Conference support grants
for emerging Indigenous evaluators

Before you start

- Make sure you have read the application information. Visit the conference website aes25.aes.asn.au and familiarise yourself with the conference theme and any available program information.
- Make sure you are available from 15–19 September 2025 to attend the conference in Canberra, Australia.
- Decide on how you wish to submit your application. You have the option to request a call-back and complete the application over the phone.
- Applications can only be accepted from individuals. Applications from groups will not be considered.
- Applications without contact details for two referees will not be assessed.
- Late applications will be declined without review and extensions on the application deadline will not be granted. Applications must be received by **COB Friday 4 July 2025**.

This form can be filled in electronically. Make sure you save it to your computer for later revision and printing/signing.

A. CONTACT DETAILS

Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Prof/Dr)	
First name/s	
Surname	
Organisation/institution	
Postal address	
Address 2 (if different from postal)	

Email address		Mobile	
Work phone		Home phone	

B. ASSESSMENT OF ELIGIBILITY

This section of the application form is used to determine eligibility.
NOTE: Your application will be declined without review if you do not complete this section.

Endorsing referees	❏ I confirm that I have included the contact details of two referees in Section D. *NOTE: Applicants need to provide the contact details of two referees for endorsement in supporting the application and outlining the benefits to the applicant of attending the conference.*
Identification	Which of the following groups do you identify with? ❏ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples living in Australia ❏ Māori living in Aotearoa/New Zealand ❏ Pacific Island peoples (including those living in Aotearoa/New Zealand) ❏ Native East Timorese people
Country	What country do you live in? *The conference support grants are limited to eligible applicants from the region consisting of Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and neighbouring islands in the Pacific Ocean.*

AES financial assistance	Have you previously received a conference support grant from the AES? ☐ YES ☐ NO
	If yes, what year:
	Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously received a conference support grant from AES (or its branches). However, previous AES conference grant recipients are eligible to apply in 2025.

C. PERSONAL PROFILE

This section of the application form is your opportunity to tell us about yourself: your background and interest in evaluation, what evaluation experience you have, why you want to attend the AES 2025 conference, and how attending the conference will assist your professional development. Please provide sufficient information to help us assess your application (ie. a short paragraph on each question).

What do you hope for by attending the conference? (max 150 words)
- How you will be able to build your knowledge and share with others at the conference?
- How you see yourself participating at the conference?
- What the potential benefit is for your professional or personal growth?

What is your interest in evaluation? (max 150 words)
- Your journey into evaluation so far
- The prior experience or knowledge, formal or informal training, or grassroots experience you have in evaluation

What community(ies) will you be sharing knowledge with from the conference? (max 150 words)
- The connection(s) you have with community
- How you will share your conference experience and knowledge with your community
- The potential benefit of that knowledge to community

What other information would you like to add in support of your application? (max 100 words)

Conference participation: Have you been accepted to present at the aes25 International Evaluation Conference? ❏ YES ❏ NO

If yes, what format is your presentation:

D. ENDORSING REFEREES

Applicants need to provide contact details for two referees, including email and contact number for endorsement in supporting the application and outlining the benefits to the applicant of attending the conference.

Note: Applications without two referee details for endorsement will not be assessed.

Referees should be someone who has worked alongside or supervised the work of the applicant or post-graduate student and can verify the benefits of attending the conference.

REFEREE 1 – DETAILS

Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Prof/Dr)		First name	
Surname			
Organisation/institution			
Organisation website			
Email address		Contact phone	

REFEREE 2 – DETAILS

Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Prof/Dr)		First name	
Surname			
Organisation/institution			
Organisation website			
Email address		Contact phone	

E. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

This section of the application form seeks information about your circumstances to assess your need for financial assistance. If your application is successful the AES will notify you about how to proceed.

Support requested What financial assistance are you seeking?	**Registration costs:** – Are you a full-time student? ❑ YES ❑ NO – Are you seeking supported (ie. free) conference registration? ❑ YES ❑ NO – Are you seeking supported (ie. free) workshop registration? ❑ YES ❑ NO **Additional financial support** Why are you and your employer unable to fund your conference attendance? Please indicate what support your employer has committed to: ❑ Accommodation. ❑ Flights ❑ Registration ❑ Travel allowance Are you seeking support for travel expenses? ❑ YES ❑ NO Are you seeking support for accommodation and living expenses? ❑ YES ❑ NO What is your closest airport?
Supporting information	Have you applied for/received other grants or support? ❑ YES ❑ NO

CONFIRMATON/SIGNATURE

	I, [insert your full name here] Confirm (please tick to confirm): ❑ 1. that the information provided in this form is true and correct in all respects 2. I am aware of my responsibilities upon receiving a Conference Attendance Grant, incl. (wherever possible) ❑ Attending the conference and workshop program ❑ Attending the gala dinner ❑ Attending the grant recipient networking breakfast Signature Date