TSRU meeting 2016 - Financial support for participants mainly from low-and middle-income countries

Offer
The Tuberculosis Surveillance Research Unit (TSRU) is pleased to offer a limited number grants for participants at the 41st TSRU meeting held at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and Hygiene (LSHTM) in London from 4 through 6 April 2016. The grant covers travel, accommodation and visa costs and registration fees.

Eligibility and admission criteria
The grant is intended for individuals involved in tuberculosis research who submit an abstract for presentation who would be unable to attend the TSRU meeting without financial assistance. Priority is given to residents in and nationals of low- and middle-income countries according to the World Bank (http://data.worldbank.org/about/country-and-lending-groups#Lower_middle_income).

The grant can be only admitted when a submitted abstract has been positively evaluated and selected for presentation at the TSRU meeting.

How to apply
The applicants have to submit online:
- their abstract following the guidelines available from: (I have only a pdf, no link yet)
- the conference registration form available from: https://www.aanmelder.nl/tsru2016/subscribe
- a motivation letter of about one DIN A page (~400 words lengths) referring to their anticipated scientific contribution to the meeting and plans to apply and share knowledge gained at the TSRU meeting
- one letter of support from a or a supporting institution or peer/supervisor

This call for application is open until 16 January 2016. Applicants will be notified about the result of the evaluation by mid-February 2016 together with the results on the abstract.

Selection criteria
The members of the TSRU scientific committee will review the applications. Only complete applications of eligible individuals will be considered. Among these, the main criterion for selection is the scientific quality of the contribution. Priority is given to residents in and nationals of low- and middle-income countries (see above, eligibility criteria). Only one individual per institute will be selected.

Responsibilities for grant holders
The successful applicant is requested
- to communicate with the TSRU secretariat to coordinate travel arrangements prior to the meeting
- to take full responsibility for travel requirements to the United Kingdom (visa arrangements, validity of passport)
• to provide a brief write-up (~200 words) within one month after the meeting describing what they have learnt at the TSRU meeting and how they intend to disseminate the knowledge
• to take full responsibility for his/her own safety, including appropriate travel insurance.

Disclaimer
The grant can only be permitted together with the invitation to present an abstract.
Should any of the requirements not be fulfilled, the award may be revoked and repayable to TSRU and the candidate is not eligible for any future applications for grants.

The TSRU takes no responsibility for travel arrangements made prior to the selection of successful applicants or independently from the TSRU secretariat.

Contact
For further questions please contact the TSRU secretariat: tsru@kncvtbc.org