



AFIR-ERM Bursary Policy

1. The Bursary Program will apply to every Colloquium and ICA (seminar and workshop presenters are not eligible for bursaries).
2. The Section Board shall be flexible in awarding bursaries; however, preference will be given to candidates:
 - a. who are members of the AFIR-ERM Section;
 - b. who are academics or students (especially from public universities);
 - c. who are from developing countries;
 - d. who have not received AFIR-ERM bursaries for previous Colloquia or Congresses
3. The program will be limited to award up to 5 bursaries for each Colloquium or Congress and the whole program cannot exceed the AFIR-ERM budget for bursaries.
4. The total amount of the bursary awarded to a candidate should include in all cases registration fees. An extra financial support for accommodation and transportation fare could be included if budget allows so and always considering that:
 - a. The maximum amount for each bursary should be limited to \$3,000 CAD
 - b. The amount awarded may include -- among other factors -- the total funds available, the number of candidates, the Gross National Income (GNI) per capita in the candidate's country and the location of the Colloquium or Congress
5. Candidates should be the authors of a paper or presentation that has been accepted by the Scientific Committee of the Colloquium or Congress.
6. Reimbursement of the extra financial support for accommodation and transportation will only occur after the event has taken place. A bursary reimbursement form must be submitted to the Section Treasurer within 30 days after the end of the event. Proper, supporting receipts must accompany the claim and should be submitted by email.
7. Section Board members are not eligible for bursaries.
8. Bursary recipients will be recommended by the AFIR-ERM Scientific Committee and ratified by whole Section Board after evaluating previous conditions and the quality of the paper or presentation.

9. Bursary decisions shall be made at least 30 days in advance of the Colloquium or Congress. The Treasurer of the Section will confirm by that date the total amount to be spent in the program.

Expectation of bursary recipients (this to be communicated to the recipients):

1. Give a webinar of his or her presentation;
2. continue to be member or become a member of the AFIR-ERM Section for at least one more year after the Colloquium or Congress was held;
3. promote AFIR-ERM Section in his or her local Association, University and/or Company;
4. write a brief report of this promotional activities one year after the Colloquium or Congress was held.