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CIGRE AUSTRALIA 2024 PARIS SESSION YOUNG PROFESSIONALS' SCHOLARSHIPS

The Australian National Committee of CIGRE is pleased to announce the opening of scholarships for young professionals to attend the CIGRE 2024 Session being held from 25 to 30 August 2024 in Paris, France.

CIGRE Australia Scholarships

It is anticipated that two scholarships will be offered. Each scholarship provides for up to a maximum of A\$8,000 for registration at the CIGRE Session and for return economy airfare, accommodation and out-of-pocket expenses.

Call for Applications

Applications for the scholarships are invited from Collective members and Individual members of CIGRE Australia. Collective 1 Members may submit up to two employee applications for the scholarships. Collective 2 Members may submit one nominee.

Each application from a Collective member should be submitted under a covering letter from the company or organisation which supports the applicant's attendance.

Individual members may self-nominate.

The criteria for applicants are shown below and applicants are requested to address these criteria in their application.

Application Closing Date

Applications should be lodged with CIGRE Australia at submissions@cigreaustralia.org.au **no later than Friday 15 December 2022.**

Further Information

Conditions applicable to the scholarships can be found in the attachment to this note. Queries concerning the scholarships may be addressed by contacting anc@cigreaustralia.org.au.

Yours sincerely

Peter McIntyre
Chief Executive Officer
CIGRE Australia

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Guidelines and Information

Objective:

The goal of the CIGRE Australia Young Professionals Scholarships is to provide encouragement for young members to maintain their long-term involvement in CIGRE Australia and CIGRE, including our technical panels, and to inspire career development for future leadership in the electrical power industry.

Eligibility Criteria:

- The age of the applicant is 33 or under as of 25 August 2024, with preference for at least 4 years' experience in power system engineering.
- The applicant is an Individual member of CIGRE Australia or is an employee of a Collective member of CIGRE Australia and has a genuine interest in pursuing a long-term career in the electrical power industry.
- The applicant has not previously attended a CIGRE Paris Session.
- The applicant has demonstrated a high level of technical ability and commitment in a field of interest of CIGRE.
- The applicant has had demonstrable involvement in the activities of CIGRE Australia NGN, CIGRE more broadly or other power engineering related professional activities.

The Application:

The format of the application is not prescriptive. Applicants should clearly and succinctly address at least the following in their written application:

- Objectives for wanting to attend the CIGRE 2024 Paris Session;
 - Benefits they believe will flow to themselves and to their employer from their attendance; and
 - Benefits they believe will flow through to the electrical power industry in Australia and/or New Zealand, and CIGRE Australia from their attendance.
- Applicants should also demonstrate any direct involvement in the work of:
 - CIGRE and/or CIGRE Australia, such as seminars, workshops, conferences, Panels or Working Groups.
 - Other technical organisations or industry bodies and committees; and
 - Winner or finalist of a competition based on projects, or papers in the electrical power engineering field.
- Applicants should also provide evidence of contributions made as an author or co-author to CIGRE papers and events, or those of other associations, and presentations made at events or conferences.
- Applicants should nominate their specific areas of interest at the CIGRE 2024 Session and indicate the broad scope and nature of the paper they would prepare for the NGN Showcase.
- Applicants from companies or organisations holding Collective membership of CIGRE Australia must have the support of their company or organisation to attend the CIGRE 2024 Session in Paris. A letter of support from the applicant's manager on company letterhead is required.
- Applicants, or their companies or organisations, must cover any expenses above the value of the scholarship. The value of each scholarship is up to a maximum of AUD\$8,000 per person.

General Information:

Scholarship recipients will attend the CIGRE 2024 Session in Paris, and an appropriate program of attendance will be developed in conjunction with the recipients, their companies or organisations, and CIGRE Australia.

As part of the attendance, scholarship recipients will be expected to:

- Be available in Paris at the Paris Session from Sunday 24 August to Friday 30 August 2024.
- Participate in the NGN (Young Member) stand and activities at the Paris Session.
- Prepare a presentation and a paper of no more than 12 pages by **19 January 2024** for submission as a nomination for the NGN Showcase at the Paris 2024 Session. The paper must align with a Paris 2024 [preferential subject](#).
- Participate, if selected, in the NGN Showcase event. Selection as a CIGRE Australia scholar does not guarantee selection for involvement in the NGN Showcase event. If unsuccessful, participation in a Poster Session is instead anticipated.
- Be available and willing to participate in the CIGRE Australian Next Generation Network activities for the 2024 and 2025 calendar years.

Upon return, each recipient is required to submit a written report to CIGRE Australia on his/her attendance and to attend and report to the CIGRE Australia annual technical meeting in 2024.

In the event of a change of employer by a recipient following selection and prior to the Session, any scholarship recipient must obtain his/her new employer's acceptance of the scholarship conditions and assigned responsibilities; otherwise, the recipient will be required to forfeit the scholarship.

Please note that Collective 1 members may submit up to two applications from their staff for the scholarships. Collective 2 may submit one application from their organisation. Individual members may self-nominate.

Further Information and Applications:

Further information on the CIGRE 2024 Session is available from CIGRE Australia anc@cigreaustralia.org.au) or from

Further information regarding preferential subjects for the 2024 Paris Session can be found [HERE – Paris Preferential subjects](#) (shown on pages 3-10 of the linked presentation).

Submission Date and Address:

Please submit applications by **Friday 15 December 2023** by email to submissions@cigreaustralia.org.au

Key dates:

Friday 15 December 2023	Applications due
Wednesday 29 December 2023	Successful Candidates notified, subject to receipt of draft paper and presentation below
Friday 19 January	Draft Paper and Presentation Received for ANC review
Monday 29 January	Comments on Paper and Presentation Provided to applicant
Sunday 4 February	Final Paper and Presentation Received
Tuesday 6 February	Deadline for Paper/Presentation submission by ANC to Paris

Application Form for CIGRE Australia 2024 Young Professional - Paris Scholarship

Please attach this page to the front of your application.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____
[Must be 33 or under as of 25 August 2024]

Gender: [for statistical data purposes only]: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please tick below if you agree with the statement.

- Yes, I have the support of my employer who is a CIGRE Australia member (I have attached a letter of support) [only applicable to applicants applying as an employee of a Collective member]
- Yes, I am available to be in Paris, France between the dates of 24 and 30 August 2024 and to attend and participate in required functions and activities.
- Yes, I have read the application guidelines, information and conditions and agree to the conditions stated.
- Yes, I acknowledge that I need to prepare and submit a draft paper and presentation in accordance with the timeline set out in the Guidelines and Information document.
- Yes, I have attached the detail asked for in addressing the criteria.

Please email your application (ensuring that you have addressed the criteria) along with this cover sheet and email to submissions@cigreaustralia.org.au with **NGN Scholarship** in the Subject line.

ALL applications must reach the office by Friday 15 December 2023.