

# **TICRA** Grant for Early Careers in Antennas and Propagation Visitor Scholars/Research Secondments

## 1. Scope

The Early Careers in Antennas and Propagation (ECAP) working group (WG) and TICRA aim to promote and support scholar visits/research secondments among ECAP community that are early career students and professionals on antennas and propagation. These visits are enriching to both visitors and host institutions, favouring knowledge build-up, networking and personal development. With this grant, excellent early careers can benefit from these exchanges with additional support to pursue their activities.

### 2. Eligibility and conditions

This grant is intended to members of the ECAP community, that are not part of the ECAP WG, and that comply with the following:

- Students and early career professionals, with their last academic degree completed within ten years.
- The purpose of the scholar visit/research secondment is related to EurAAP topics: antennas, propagation, electromagnetics and/or measurements.

The following conditions apply:

- ECAP WG members are not allowed to apply.
- Due to TICRA's internal policies, only academic and research institution exchanges will be supported, and these institutions should not have commercial links with TICRA.
- Up to 3000 Euros per grant<sup>1</sup>.
- Grant cannot be used for conferences to avoid conflict with other EurAAP grants.
- This grant is an additional financial support. The applicants should have main income during the exchange from their home/host institutions.
- Accepted use of grant:
  - Technical activities: purchase of project materials, manufacturing of prototypes, fees of publications, etc.
  - Personal costs: flights from/to home/host institutions, rental support, bureaucratic and administrative costs, etc.

<sup>1</sup> The amount received by the applicant could be lower than the one requested subject to the amount of high quality applications received.

#### 3. Application process

Call for grant applicants for 2024 will open 1<sup>st</sup> June and the deadline to submit applications is the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 at 23.59 pm.

Applicants will be requested to fill the Grant Application document and to submit the following to <u>ecapwg@euraap.org</u>:

- 1. Grant Application document Application form
- 2. Detailed CV
- 3. Motivation letter
- 4. Supporting letters from their home institution and host institution supervisors confirming this scholar visit/research secondment, describing the relevance of the research exchange and benefits for respective institutions/applicant.
- 5. Signed commitment form.

Applicants will be requested to sign a commitment form, in which they will agree to provide ECAP and TICRA with a short report after completion of the visit/secondment, providing details on the use of the grant and the resulting personal/professional benefits.

#### 6. Grant procedure

Applications will be evaluated by a committee of ECAP WG members and external reviewers. The name of the awardees will be posted at ECAP website and notified by email to the applicants within one month after the call deadline.

The process to transfer the grant will be started upon reception of all awardees bank account information.

The short report will be required no later than 1 month after the indicated completion date of the visit by the applicant.

Submit your application to: <a href="mailto:ecapwg@euraap.org">ecapwg@euraap.org</a>