Guidelines for organizing a FEBS Young Scientists' Forum

FEBS Young Scientists’ Forum (YSF) is a satellite meeting of the FEBS Congress which takes place prior to that event. The timing of YSF depends therefore on the timing of the main Congress. The aims are to provide a scientific meeting where the poster presentations and talks are largely run by young scientists themselves and where they can make contact with others at a similar career stage before attending the much larger Congress. The event will be overseen and guidance provided by one of the directly elected members of FEBS Executive Committee who will arrange for a small number of senior scientists to give background talks on the key subjects of the Congress and hold advice workshops. The participants will be required to have submitted a poster for presentation at the FEBS Congress.

Financial Support

For all the participants, FEBS will supply travel grants and pay for full board at the Forum and for accommodation and registration at the FEBS Congress.

The budget for organization of the event will be arranged in consultation with the FEBS Finance Committee.

Organization

An Organizing Committee comprising the FEBS Executive Committee member and six to eight local young scientists, one of whom will be the Chairperson, should be set up at least one year before the event. The chairperson at least should attend the YSF of the previous FEBS Congress. The local young scientists are expected to have close relations to the Organizing Committee of the FEBS Congress.

The YSF Organizing Committee will decide on the applicants to be accepted. Applicants must be members of a FEBS Constituent Society. With the exception of the Committee members, normally no-one who has attended a YSF in a recent year or has received a Youth Travel Fund grant in the current year will be offered a place. Normally only up to 15% of local students will be accepted, dependent on the country.

The venue must provide an auditorium and a poster display area of adequate size. It should preferably be sited conveniently for the FEBS Congress so that living accommodation at the YSF and the Congress can be the same.

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