

**Purpose:**

The purpose of the Award is to enable young women scientists early in their careers to attend an AASSA-recognized international scientific conference or meeting, at which they will present the results of their original research.

**Nomination:**

Nominations for the Prof. Yoo Hang Kim Young Women Scientists Award may be made by an AASSA member academy from a Low- or Middle-Income Country (LMIC) excluding those from Highly Developed Countries (HDC) and G-20 countries<sup>1</sup>.

Nominations must be made on the official letter-head of the AASSA member academy or society, and be accompanied by soft (electronic) copies of each of the required documents/evidences.

**Eligibility and Amount of Awards:**

1. Nominees shall be young women scientists early in their career in the field of STEM, preferably no more than five years after obtaining their PhD degrees.
2. A nominee should have experiences with presentations of her original research at an internationally recognized scientific conference or have been accepted/published in International journals.
3. The nominee should specify the AASSA-recognized<sup>2</sup> international<sup>3</sup> scientific conference/meeting that she wishes to attend and provide evidence that she has been accepted to present the results of her original research at the conference. Each awardee must present the results of her original research at the conference specified in the nomination.
4. Each Award will be of up to USD 2,000 and shall be used by the awardee to pay for a round-trip economy airfare from her country to the conference host country, conference registration, per diem and accommodation. Payment of the award amount shall be made as reimbursement<sup>4</sup> of these expenses upon the submission of original receipts, and evidence concerning her presentation, by the awardee. There can be bank fees deducted from international wire transfer at the awardee's expense.

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<sup>1</sup> As of the year 2024, the AASSA member countries excluded are Australia, China, India, Indonesia, Israel, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Russia, Singapore and Turkey.

<sup>2</sup> Local Society/Academy will assess the quality of the international scientific conferences/meetings.

<sup>3</sup> International conferences should belong to the international organization or the ones created by a single society that has a long history (at least 5 years up) with the record of 25% international delegates attending the conference.

<sup>4</sup> There could be a maximum limit for specific reimbursement items.

### **Documents required from the nominee**

Along with the nomination letter from the academy/society under AASSA, the following documents are required to be submitted:

(The nominee is responsible for the authenticity and accuracy of the information provided in this form. Providing incorrect information will render the nomination void).

1. Application form
2. Conference acceptance letter
3. Self-attested copy of Ph.D. certificate/award
4. Electronic reprints (or web links) for up to three important research papers published in internationally reputed scientific journals.

### **Process for Year 2024**

1. Interested individual to participate in the conference to be held within year 2023 must upload and submit an application form along with evidence files on our online form(<https://forms.gle/eWMZG73gmwZPs4Pt5>). Same form and files should also be sent to her Local Academy/Society which is a member of AASSA.
2. Applicants' Local Academy/Society which is a member of AASSA, will screen the applicants and forward information of at most two nominees in each call with the letter of nomination to AASSA Secretariat([aassa@kast.or.kr](mailto:aassa@kast.or.kr)).
3. The AASSA Secretariat will transmit the nominations to the WISE Committee, initiating the selection process. The selection results will be individually announced and also published on AASSA's official website([www.aassa.asia](http://www.aassa.asia)).
4. Reimbursements for the award will be processed after attending the conference in 2024. To facilitate this process, recipients are required to submit proper receipts and evidence (such as boarding passes, conference participation certificates, and pictures) to the AASSA Secretariat within one month from the conclusion of the attended conference.
5. Decisions made by the AASSA's WISE Committee and Executive Board are final and shall not be challenged in court of law or elsewhere.