program is for?**

Financial support is provided for any conference-related expenses incurred by the awardee.

**How to apply?**

The application form must be submitted to the MSA Travel Funding Committee (email to: ([leonard.tijing@uts.edu.au](mailto:leonard.tijing@uts.edu.au) and cc [zongli.xie@csiro.au](mailto:zongli.xie@csiro.au)) at the announced deadline. The outcome of the application will be announced within 4 weeks after the deadline.

**MSA Industry travel award application submission deadline:** October 5th, 2025 for IMSTEC2025

**Conditions**

To qualify for this travel funding program, the awardee has to 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);
* Acknowledgment – 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 funding program, contact

* Interim travel funding program coordinator: Dr. Zongli Xie or [zongli.xie@csiro.au)/](mailto:zongli.xie@csiro.au)/) A/Prof Leonard Tijing ([leonard.tijing@uts.edu.au](mailto:leonard.tijing@uts.edu.au))

**MSA INDUSTRY TRAVEL FUNDING SUPPORT PROGRAM**

**Application Form**

***Applicant details***

*Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*Job title/Role: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*Affiliation/Company:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*MSA member?: □ Yes* (membership number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) *□ No*

***Conference details***

*Name of conference: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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*Has your abstract been accepted? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No*

*Presentation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Oral presentation \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Poster presentation*

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

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| ***Required supporting documents:*** *\_\_\_\_\_ Proof of abstract submission \_\_\_ Proof of MSA membership*  *\_\_\_ Copy of submitted abstract \_\_\_\_\_ Curriculum vitae*  *\_\_\_\_ Cover letter (Specify in cover letter why are you applying for the MSA travel funding support program? Describe your activity and how to use the estimated budget. Specify the potential benefits toward membrane science and/or industry that this support could bring.* |

Applications (submit as one document with all attachments) must be electronically sent to: Leonard Tijing ([leonard.tijing@uts.edu.au](mailto:leonard.tijing@uts.edu.au)) and cc Zongli Xie ([zongli.xie@csiro.au](mailto:zongli.xie@csiro.au))