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To: Deans, Directors, Associate Deans, and Department Heads
From: Dr. Digvir Jayas, Vice-President (Research and International)
Re: Conference Sponsorship Program- Deadline: February 15, 2021 at 4:00pm

We are writing to initiate a “Call for Applications” in our three (3) cycles of competitions per Fiscal Year for the [Conference Sponsorship Program](#).

This cycle of competition will cover conferences in May, June, July and August of 2021.

The current call for proposals for Conference Sponsorship is open to **online** conferences only. In compliance with the current ban on university-related student travel, the call for proposals for Student Travel to Competitions will currently be on pause.

Please note that applicants can apply outside the normal application window identified in the current application requirements when:

- A competition is being held to “Award the Conference Host” (i.e., having “secured funds” is advantageous in an external application/bid to an organization to choose the University of Manitoba as the host location for its conference) and where it is necessary to have a decision regarding “secured funds” in order to apply for hosting such an event; or
- It is necessary to have a decision in time to apply for external agency matching funds to support the conference.

Conference sponsorship applications will be prioritized based on a weighted combination of exposure (i.e., International to U of M) and attendance. Priority consideration will also be given to applications where financial support is provided by both the Department Head and the Dean/Director.

Please find attached:

The Guidelines for the Conference Sponsorship Program and Student Travel Support to Competitions; and Faculty Application/Student Application forms as applicable.

Complete applications are to be sent electronically to conferencesponsorship@umanitoba.ca.