
Association News

Providing travel assistance for young WPSA members and students to participate in regional and global WPSA Conferences

The Association has funds set aside for a limited number of travel grants. These are to provide international travel assistance for YOUNG WPSA members (both scientists and poultry producers) from developing countries and STUDENTS from developed countries to attend and participate in regional and global WPSA conferences.

Application conditions

- Applications must be submitted at least three months prior to the meeting. If a scientific paper or poster is the basis for the application, this need not have been accepted at the time of application but it will eventually must be formally accepted before funds are disbursed
- Maximum age of the applicant is 40 years at the time of application.
- Applicants must have been a member of WPSA for at least six months at the time of application.
- No member may receive more than two Travel Grants.
- Successful applicants will receive the funds electronically AFTER the meeting on receipt of a copy of the airline ticket.
- Incomplete or late submissions will NOT be considered.

Application form must be accompanied by:

1. *Either*
A copy of the submitted abstract.

Or

One typed page clearly outlining how you propose to network at the meeting. Describe the feasibility of your plan and what you hope to gain. Possibilities for the plan could include names of individuals you plan to interview or conference attendees you plan to meet who share similar interests to your own. Networking plans must be made in advance and must involve individuals with whom you are not already acquainted.

2. Budget request and justification (one page). You must include the cost of economy rate travel, food and lodging. Conference registration fees and dues will NOT be funded.
3. Letter of recommendation from a well-known member of your WPSA Branch stating why you are a worthy candidate to receive a Travel Grant.
4. Short *Curriculum Vitae* and photo.

The completed application form, abstract or networking proposal, budget, *Curriculum Vitae* with photo and recommendation letter should be sent by e-mail to wpsa@xs4all.nl or roel.mulder@wpsa.com or by fax to: +31 207 508 941.

If you do not have access to e-mail or fax you can send your application to:

Dr R.W.A.W. Mulder, PO Box 31, 7360 AA Beekbergen, The Netherlands

WPSA Website: www.wpsa.com

The WPSA website provides much valuable information about the organisation and activities of the Association, its regional

federations and country branches. In addition there are regularly updated news reports from branch meetings, conferences and symposia

organised by the specialist Working Groups, as well as a calendar of future events.

In order to keep it regularly updated, the Association welcomes information and pictures from Branches, Regional Federations and Working Groups concerning activities of

the various WPSA organisations, as well as news about appointment of officers and members.

Please send your information to Mrs D.M. Kleverwal, e-mail wpsa@xs4all.nl.

WPSA Speakers Bureau Fostering local and regional conferences in the poultry sciences

During the 34th meeting of the Board of WPSA on August 20, 2000 in Montreal, Canada it was recognised that expertise in several areas of poultry science and production in low income countries is often very limited, and WPSA branches in these countries often do not have sufficient financial resources to fund overseas speakers.

To address this problem, the Board created a Speakers' Bureau to assist branches in low income countries to cover the travel costs of expert international speakers. This measure is consistent with the key objective of WPSA to encourage and facilitate liaison among research scientists and educators, and between those in research and education and those working in the many diverse sectors of the poultry industry. Under the Speakers' Bureau scheme, WPSA will pay only the cost of air travel (lowest economy class). All other expenses such as local travel and accommodation are to be paid by the organizing Branch(es). WPSA will not pay any honorarium to speakers.

Given the high cost of international air travel it is important that optimum value be obtained from this expenditure by WPSA. This can be achieved by insisting that the visiting speaker provides more than just one paper at a conference. The visiting speaker could contribute in a variety of ways, e.g., present a second paper on a related topic, conduct a workshop for graduate students, have small group or one-on-one interaction, especially with students, visit industry groups, visit university groups, etc.

Unless the Branch (or group of Branches) can pay all the speakers' costs itself, a speaker should NOT be invited until approval of Speakers' Bureau funds is made by the WPSA Executive Committee. The Branch(es) should not assume that approval will be given until so advised by the WPSA Secretary.

Where a Branch or a group of Branches wish to apply for Speakers Bureau assistance, there are certain conditions which must be met:

Application conditions

Application must be made using the WPSA Speakers' Bureau application form.

Application must be submitted at least 2 months prior to the meeting.

The speaker must contribute more to the meeting and/or branch than just presenting one paper.

Following approval, the speaker or the local Branch will be reimbursed by the WPSA Treasurer after the meeting.

A maximum of 2 speakers will be sponsored from the Speakers' Bureau per meeting.

The Branch(es) must be up-to-date with their membership payment.

Full details and application forms can be obtained from the WPSA secretariat (wpsa@xs4all.nl) or you can download the application forms from the WPSA website (www.wpsa.com).

The completed application forms should be sent by e-mail to wpsa@xs4all.nl or by fax to: +31 207 508 941

Foundation for Promoting Poultry Science Stichting Bevordering Plumveewetenschappen

The XIX World's Poultry Congress, held in September 1992 in Amsterdam, was financially successful. This outcome was, to a large extent, due to the contributions received from the 16 main sponsors and over 2500 participants. The terms of reference of the Congress Organizing Foundation required that any credit balance that resulted after all liabilities had been met should be made available to the Dutch Branch of WPSA as initiator of the organization of the Congress. As a result, a Foundation for Promoting Poultry Science (Stichting Bevordering Plumveewetenschappen) was founded. The general objective of this foundation are "to promote the developments and propagation of poultry science in WPSA-structures, and specifically:

1. the stimulation of international congresses and the promotion of participation in these events, and
2. the support of initiative having the objective of establishing WPSA-branches in countries which do not yet have them".

Individuals and organizations may apply for financial support for appropriate WPSA

activities such as conferences, congresses and symposia. Applications for financial support of conferences, congresses and symposia should be forwarded through the local WPSA Branch.

The Foundation has a particular interest in assisting in the process of establishing new WPSA branches and therefore supports these branches by covering for three years part of the membership fees. Individuals and organizations may apply for financial support by contacting Ir H. Hupkes, Odijkerweg 37, NL-3972 NE Driebergen, The Netherlands, e-mail: h.hupkes@zonnet.nl. An application form will be send on request.

The Board of directors of the Foundation meets three or four times a year. In case of requests for financial assistance to attend conferences, congresses and symposia, applications should be received by the secretary at least 3 months before the meeting.

Application forms should be filled out completely and can be send through e-mail and fax. An original application form should be send by regular mail.

It is the Boards policy not to fund individual applicants more than 2 times.

Online Journal subscription for WPSA members

The World's Poultry Science Journal has been available to subscribers on-line for the past three years. As a result of a change in our publishing partners (the on-line edition will be available from Cambridge University Press instead of CABI) and the work of a small sub-committee appointed at the 2005 WPSA Board meeting, members will have the option of receiving the Journal on-line instead of the print edition.

The system will be upgraded to permit searching of references, tracing citations etc. with a full range of electronic facilities.

The print version will continue to be the normal method for receiving the Journal. **if you wish to receive the on-line version instead, you must indicate this by completing the form on the WPSA website (www.wpsa.com).**

Most of the content of the Journal will now be included in the on-line edition with the exception of the advertisements. We will be developing a new page in the on-line version where all of our Gold and Silver sponsors will be identified, and provide direct links to their company websites.

E-mail WPSA Newsletter

WPSA has introduced a new version of the WPSA Newsletter that will be e-mailed to individual members, on request. To receive

this, please subscribe to the e-mail Newsletter on the website (www.wpsa.com).

World's Poultry Science Journal – Digital Archive

Access from the first issue in 1945 until 2003 online – a total of 240 issues!

Volumes 1 – 59 of World's Poultry Science Journal are now available on Cambridge Journals Online. The archive is fully searchable by keyword and author; abstracts can be saved and e-mailed, full text articles printed and bibliographic details exported into reference management software. Perpetual Access is available for a one-off fee of just £500/\$995*.

For further information, or to purchase the WPSJ Digital Archive, please e-mail jnlsales@cambridge.org.

*For those who do not subscribe to the current volume, there is an additional annual maintenance fee of £45/85, payable from the second year of the deal.

www.journals.cambridge.org/WPS

Rewarding Cooperation Between Kuwait and Turkish Branch

The past president of WPSA, Prof. Dr. Ruveyde Akbay, visited Kuwait between February 12-16 2012 on behalf of the invitation extended by Dr. Afaf Al-Nasser, President of WPSA Kuwait Branch and the head of the poultry group at KISR. The five day programme began on February 12 with an introductory meeting that included the members of the WPSA Kuwait Branch: Dr. Afaf Al-Nasser, Dr. Mafdy Mashaly, Dr. Abduameer Al-Saffar, Dr. Hanan Al-Khalaifa, Ms. Mariam Albahouh, Ms. Faten Khalil, Ms. Gehan Rageb and Mr. Hossam Mustafa. Discussions then went on to explore new ideas on information dissemination within the Kuwaiti poultry sector and the strengthening of co-operation among them. The group met with representatives from several important poultry companies and exchanged valuable information and insights. President of Branch, Dr. Afaf Al-Nasser also informed about the new avian research centre. Dr. Akbay gave a presentation on 'The important role of research and WPSA in advancing the poultry

industry in Kuwait'. Dr. Akbay highlighted the establishment of working relationships between Kuwaiti and international scientific institutes and organisations and emphasised the role and potential of the Kuwait Branch of WPSA to realise this aim.

The visit concluded with an agreement to strengthen the relationship between the branches of WPSA Kuwait and Turkey and enhance their role within the WPSA. Furthermore, the group decided to organise an international conference on the subject of 'The Situation of Poultry in the Middle-Eastern and African Countries, which will be a joint collaboration between the two WPSA branches. The time and venue of this conference will be determined according to future commitments, but may be possibly scheduled for October 2013 in Antalya, Turkey.

*Prof. Dr. Ruveyde Akbay
President of the WPSA Turkish Branch
Past President of WPSA*

Branch News

Algeria

The Algerian branch will hold its Second National Symposium on Poultry Science (IIème Symposium National des Sciences Avicoles) on 17 - 18 October 2012 in Batna, Algeria. This symposium will be organised by the University of Batna in collaboration with the Algerian branch of WPSA (Association Algerienne des Sciences Avicoles). This event will gather research and professional individuals from the poultry sector, and the official languages of the symposium will be French and Arabic. The following scientific topics will be included in the programme: poultry biosecurity, health and environment, feed and nutrition, poultry products and food safety, as well as breeding and genetics. Further details are available on the following web site: <http://inst-va.univ-batna.dz>. For any additional information, please feel free to contact us by E-mail at: wpsa-dz@live.fr.

ALLOUI Nadir, Branch President and BENNOUNE Omar, Branch General Secretary

Nigeria

The Nigerian Branch has planning underway for the 4th Nigeria International Poultry Summit that will be held on 17-21 February, 2013. The theme for the conference will be 'Food security through innovative technologies in poultry production'.

For further details contact Dr. A. O. Fafiolu at: fafiolu2000@yahoo.com, or

Prof. Daisy Eruvbetine at: dayeruv@gmail.com.

South Korea

The South Korean branch is currently planning the 10th Asia Pacific Poultry Conference that will be held on Jeju Island, Korea in 2014. Jeju Island is a popular vacation resort and an elegant UNESCO World Heritage site that is famous for its spectacular view of the ocean and its well-appointed accommodation. Dr. Jae Yong Han was recently elected as the new President of the Korean Society of

Poultry Science and WPSA South Korean Branch.

Dr. Gwonhwa Song, Secretary, WPSA South Korean Branch

Spain

The Spanish branch will host its 49th WPSA Symposium on October 4-5 in Bellaterra (Barcelona). The details for the Symposium will be placed on the branch web page in the near future. Juan Antonio Játiva, Secretaria AECA-WPSA

Sri Lanka

The Sri Lankan branch took part as an invited group in the ILDEX Exhibition in Bangkok from 8th -9th February 2012 at Queen Sirikit National Convention Centre, Bangkok. The branch had a booth for initial publicity of their intended international poultry show in March 2013.

A group of 21 Sri Lankan members participated at the Bangkok show. The group included veterinarians serving the poultry industry, farmers and executive committee members. To update their knowledge on quality assurance of chicken, the group visited a leading government accredited laboratory where samples of meat are tested for quality certification required for export. The participants also visited a farm and a cooperative centre. A professor from Kasetsart University of Bangkok gave an update on the measures that the Thailand poultry industry is taking in order to control Avian Influenza in Thailand.

Togo

The Togolese branch of the World Poultry Science Association, in collaboration with the Laboratory of Poultry Science (University of Lome) and the Vlaamse Interuniversitaire Raad (VLIR) Own Initiative Project will conduct a three day seminar from 22nd to 24th May 2012. The theme of this seminar will be 'Relationships between poultry production and feeding, management or incubation conditions in hot and wet climatic

zones' and will take place at the University of Lome.

All WPSA members, those involved in the poultry industry and researchers are invited to attend the seminar. International participants from Ghana, Benin, Nigeria, Belgium and The Netherlands are expected to attend the seminar.

The main aim of this seminar is to strengthen the WPSA-Togo branch and promote the poultry industry in Sub-Saharan African countries. The second purpose of the seminar is to present six years of results from VLIR projects involved in research, extension and capacity building, including details of subsequent spin-off and business opportunities from these projects. Beside the project results, several experienced speakers drawn from both international and national academia and the poultry industry will be on hand to discuss some relevant topics related to the theme of the seminar. International and invited speakers will highlight and discuss new developments in feeding management and adapted incubation conditions in hot and wet climatic zones.

Ukraine

The theme 'Actual problems of the modern poultry industry' has been selected for the XIII Ukrainian Poultry Conference and Exhibition. The conference will be held in Alushta, Crimea, Ukraine, 17-20 September 2012, the both local and international delegates expected. For information, E-mail: ionov.i.a@mail.ru

The V Ukrainian Conference on poultry egg incubation, focussing on 'Best practices and advanced technology of poultry egg incubation', will be held in the Eastern city of Kharkiv, at the Hotel Mir, Lenin Prospect, 27A, December 3-5, 2012.

For information: E-mail: agroimpex.borki@mail.ru

Tymofii Tkachyk, Secretary of the WPSA Ukrainian Branch

USA

The USA Branch submitted a bid in late December to host a World's Poultry Congress in the USA during the year 2020. Dr. Don Conner from Auburn University headed up the Bid Committee, and he and a couple of other committee members will help host a Congress site visit in the near future from the WPSA Board.

The WPSA-USA Board held its mid-year meeting in conjunction with the 2012 International Poultry Exposition in Atlanta, Georgia in late January. The branch will again offer travel grants to the 2012 World's Poultry Congress that will be held on August 5-8 in Salvador, Brazil. The grants will be available to WPSA-USA members who were members in 2011 and who are making a presentation at the Congress. Information regarding the travel grants will be sent to the Branch members soon.

The Branch will conduct an election in the near future to replace two members of the current USA Branch Board, as Sarge Bilgili's and Paul Patterson's terms will expire in January, 2013. Bob Buresh will also be completing his term as the Poultry Science Association's appointed Board member. The new President of PSA will appoint another PSA member to replace Bob.

The USA and Canadian Branches will again be sponsoring the WPSA lecture at the annual Poultry Science Association meetings that will be held at the University of Georgia on 9-12, July, 2012. Details are currently being finalised, and will be included in the June Newsletter.