IAFP Travel Award
for Food Safety Professionals in a Country with a Developing Economy

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Objective: To provide travel funds for food safety professionals working full-time in the field of food safety in a country with a developing economy* to attend the Annual Meeting of the International Association for Food Protection.

For 2020, it is our pleasure to support the travel for three qualified food safety professionals working in a country with a developing economy* to attend IAFP 2020, to be held August 2–5 in Cleveland, Ohio. This award is sponsored by IAFP and the IAFP Foundation.

Application Deadline: February 18, 2020

Criteria for Applicants

- Hold employment for a minimum of two (2) years as a food safety professional in a related profession located in a country with a developing economy* (related professions may include positions in the fields of research, education, industry, government service or in the private sector).
- Applicant must be a non-student at the time of application and during the IAFP Annual Meeting (when receiving the award).
- Submit an application package (four-page maximum) by February 18, 2020 that includes:
  1) Completed Travel Award for Food Safety Professionals in a Country with a Developing Economy Application Form
  2) Statement of Need (one page maximum) explaining:
     ▪ Your specific area(s) of interest in food safety and quality
     ▪ Your career accomplishments (or aspirations)
     ▪ Why you wish to attend the IAFP Annual Meeting and how you will use the information obtained
  3) Letter of recommendation or support (one page maximum) from a superior, colleague or co-worker (cannot be from a current IAFP Board Member)
  4) Related activities and/or work information to include (one page maximum):
     ▪ Educational background and professional associations
     ▪ Any scholarships and/or research grants received
     ▪ Recognition of achievements
     ▪ Other relevant supporting information

*Countries with Developing Economies are those determined by the World Bank at: http://www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/developing_country
Additional Information for Application
- Applications must be submitted as one PDF (four pages maximum) to travel@foodprotection.org. Please follow directions carefully to avoid errors. Applications received by email directly to the IAFP office or by mail will not be accepted. If you have any questions about this award or the required documents, please contact Susan Smith at ssmith@foodprotection.org.
- Once you have submitted your complete application, you will receive an acknowledgment of receipt from Susan within 48 hours. (If you do not, please contact Susan.) Reminder: Application deadline is Tuesday, February 18, 2020.
- Applicants will be notified of the final decision no later than April 3, 2020.
- Recipients of this travel award are eligible to re-apply after two years.
- IAFP Membership is not required.

Travel Guidelines
Recipient Responsibilities
- Travel Award for Food Safety Professionals in a Country with a Developing Economy is not transferable to another person.
- Recipient is responsible for obtaining and payment for a visa to enter the United States (if required).
- Recipient will be responsible for making economy-fare airline travel arrangements. Recipient will book airfare one to two months before the meeting to ensure the lowest economy fare available. Please plan to arrive in time for attendance at the 5:30 p.m. Welcome Reception on Saturday, August 1.
- Receipts for airfare and transfers should be submitted electronically to IAFP for reimbursement after completion of conference (reimbursement cannot be conducted onsite at IAFP 2020). (NOTE: Reimbursement will include an allowance for out-of-pocket meals. Detailed instructions will be provided at a later date.)
- Recipient is asked to submit a written summary of their experiences at the Annual Meeting by August 21, 2020 for publication in Food Protection Trends.

IAFP Responsibilities
- IAFP 2020 registration will be made by and paid directly by IAFP.
- Hotel reservation (for single or double occupancy) will be made and paid directly by IAFP. The reservation will be made in recipient’s name for arrival on Friday, July 31 with departure on Thursday, August 6. Please note that the hotel may ask you for upfront cash or an active credit card for incidentals.

Questions regarding the reimbursement policy for the IAFP Travel Award for Food Safety Professionals in a Country with a Developing Economy should be directed to David Tharp, Executive Director.