

October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**RE: Travel assistance for Emerging Country Members to attend ISAAC Conference 2018 on Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia**

ISAAC is committed to supporting members from emerging countries to attend our biennial conferences. We believe this opportunity helps people build their networks and learn about AAC internationally.

We are pleased to announce that ISAAC has some funding available to support members from emerging AAC countries to attend the [18<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference of ISAAC](#) on Gold Coast, Australia, July 21<sup>st</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

While we cannot provide 100% funding for every member from countries where AAC is in an emerging state, we will evaluate all submissions and hopefully provide some assistance to a number of people.

If you would like to put in a submission for ISAAC funding, Please complete and submit the attached "Travel Assistance to Attend ISAAC Conference Application Form" and email it back to Franklin Smith, ISAAC Executive Director, at [franklin@isaac-online.org](mailto:franklin@isaac-online.org) by **15<sup>th</sup> December 2017**. We will let you know the outcome of your application by **9<sup>th</sup> February 2018** and what funds may be available to you. Successful applicants may be required to provide a short summary of the impact that the ISAAC conference has made and how it has helped you in your goals of advancing AAC in your country.

If your application is successful but you find you are not able to attend the conference, please let Franklin know by **28<sup>th</sup> February 2018** so the money can be reallocated.

The conference will provide opportunities to meet, network, and share ideas with other people from Emerging AAC Nations. Many of the conference presentations will focus specifically on developing and enhancing strategies to further develop AAC in Emerging Nations.

We invite members from emerging countries who feel they will actively work towards the ongoing development of AAC in their countries to apply.

Looking forward to receiving your application,

Kind regards,

Sarah Yong  
Chair, BUILD Committee

**Travel Assistance to Attend ISAAC Conference**  
**APPLICATION FORM**  
**People from Emerging AAC Countries**

- The ISAAC BUILD Committee allocates the funds to support the attendance of people from emerging AAC countries at the ISAAC conference.
- Preference will be given to people who are presenting posters or papers at the conference.

***Please note that limited funds are available and that you will be required to raise funds on your own as well.***

**Application process:** Please complete all sections of the application form and return the form to Franklin Smith at: [franklin@isaac-online.org](mailto:franklin@isaac-online.org) by **15<sup>th</sup> December 2017**. You will be notified by **9<sup>th</sup> February 2018** about the funds available to you.

1. If for any reason you receive funding and are not able to attend the conference, you must advise the ISAAC International office immediately or latest by **28<sup>th</sup> February 2018** so that funds can be reallocated to others.
2. Please check with your travel agent about travel visas to the conference location.

**APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

ISAAC ID# (identification number):

Applicant First name:

Last Name:

Street address:

City:

County/Province/State:

Postal Code/Zip:

Country:

Email:

**PLEASE INDICATE THE FOLLOWING (in CAD dollars):**

**A. Expenses**

1. Air/ground travel
2. Accommodation
3. Meals
4. Registration fees
5. Personal Attendant Services
6. Any other related expenses

**Total expenses:**

**B. Whether other sources of funding are being sought**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

**C. The reasons why you wish to attend the ISAAC conference**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

**D. Your occupation**

**E. Name and email contact information for two (2) referees**

Referee No. 1	Name	Email
Referee No. 2	Name	Email

F. **Indicate formal involvement** (as a member or leader) in any organization for people with disabilities in your country.

G. **Have you attended an ISAAC Conference?**

**Yes, indicate year(s)**

**No**

H. **Indicate if you received funding from the ISAAC BUILD (previously called Emerging AAC Nations Committee) in the past**

**YES**

Year(s) you received the funds

How you utilized your participation to promote AAC in your country

**NO**

I. **Please state two action points/ goals that you hope to achieve on your return from the ISAAC conference**