**MSA DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR FUNDING SUPPORT PROGRAM**

This program provides funding support to the visit of international distinguished scholar in membrane-related fields to Australasia.

**Who can apply for the MSA distinguished scholar funding support program?**

All MSA members can apply for the funding support from the MSA.

**Funding use – What the MSA distinguished scholar funding support program is for?**

Financial support is provided for visiting activities that are beneficial to membrane community in Australasia. This includes a range of activities, such as:

* Sharing of knowledge on one particular topic related to membrane technology in the laboratory, pilot or full scale level,
* Scientific lectures/seminars

Funding support is available to help out with:

* Catering (e.g., cost of lunch, coffee),
* Travel and accommodation expenses,

A maximum of $2,000 per scholar will be allocated.

**How to apply?**

The application form must be submitted to the MSA at least 2 months before the date of the visit. Please advise the MSA as soon as possible of any planned visit so that we can consider it for budgeting. The chances of success are likely to be improved by an early application. The outcome of the application will be announced approximately 1 month after the submission of the application.

**Conditions**

To qualify for this funding program, your application has to meet the following terms and conditions:

* Matched funding – your application must include at least an equal monetary contribution from other sources to support the visit;
* The scholar must be an outstanding, world-renown expert in membrane-related fields;
* The scholar must give at least two (2) scientific seminars in different universities;
* Reporting – write a short article on the event for publication in the MSA newsletter, highlighting relevant points of interest to MSA members;
* Acknowledgment – the MSA (including the logo) must be acknowledged for providing financial support in all printed media (programs, flyers, cover slides, websites, etc.) and presentation materials.

**Contact us**

If you would like further information on the MSA funding program, contact

* The coordinator of the distinguished scholar funding support program:

Dr Geroge Chen (gechen@unimelb.edu.au and copy to support@membrane-australasia.org)

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**Application Form**

**1a. Details of the Applicant:**

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| **Title:****First name:** **Surname:**  |
| **Organisation:**  |
| **Email: Tel:** |
| **Your MSA member:**  |  |

***\* Add additional applicants as required***

**1b. Attachment 1: Please attach a copy of your academic curriculum vitae.**

**1c. Title of the Lecture(s)/seminar(s) given by the invited scholar:** Provide a concise and informative title in lay terms.

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**2 Details of the Distinguished Visiting Scholar:**

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| **Name:** |  |
| **Current Position:** |  |
| **Department/Faculty:** |  |
| **University:** |  |
| **Email address:** |  |
| **Link to the visiting scholar’s web profile:** |  |

## **2b. Attachment 2: Please attach a copy of the academic curriculum vitae of the visiting scholar to this application.**

**3a. Proposed plan of visit.** **Note that evidence of communication with the distinguished scholar is optional at the time of application.** However if an applicant is successful, he/she would have to provide evidence of communication and commitment to the visit by the distinguished scholar.

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| I have discussed the proposed visit with the nominated distinguished visiting scholar. | Yes/No |

**3c. Outline the timeline/activities that will be undertaken and the outcomes of the proposed visit (600 words maximum)**

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**4. Alignment with MSA’s missions**

**In no more than 100 words, describe the benefits to MSA**.

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## **5. Proposed Budget**

**Please provide details of the proposed items you would like to allocate funding in the table below:**

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| **Budget Item** | **Amount requested** | **Justification** |
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| **Total requested budget**  |  |  |