IFSO APC SCHOLARSHIPS 2025

IFSO APC offers **3 Scholarships** to young members from countries whose Bariatric Surgery Societies are members of IFSO APC and who show strong interests, initial accomplishments and potential for future career development in bariatric surgery and/or other obesity related specialties.

One Scholarship out of the three will usually be awarded to an IH member.

The principal purpose of the Scholarship is to support attendance at the IFSO APC Meeting. Each Scholarship offers a stipend of: **1.000,00 USD** + the registration at the Meeting

The applications must be sent in writing to IFSO Secretariat (info@ifso.com) by November 15th 2024.

Regulations:

- Applicants must be IFSO APC Members in good standing, graduates of schools of medicine and/or other associated disciplines (I.H. members), not over 40 years (at the time of the application)
- Applicants must be in, or planning to be, in bariatric surgical or other bariatric surgery related specialties practice or training (including fellowships/other scholarships)
- Applicants must be in their training period
- Applicants whose careers are in the developing stage are deemed more suitable than those who are serving in senior academic appointments
- Applicants may only be awarded this prize once
- Successful applicants must provide a written report to IFSO APC within 2 months of the completion of the IFSO APC Meeting.

The Secretariat will inform all applicants of the result in a timely way by email.

Requirements for Application

Applicants should apply in writing to IFSO secretariat. All applications must be supported by the following 5 documents:

1. A structured one page CV giving

- Name
- date of birth
- demographic data & personal details qualifications
- training
- employment history
- current post

No photos or title pages should be included.

2. A one page (only) list of publications* (not mandatory for I.H. applicants)

This should separate:

- Bariatric related publications
- Other publications

Where one page is insufficient, the applicant should provide the total number of publications over their career as well as the publications in the last 5 years and 5 most significant publications.

- 3. A one page (maximum) statement by the Applicant covering:
 - Overall future career aim in bariatric surgery
 - What is the next step in career development
 - Why the scholarship will help the Applicant in this
 - How the scholarship will help contribute to the development of bariatric surgery in the Applicant's home country / institute
- 4. A letter from the Head of Department or professional mentor describing the Applicant's
 - ability
 - current level of training

- proposed career development
- leadership potential