

## **daCi New Country Scholarships initiative Guidelines**

### **Introduction**

The purpose of the New Country Scholarships is to support countries to join daCi and to make the conference and organization more inclusive. New Country Scholarships are aimed at giving financial support for representatives of countries attending a daCi conference for the first time. The aim is that the representative(s) will join daCi and facilitate interest in daCi in their own country. Participation in daCi conference is important in learning about daCi aims, and daCi “spirit”. The request for new country scholarship should come from the country itself.

### **Guidelines**

- The country or its representative (person or organization) applies for the scholarship.
- The applicant does not have to be a daCi member.
- The country of the applicant does not have to have any daCi members.
- The country of the applicant has to have organized activity related to children’s dance/dance education. This activity has to be documented in the application (visual and written).
- The application has to include a statement of purpose in English that establishes a connection between daCi aims and the aims for developing children’s dance/dance education in that country. The statement also has to show willingness to encourage daCi membership in that country as well as a statement of intent of the applicant to become a daCi member.
- daCi international can support the costs involved to attend conference/meetings up to
- CDN\$2,000. A full budget including travel costs, accommodation and conference fee plus percentage of total costs applied from daCi international needs to be included. The application has to show that the person(s) travelling will be able to benefit attending the meetings/conference events knowing that English will be the predominant language at meetings and conference events.
- In order to better facilitate national daCi activities after the conference it is recommended that at the least two persons from a new country make a joint application for a New Country Scholarship.

Application forms are available from the daCi website

Application deadline is six (6) months prior to the conference.

The application and required documents should be emailed to the Secretary [secretary@daci.international](mailto:secretary@daci.international). Applications will be reviewed by a committee and responses will sent out in approximately two months from receipt of application form.