

ARENA IEP Funding for Task experts to attend IEA Hydrogen TCP Task Meetings

As of April 1, 2018 funding from the ARENA International Engagement Program (IEP) grant has been available for Task experts to attend International Energy Agency (IEA) Hydrogen Technology Collaboration Program (TCP) Task meetings on which Australia has expert representation. This funding will be available for a period of 5 years (April 1 2018 – March 31, 2023). At the present time Australia is represented on Task 38: Power-To-Hydrogen and Hydrogen-To-X (Australian experts: Professor Pierluigi Mancarella and Dr. Rob Dickinson) and Task 40: Energy storage and conversion based on hydrogen (Australian experts: Professor Craig Buckley and Dr. Jim Webb). Future Tasks with Australian expert representation will also be eligible to apply for funding to attend these future task meetings. The funding available to attend these Task meetings is up to 50 % of the total travel costs. The funding covers airfares, accommodation and subsistence costs. The other 50 % is expected to be covered by the expert's employer. The funding (50 % of costs up to a maximum of \$3,500) will be distributed to the Task expert on submission of all receipts associated with the Task meeting to the Australian Association of Hydrogen Energy (AAHE) Treasurer.

Eligibility

A Task expert is defined as someone who has been officially approved by both the Australian Executive Committee Member on the IEA Hydrogen TCP and the Task Operating Agent.

Selection Criteria

Given that the Task expert is already screened prior to being appointed as an Australian Expert a short CV is not required. The applicant is however encouraged to put forward in a short proposal how they intend to contribute to the task, what are their commitments in regard to dissemination of task activities within Australia and what is their potential contribution to the work of the AAHE. If applications outstrip the allocated budget the AAHE designated committee will decide how the funding is allocated based on the degree of past funding received by the Task experts. It is expected that Task experts receiving the funding will provide a short report within 6 weeks after returning from the Task meeting, and be available to participate in AAHE knowledge sharing activities post meeting.

Please submit a short proposal to the AAHE Selection Committee c/o secretary@hydrogenaustralia.org detailing the Task Meeting topic, venue, estimated costs and a short response to the selection criteria. The email must be submitted at least 4 weeks prior to the starting date of the Task meeting.

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