

AFN 2008 Conference Scholarship Application

The AFN (Australasian Facilitators' Network) supports the mission of the IAF (International Association of Facilitators) to promote, support and advance the art and practice of professional facilitation through methods exchange, professional growth, practical research, collegial networking and support services.

An important means of achieving this is via the annual AFN Conference – one of the many global IAF conferences.

The AFN is pleased to offer a number of scholarships – especially for, but not limited to, international and inter-regional participants, including voluntary and community-based practitioners, students, and others who may otherwise have difficulty in attending the AFN Conference.

Eligible persons include those who meet any of the following 'disadvantage' criteria:

- people who are on a low income
- people who live a great distance from the conference venue
- people who are only just starting out as facilitators
- facilitators who operate primarily in the non-profit sector
- Indigenous Australians or Māori people, particularly those working in remote locations
- persons from developing countries or countries in transition in south-east Asia or the Pacific.

In most cases, scholarship support covers full conference registration costs only, and does not include the cost of transport, pre- or post-conference workshops, accommodation, and other personal expenses.

Some applicants may be eligible for a higher level of support. This will be assessed on an individual basis, drawing on information provided in the application process.

A scholarship holder may be requested to assist during the conference with aspects of administration or event management. Conditions may be imposed on the scholarship provision.

Application Process

- 1) Complete your answers to the questions and sections in the Application Form
- 2) Copy and paste your application into an email and send to afn@markbutz.com
- 3) Keep a copy of your application (including this information) for your records.

Deadline for application is **29 June 2008**.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome by 31 July.

Applicants must acknowledge acceptance of a scholarship and any conditions by **14 August 2008**

Applications will be considered by a panel drawn from the Conference Organising Team.

Application Form

1. **Name**
 2. **Mailing address**
 3. **Telephone**
 4. **Email**
 5. **Organisation**
 6. **Describe why you believe you are eligible under any of the applicable 'disadvantage' criteria:**
 - on a low income
 - living a great distance from the conference venue
 - only just starting out as a facilitator
 - facilitator who operates primarily in the non-profit sector
 - Australian or New Zealand Indigenous person working in remote locations
 - from a developing country or country in transition in south-east Asia or the Pacific
 7. **Describe your current facilitation work**
 8. **Why do you want to attend the conference?**
 9. **How will you share with others what you learn at the conference?**
 10. **How are you willing to share your talents and help out at the conference?**
 11. **What additional support (beyond payment of registration) would it take to enable you to attend the conference? e.g. assistance with travel costs and/or accommodation (Please include a \$ figure)**
 12. **Where did you learn the language to be used at the conference (if it is different from your own)?**
 13. **Do you have a referee who can support your claims of 'disadvantage' outlined in this application, or who can support the value to be gained by your attendance?
If so, their name, and email and telephone contacts:**
 14. **Are there any special requirements to enable your attendance?
e.g. to address a physical disability, language issues etc.**
 15. **What else do you think we should know about you?**
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