Early Career Research Conference Attendance Grants

*For 2021, the National Committee of the GSNZ is offering two grants of $500 each to support ECR Society members who would otherwise not be able to attend the conference through financial hardship. The grants will provide financial support to help cover registration, accommodation, or travel costs associated with attending the GSNZ Annual Conference.*

*To be eligible for an ECR grant, you must:*

a. be within three years of completing your highest degree programme;
b. be presenting one or more papers and/or posters at the Conference;
c. be a current financial member of the Society (to join or renew, go to <https://www.gsnz.org.nz/become-a-member/> ).

*Please complete all sections of this form. Once complete, please upload your form as part of your online conference registration.*

*Applications are due by the closing of Abstract Submission (1 September). Any extension to the Abstract Submission deadline will also apply to ECR conference attendance grant applications.*

**Section 1: Details of Applicant**

1. Name:
2. Email:
3. Address:
4. Date of completion (MM/YYYY) of your highest degree programme. For PhDs, this should be date of conferment of degree, not date of submission or examination:
5. Please supply your GSNZ membership number\*:

*\*To obtain your membership number, go to* [*www.gsnz.org.nz*](http://www.gsnz.org.nz)*, click on ‘Member’s log in’ at the top right of the page. Log in (if necessary, reset your password in the process). Once logged in, click on your profile icon in the top right. Select ‘view profile’. Your membership number will be displayed below your name.*

1. Are you a member of any GSNZ Special Interest Groups (see <https://www.gsnz.org.nz/about-us/special-interest-groups/>)? Please tick all that apply.

[ ]  ECRs [ ]  Geochemistry [ ]  Hydrogeology [ ]  Historical Studies

[ ]  LAVA NZ [ ]  Petroleum [ ]  Palaeontology [ ]  Sedimentology

[ ]  Friends of the Pleistocene

**Section 2: Details of Presentation/s & Conference Activities**

Presentations

Please enter the details of your conference presentation here. If you are planning to present more than one (e.g. an oral and a poster) then please include details for a further presentation in the space provided. Copy and paste the existing title, author and type prompts to assist with this.

Please only include presentations for which you are the lead presenter.

Title of Presentation:

Full list of co-authors (in order as per abstract submission to the conference website):

Type of presentation (oral/poster):

Oral[ ]  Poster [ ]

*Insert additional presentation details here, if applicable. Copy and paste the title, author and type prompts first. Otherwise, leave blank.*

Other conference activities

Are you intending to participate in or lead any other activities while at the conference, i.e. field trips, convening a session, workshops, meetings, etc.?

 YES[ ]  NO[ ]

*If yes, please give details here*

**Section 3: Budget**

Please provide a brief indicative budget for your anticipated costs of attending the Conference.

The following table includes an example budget. Please delete the example budget and edit the table to accommodate the costs and funds relevant to you. Columns/rows may be added/deleted as needed. These instructions may be deleted.

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| **Expenses** | NZD$ |
| Conference registration | $460 |
| Travel expenses (e.g. flights, taxis, fuel, etc.) *Return flights between Auckland and Palmerston North* | $240 |
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| Accommodation costs (include type, rate and number of nights) Student Halls, 4 nights @ $70/night | $280 |
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| Food/sustenance  | $80 |
| Other (please specify) |  |
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**Section 4: Benefits of Conference Attendance**

Please provide a brief statement (500 words or less) outlining the benefits to you and your career from attending this conference.

**Section 5a: Head of Department Approval**

For applicants currently employed in a University or CRI or equivalent professional geoscience position, we request that applications are signed by the applicant’s Head of Department/School (or appropriate nominee). For applicants currently unemployed or employed outside of professional geoscience, please complete Section 5b instead.

Head of Department name:

I confirm the following:

1. That no departmental funds are available to the applicant to support conference attendance.
2. That the budget information presented in Section 3 is appropriate.

Head of Department Signature\*:

Date:

**Section 5b: Supporting Reference**

For applicants currently unemployed or employed outside of professional geoscience, please provide the contact details of a current member of the Geoscience Society of New Zealand who we can approach to provide support for your application.

Name:

Address:

Current position (e.g. Professor, Senior Scientist, etc.,):

Phone number:

Email:

**Section 6: Further Information & Applicant Declaration**

Please note the following:

* Applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application within 1 month of the closure of Abstract submission.
* Funds will be paid to successful recipients on registration at the conference itself.
* All successful applicants will be required to provide a brief report on their experience of the conference for the March edition of the Society newsletter.

*I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained within this application is true and accurate.* YES[ ]

*I confirm that I do not have access to any financial support (e.g. research grants, departmental funds, etc.)* YES[ ]

Applicant signature\*:

Date:

*\*signatures can be added as image files*

*Once completed, please upload your form to the Conference registration website.*