



September 15, 2011

RE: Travel assistance to attend ISAAC Conference

ISAAC has limited funding available to support members from countries where AAC is in an “emerging” state to attend the **15th Biennial Conference of ISAAC** that will be held in Pittsburgh, USA, July 28 - August 2, 2012, <http://www.isaac2012.org>.

While we cannot provide 100% funding for every member from countries where AAC is in an “emerging” state, we will evaluate all submissions and hopefully provide some assistance to a number of people.

Please complete and submit the attached “Travel assistance application form” and email it back to ISAAC at: franklin@isaac-online.org by **15 November 2011**. You will be notified by **15 December 2011** about the funds available to you.

Those who decide not to make use of the grants should notify Franklin by **31 January 2012** so that the money can be re-allocated.

The conference will provide opportunities to meet, network and share ideas with other people from Emerging AAC Nations. The conference meetings will also focus specifically on developing and enhancing strategies to further develop AAC in Emerging Nations.

Looking forward to seeing you in Pittsburgh,

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rajul Padmanabhan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line under the name.

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APPLICATION FORM
People from Emerging AAC Countries

- The ISAAC BUILD Committee allocates the funds to support the attendance of people from emerging AAC countries at the ISAAC conference.
- Preference will be given to people who are presenting posters or papers at the conference.

Please note that limited funds are available and that you will be required to raise funds on your own as well.

Application process: Please complete all sections of the application form and return the form to Franklin Smith at: franklin@isaac-online.org by **15 November 2011**. You will be notified by **15 December 2011** about the funds available to you.

1. If for any reason you receive funding and are not able to attend the conference, you must advise the ISAAC International office immediately or latest by **31 January 2012** so that funds can be reallocated to others.
2. Please check with your travel agent about travel visas to the conference location.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

ISAAC ID# (identification number): _____
Applicant First name: _____ Last Name: _____
Street address: _____

City: _____ County/Province/State: _____
Postal Code/Zip: _____ Country: _____
Email: _____

PLEASE INDICATE THE FOLLOWING (in US dollars):

A. Expenses

1. Air/ground travel	\$ _____
2. Accommodation	\$ _____
3. Meals	\$ _____
4. Registration fees	\$ _____
5. Personal Care attendant assistance	\$ _____
6. Any other related expenses	\$ _____
Total expenses:	\$ _____

B. Whether other sources of funding are being sought

- 1. _____ \$ _____
- 2. _____ \$ _____
- 3. _____ \$ _____

C. The reasons why you wish to attend the ISAAC conference

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____

D. Your occupation _____

E. Name and contact information for two (2) referees (email address preferred)

- a. Referee No. 1 Name _____ Email _____
- b. Referee No. 2 Name _____ Email _____

F. Indicate formal involvement (as a member or leader) in any organization for people with disabilities in your country.

G. Have you attended an ISAAC Conference?

- a. **Yes (indicate year(s))** _____
- b. **No** _____

H. Indicate if you received funding from the ISAAC BUILD (previously called Emerging AAC Nations committee) in the past

- a. **YES**
Year(s) you received the funds _____
How you utilized your participation to promote AAC in your country _____

- b. **NO** _____