

ISSN Award

Background and Objective

The ISSN Award was established in 2007 by the ISSN Governing Board, to support and encourage ISSN member countries encountering financial difficulties to participate in ISSN training sessions and meetings.

The objective of the award is to provide financial support to a country that is making a consistent effort to participate in ISSN activities that would enable them to attend a training session and/or ISSN meeting

Purpose of the award:

- Recognition of special efforts made by a country in the ISSN field
- Incentive to improve coverage of the ISSN register

Eligibility

- ISSN member countries (i.e., countries having officially joined the ISSN network) having made special efforts to accomplish their function within the ISSN network
- Application and designation of the person who would benefit from the award
- A member country which has already received an award may not reapply

The recipient must:

- Be responsible for ISSN activity in the country
- Read and speak English or French sufficiently well to participate in meetings or training
- Be a legal national from the awarded country
- Have a valid passport
- Be able to obtain an appropriate visa permitting legal entry to the country where the training session/meeting is to be held.

Selection and management

The selection is made by a panel of three members of the ISSN Governing Board. The award is administered by the ISSN International Centre which will review the applications with the award panel.

Applications

The applications must be accompanied by: the reasons for application, a detailed description of the ISSN activity and of the progress accomplished during the past 12 months in the country; a realistic budget for the travel and subsistence expenses ; a CV of the recipient.

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Key dates

2008 Application deadline: June 15th, 2008. Applications received after 15 June 2008 will not be considered.

2008 Award announcement: July 1st, 2008

Reporting

Within 2 months after the training session/meeting, the winner will submit to the ISSN IC a report describing the benefits drawn from participating in the training session/meeting, in a form suitable for publication on the ISSN IC web site.

Financial aspects

The award covers the round trip (airfare, coach class) travel costs from the recipient's country of residence to the meeting/training country/city, as well as the lodging and subsistence costs corresponding to the number of days of the training and/or meeting, with a maximum of 6 days and a maximum amount corresponding to the ISSN IC refunding rules (all-inclusive per diem amount).

The award does not provide for (and the recipient is responsible for) any other associated costs, such as insurance costs, passport, photo and visa costs, clothing, souvenirs, etc., and any costs other than those enumerated above.

The total amount of the award will be established by the ISSN International Centre. The successful ISSN national Centre must agree to accept the terms.

Limitations and liabilities

Participation in the award program is contingent upon the recipient being able to legally enter the meeting/training country and participate in the training/meeting sessions. By accepting the award, the award recipient assumes all risks for illness, injury (including death) or other mishap he or she may suffer during his or her presence in the meeting/training country and during travel to, from or within the training/meeting country or any other country. The ISSN IC and the Institution where the training/meeting are held shall have no liability of any type for any such occurrence. Note: the recipients are required to have health and other insurances as required by the training/meeting country at the time the training/meeting takes place.