

Criteria for the Victoria Falls/Mosi-oa-Tunya Solidarity Fund

Adopted by the Board in October 2007, and amended in March 2011 and November 2022.

- 1 The purpose of the ICOMOS Victoria Falls/Mosi-oa-Tunya Solidarity Fund is to maximise the attendance at General Assemblies of ICOMOS so that they are genuinely representative and inclusive of the global membership of the organisation.
- 2 The Director General, together with the President of the Advisory Committee will take steps to encourage donations to the ICOMOS Victoria Falls/Mosi-oa-Tunya Solidarity Fund.
- 3 The National Committees will be reminded by the International Secretariat that any support to individuals not in their Committee to attend the General Assembly, should be channelled through the Victoria Falls/Mosi-oa-Tunya Fund.
- 4 The ICOMOS Victoria Falls/Mosi-oa-Tunya Solidarity Fund and any external grant support received will be administered together using a single Grants Committee and a consolidated list of criteria for allocation.

Grants Committee

- 5 The Board will decide on the composition of the Grants Committee at least 8 months before a General Assembly takes place, based on the following characteristics that (ref. RoP Article 133-6):
 - The membership reflects to the extent possible in a small group, the cultural and geographical diversity of ICOMOS,
 - All members are likely to be available and willing to accept the workload associated with the role,
 - At least one representative of the Scientific Council should be included as a member of the Grants Committee,
 - Members intending to stand for election to a position at the General Assembly should not participate in the Grants Committee (with the exception of the ex officio members),
 - The Treasurer-General and the President or Vice-President of the Advisory Committee should participate in the Grants Committee as ex officio members.
- 6 The Grants Committee will submit a report on its work to the Board and make recommendations as appropriate.

Criteria

- 7 The Grants Committee will select ICOMOS members to receive grants according to the following criteria:

Criteria for eligibility/ineligibility

- The grants are reserved for ICOMOS members from eligible countries (see list under item c).
- Only members from National Committees that are up to date with their 2022 fees at the time of submitting an application to the Grants Committee will be eligible.
- For members in countries where there is no National Committee yet, only members that are themselves up to date with their 2022 fees at the time of submitting an application to the Grants Committee will be eligible.
- Applications received from candidates in countries of the Asia Pacific region where there is no National Committee and who are not yet individual members of ICOMOS may be considered if the candidate has also submitted an application to become an ICOMOS individual member through the International Secretariat. For this purpose, the membership application form is available [here](#) and should be returned – with a CV and a cover letter – to the International Secretariat before 3 January 2023. By submitting the membership application form, the candidate commits to becoming an individual member of ICOMOS.
- Grants are open to all members with eligibility and not reserved for National Committee Presidents.

- In principle, only one grant per country will be given. If a National Committee has two candidates, the grant can be equally divided between the candidates in a joint decision of the National Committee and the Grants Committee. If sufficient funds are available – more than one grant per country may be considered.
- Bringing an accompanying person to the event will result in an immediate determination of no financial need. Should an accompanying person be brought despite having stated otherwise in the questionnaire, all funds will have to be refunded to the ICOMOS International Secretariat.
- Registering for/Undertaking post-GA tours or travel will result in an immediate determination of no financial need. Should such travel be undertaken despite having stated otherwise in the questionnaire, all funds will have to be refunded to the ICOMOS International Secretariat.

Candidates need to demonstrate

- Personal financial need,
- Clear understanding of benefits foreseen of attending the General Assembly,
- Personal involvement in ICOMOS National Committee, International Scientific Committee, Working Group or other ICOMOS activities,
- Their commitment to obtain a visa in time, should a visa be required,
- That all other parts of the cost of their participation are covered by themselves or by additional funding.

Preference will be given to

- Applicants who have not previously been supported to attend a General Assembly,
- Applicants from new or presently emerging National Committees,
- Applicants submitting abstracts for papers at the Scientific Symposium,
- Emerging Professionals,
- Applicants who are the representative of their National Committee in one of ICOMOS' International Scientific Committees or Working Groups
- Applicants from active National Committees (based on their Annual Report and fulfilment of the Dubrovnik-Valetta Principles, as well as on the record of attendance by the National Committee to previous General Assemblies and Symposia),
- Applicants from Indigenous communities,
- Applicants from countries with restricted official availability of foreign currency to travel abroad.

Unless there is a compelling reason not to do so, grant recipients are requested to allow publication of their name and expected to participate in acknowledgement functions or ceremonies for travel grant donors during the General Assembly.

The ICOMOS Board has decided to place a focus of the grants onto Emerging Professionals for a significant portion of the travel grants. A preference for Emerging Professionals will be applied in the selection of candidates for travel/attendance support for the 21st General Assembly in Sydney, Australia in August 2023.

Selection process

- 8 Each application received will be verified for completeness by the International Secretariat; the Grants Committee will consider only applications that are complete.
- 9 Applicants will be requested to present a budget for their participation at the General Assembly indicating the amount that they can contribute and those they may perceive from other sources. All applicants are supposed to register in time to benefit from the Early bird registration fee. The calendar for the application and selection process will be set to allow for this.
- 10 In allocating amounts to applicants, the Grants Committee offers grants depending on the location and costs of attending the General Assembly and Scientific Symposium. The amounts

of the grants will be proposed by the Director of the International Secretariat in consultation with the host Committee, based on the likely costs of participation in the General Assembly and Scientific Symposium.

- 11 All applicants will be informed of the Grants Committee's decisions according to the tentative schedule below. The Grants Committee's decisions are final.

5 February 2023	Deadline for submission of applications
Mid-March 2023	Notification of first tier beneficiaries of a grant
Late March 2023	Deadline for accepting the grant – lack of reply will result in loss of the grant
Early April 2023	Notification of second tier beneficiaries of a grant
Mid-April 2023	Deadline for accepting the grant – lack of reply will result in loss of the grant
31 May 2023	Deadline for Early bird registration

- 12 Applicants selected to receive support but unable to accept it due to unforeseen circumstances must notify the International Secretariat at once so that those funds may be redirected to meet other applicants' needs.
- 13 Information contained in the applications as well as the financial support given to individuals will be treated as confidential.

For 2023, candidates should send their application directly to the International Secretariat at GA2023-Grant@icomos.org by 5 February 2023.

Eligible National Committees having paid their membership dues up to and including 2022 at 02/12/2022.

Albania	India
Argentina	Indonesia
Armenia	Jordan
Azerbaijan	Kazakhstan
Belarus	Lebanon
Bolivia	Macedonia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Malaysia
Brazil	Mali
Bulgaria	Mauritius
Burkina Faso	Mexico
China	Moldavia
Costa Rica	Mongolia
Colombia	Montenegro
Comoros	Myanmar
Dominican Republic	Nepal
Georgia	Nigeria
Grenada	Pakistan
Guatemala	Palestine
Haiti	Peru
Honduras	Philippines

Russia
Senegal
Serbia
Syrian Arab Republic
Thailand

Tunisia
Turkey
Ukraine
Zambia

Potentially eligible National Committee provided that they pay their membership dues

Bangladesh
Côte d'Ivoire
Cuba

Iran
South Africa
Sri Lanka

ICOMOS individual members from places where there is no National Committee (or a Committee recently created*, under creation or reorganisation)

Algeria
Benin
Bhutan
Botswana
Brunei
Cayman Islands
Cambodia
Cameroon*
Central African Republic
Chad*
Democratic Republic of the Congo
Egypt
El Salvador
Ecuador
Eritrea
Ethiopia*
Ghana
Guyana
Iraq
Jamaica
Kenya
Kosovo
Kuwait
Libya
Malawi
Maldives
Morocco (current reorganisation of the National Committee)

Mozambique
Namibia
Netherlands Antilles
Nicaragua
Niger
North Korea
Paraguay
Pasifika (Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Nauru, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu)
Saint Lucia
Saint Kitts and Nevis
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Sierra Leone
Somalia
Sudan
Tanzania
Togo
Uganda
Uzbekistan
Venezuela (current reorganisation of the National Committee)
Vietnam
Yemen
Zimbabwe