

Dear Students, Researchers, and Colleagues of PAST,

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IMPORTANT NOTICE: PAST GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINE AND AVAILABLE GRANTS FOR Q3 2017

PAST would like to remind **all grant applicants** that our 3rd quarter application deadline is **01 August 2017.**

If you have a current PAST grant, a **progress report** must be submitted before applying for further funds.

PAST would like to remind applicants that PAST invites applications to **5 research programmes**, and that applicants who are willing to **voluntarily contribute** to education (particularly in cooperation with PAST's educational programme, Walking Tall) or outreach (in cooperation with PAST's All from One campaign and exhibition) will receive preference.

PAST would also like applicants to note that **postgraduate students** are able to apply for supplementary funds should they receive a grant from another institution, but that these applications must include detailed budgets and illustrate a clear need for additional funding.

PAST is making available several bursaries for excellent Honours students who have a clear commitment to furthering their studies to PhD level.

PAST is also inviting leaders of innovative research projects to apply for field and/or laboratory costs.

A number of grants will be made available for technical capacity support.

Organisers of conferences held in Africa should contact PAST to discuss the design of a conference grant application.

PAST will prioritise research and bursary applications that contribute to support of technical capacity and to the development African leadership in the origin sciences.

Only complete applications that satisfy all application guidelines will be considered. All applications are vetted by PAST's Scientific Advisory Committee under the guidance of its Chief Scientist. The vetting process is rigorous and time-consuming and **incomplete or uncompliant applications will not be processed.**

Leaders of multi-disciplinary projects with funding needs in excess of R150 000 should contact PAST's Chief Executive Officer (andrea@pastafrica.co.za) to discuss applications prior to submission.

Please refer to the Programmes and Grants pages on PAST's website, <u>www.past.org.za</u>, for full details on how to apply for and report progress on a grant.

Also please refer to the Walking Tall and All from One campaign and exhibition pages to ascertain how an application might include a voluntary education and outreach component