Australian Institute of Management WA \$10,000 Aspire Conference Scholarship



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The inaugural Australian Institute of Management WA (AIM WA) Aspire Conference Scholarship 2017 – run under the auspices of Perth Convention Bureau's Aspire Program – is an initiative that is open to all Western Australian staff and professional members of AIM WA. This annual Scholarship enables the recipient to broaden their knowledge, networks and further their professional development by attending an international conference. Upon their return to WA, the scholarship recipient will share knowledge gained and explore opportunities to attract international conferences to Western Australia.

What is the Australian Institute of Management WA Aspire Conference Scholarship?

The 2017 Australian Institute of Management WA Aspire Conference Scholarship is a \$10,000 grant awarded annually to an Australian Institute of Management WA employee/professional member to assist in their personal and professional development, through attendance at a relevant international conference.

How do I apply?

Simply research an international conference that has the potential to be staged in Western Australia and present a brief case as to why the conference should be held here.

What is the \$10,000 used for?

The scholarship covers air travel as well as accommodation and registration to a relevant conference to a maximum of \$10,000. Where relevant, it may also contribute to membership subscription costs.

Who funds the scholarship?

The award is proudly funded by PCB under its Aspire Program. PCB is responsible for marketing Western Australia both nationally and internationally as a conference destination. In fulfilling this role PCB assists individuals and organisations to bring their national and international conferences to the State. The Awards Program aims to raise the profile of individuals and their professional organisations, showcasing the ground breaking research and development being undertaken in our universities and ultimately resulting in conferences being secured for the State, delivering economic benefit to the wider community.





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Here's how to enter your submission

1. Tell us about yourself, your education, any research you are undertaking and associations you belong to *(maximum 200 words).*

2. Tell us about your association, your current role and length of time within the organisation and any achievement highlights (maximum 250 words).

3. Tell us about Australian leaders in your field of expertise or preferably, Western Australian leaders in the field **(maximum 500 words).**

4. Detail how you would use the \$10,000 funding if awarded the scholarship and highlight how you and your organisation would benefit **(maximum 200 words)**.

5. Interview. Short-listed applicants will be required to discuss their application with the judging panel (20 minute interview).

How your application is assessed

Applicants will be assessed against the selection criteria.

A panel comprising a representative from the Australian Institute of Management WA and the Perth Convention Bureau will undertake the judging. A shortlist of finalists will be required to attend a 20 minute interview. The successful applicant will be announced at a special function in May 2017.

Am I Eligible to Apply?

Entry is open to all staff and members of the Australian Institute of Management WA.

Conditions

The judging panel's decision is final. Applicants may request feedback on their performance after the winner has been announced. The winner will be required to produce receipts for expenditure incurred while attending their nominated course or conference. Recipients are required to agree to be included in publicity and future collateral for promotion of the PCB Aspire Award.

Application Deadline Applications for entries close on 31 March 2017



Previous Aspire Scholarship Winner

Dr Kylie Coulson

The ASPIRE grant will enable me to attend the World Congress in Engineering Asset Management (WCEAM) in Finland to bid to bring the Congress to Perth in 2017.

The WCEAM is now in its 10th year so it is well-established in the international engineering asset management community. The 2017 Congress will be an exciting opportunity for professionals and academics in the asset management field across the globe to experience Western Australia and all our beautiful and vast state has to offer.

I attended the first Congress at the Gold Coast in 2005 and it has grown and developed into a forum for showcasing leading edge crossdisciplinary research in managing large scale physical assets. I am a Board Member and Founding Fellow of the International Society for Engineering Asset Management that hosts the World Congress in Engineering Asset Management and it would be a great opportunity for me to be the local host of this prestigious event.

Take the next step and apply. Who knows where it could take you.

A wide range of assistance and advice is available to help you apply for this Scholarship. Contact Tracey Cinavas-Prosser (Director - Stakeholder Relations) at Perth Convention Bureau. Tracey is available to guide you through the application, answer any questions and explain the program further.

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