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XXIth International Congress on Animal Hygiene 2024 PTF Announcement

Prof. Tielen Foundation supports young scientists from developing countries to participate in the XXIth Congress on Animal Hygiene September 16th - 20th, 2024 in Chiang Mai, Thailand

The Xth Congress on Animal Hygiene in 2000 in Maastricht, the Netherlands was organised by Prof. Martin Tielen from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine in Utrecht. The organising committee of Maastricht founded the "Prof. Tielen Fund-Foundation" (PTF) to dedicate to the purpose that young scientists from developing countries could get a grant for financial support to attend the congress.

After this congress the PTF continued to collect money from individual veterinarians and companies to support young scientists for the following ISAH congresses. The PTF is endorsed by known international companies and supported by some smaller individual contributions. At the moment we are looking for new sponsors to keep the foundation viable for the long term.

In that way the PTF supported, in the last 11 congresses all together, 140 young scientists from over 28 different countries for a total amount of above €120,000.

The Board of the PTF decided to open again the opportunity for young scientists in the developing countries to apply for a grant to attend the XXI^{th} congress of the ISAH from September $16^{th}-20^{th}$, 2024 in Chiang Mai, Thailand. We will use the same format for the application for this financial support as used for former congresses.

Young scientist in the developing countries can apply for a support of a maximum of \in 400 for the congress fee and the lodging costs in a low budget accommodation, and an additional contribution in the costs for airfare with a maximum of \in 700.

The conditions are as follows:

- Only young scientists of developing countries based on the list of FAO (Latin America, Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe) can opt for financial support.
- The applicant has to be no more then 35 years of age.
- The applicant should speak rather good English.
- The young scientist has to present a paper with sufficient scientific quality at the congress.
- The young scientist has no opportunity to find the required financial support by other sources.
- Experience by publication of 2 articles in national or international journals is preferable.
- The country representative of the ISAH in the country of origin can advice on the acceptation of the application. More then one application can be submitted, however in preferably, only one will be selected per country for the grant by the Board of the PTF.
- Country representatives and young scientists can ask for application forms by e-mail to the Prof. Tielen Foundation (pietertielen@hotmail.com) or can be downloaded from the PTF-website.
- Completed Application Forms from the young scientists should be sent by e-mail together with a copy of the submitted abstract for the congress to the chairman of the PTF, Ir. Pieter Tielen (pietertielen@hotmail.com).

Deadline for applications is the same as for registering at the conference: April 16th. After receiving all the applications the final election will be carried out by the Board of the PTF before end of May. Payment of the promised financial support will take place at the venue of the congress in Chiang Mai after handing in the registration confirmation and the travel tickets.

The PTF expect that it will be able to support about 5-10 young scientists for participation in the congress under the mentioned conditions. We hope that we can realise the attendance of young scientists and to contribute to the improvement in Animal Hygiene in their country and enhance the networking and exchange of scientific knowledge between scientists within our Society of Animal Hygiene.

Board of the Professor Tielen Foundation (PTF)