

Dear Colleagues,

We have received from ISA Secretariat new rules and procedures for allocating financial support for participants to attend the XVII ISA World Congress of Sociology, July 11-17, 2010, Gothenburg, Sweden.

New Rules:

1. RC21 is responsible for allocating grant(s) to person(s) selected by its Board, following the criteria established by the ISA.
2. Applications for a financial support will be sent by the participants directly to the RC21 Program Coordinators by **January 31, 2010**.

One can apply for a grant only to one RC/WG/TG.

ISA Secretariat will advise RC/WG/TG if someone has applied to/been recommended by/more than one group for the various types of grants.

3. RC21 will select candidates and allocate the funds available to our group.
A backup list of potential grant receivers shall also be prepared to be used in case somebody cancels his/her participation or has been allocated a grant by another RC/WG/TG.
4. A list of selected individuals and amounts recommended shall be sent by RC21 to ISA Secretariat isa@isa-sociology.org before **March 1, 2010**, for verification and posting at the ISA website.
5. Grants will be paid directly by the ISA to the selected individuals.

Type of grants

Two categories of grants have been established for active participants in the RC21 program:

1. **Travel/accommodation grants** for individual members of the ISA in good standing coming from the developing countries (category B or C) and who play an active role in the Congress programme either as a session chair/organiser or a paper giver.

Each RC/WG/TG will be allocated an amount - according to the following scale.

Number of ISA members Amount in Euro
as of December 2009

Over 150 members	1,050
101-150 members	735
85-100 members	630
70-84 members	525
55-69 members	420

40-54 members	315
25-39 members	210

2. Registrations grants allocated to the RC21 to subsidise the participation of paper givers.

We may recommend candidates for registration grants as follows: the maximum total amount will not exceed the cost of early registration fees for one category A ISA Regular member (275 euro) or two category B ISA regular members (2x130=260 euro) or three category C ISA regular members (3x85=285 euro).

If students (or any other membership category with discounted fee) are recommended, the same ratio 1:2:3 applies - that is no more than one category A member may be recommended and no more than 2 category B members. In that case, the maximum amount to be allocated will be 285 euro. Within these constraints, it could, however, be possible to recommend more than 3 individuals.

Who is eligible

1. For travel/accommodation grant

Individual members of the ISA in good standing (i.e. having paid their individual membership fees) coming from developing countries (listed in economies B and C on the congress registration form) and who play an active role in the Congress program either as a session chair or a paper giver.

2. For registration grant

Individual members of the ISA in good standing (i.e. having paid their individual membership fees) and who play an active role in the Congress program either as a session chair or a paper giver.

Announcement for participants

Guidelines for submitting application for a grant

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2. What will the grants be?

The grants can be allocated for one or more of the following items:

- * Congress registration fee (available also for economy A).
- * Airfare (in full or in part).
- * Accommodation (in full or in part).

3. How to apply?

One can apply for a grant only to RC21.

A letter of application shall be sent before January 31, 2010 to Kuniko Fujita (fujitak@msu.edu) and Fernando Diaz Orueta (fernando.diaz@ua.es), the Program Coordinators of the RC21 where a paper will be presented.

4. Decisions

The Board of RC21 will review all applications and recommend the allocation of available funds. A list of the selected individuals will be posted at the ISA website by mid- March 2010, so that all successful applicants can register to the Congress before May 4, 2010, the deadline for early registration.