

## National Scholarship Program - Brief

The scholarship provides an opportunity for six FIA Members to attend the conference when they would otherwise not have the opportunity to due to financial means. A scholarship will be provided to six members to attend the 2025 FIA Conference in Sydney.

#### Key points:

- The scholarship covers the cost of a full FIA Conference member registration (\$1,620). The winners must cover their own flights and accommodation.
- Applications for the scholarship will open in October and close on Friday, 15 November 2024.
- The scholarship will be promoted at state events, on the FIA & Conference websites, through e-comms and social media.
- The scholarship is open to all members of FIA.

### The scholarship candidate must:

- Be a member of FIA who has a current full individual or organisational membership held for at least 12 months.
- Their organisation must have an annual fundraising revenue of less than \$500,000 (not
  including bequests). Fundraising revenue is considered income that has been raised by the
  fundraising team / fundraiser via fundraising programs, in other words it is income derived
  from charitable giving. Therefore, by its nature it excludes government grants, investments,
  fee for service, interest etc.
- Provide an endorsement letter from their organisation's CEO stating benefits/likely outcomes of attending the conference.
- Have completed the scholarship application form, summarising the reasons he/she feels qualified to receive a scholarship.
- Must not have attended the FIA Conference within the past 2 years.

# Conditions of Scholarship:

- The scholarship covers the cost of conference registration only. Any other costs (such as travel, accommodation, awards gala dinner tickets or any other expenses) must be met by the scholarship recipients.
- The recipients must submit a written summary of his/her experience at the conference (approx. 500 words) no later than 30 days following the conference. This will become property of FIA and may be used for promotional purposes.

### **Scholarship Process:**

- Scholarship applications will open online, and members must complete the application form and return to training@fia.org.au
- The judges will meet in late November to select the recipients. Recipients will be notified immediately via email and phone.
- The scholarship committee will review all eligible applications and base their recommendations on expressed clear objectives for use of the scholarship and goals for career development.