The COVID-19 pandemic has considerably, and adversely, affected the training and career development opportunities for junior scientists over the past year. Sadly, it continues to do so in many regions. While we all eagerly anticipate the return of in-person conferences and meetings, we are still in uncertain times. Nevertheless, the European Association of Geochemistry (EAG) is continuing to increase its efforts to support early career scientists by adapting its three key initiatives (see below) to aid participation in all types of events, whether in virtual, hybrid, or in-person format.

Whatever format of event you are planning to attend or organize, visit https://www.eag.eu.com/early-career/ to find out more and to apply!

**STUDENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM**

This program sponsors up to 12 students each year to participate in virtual, hybrid, and online conferences, short courses, or summer/winter schools. For in-person events, the events should be held in Europe, but events may be hosted anywhere if students intend to participate online only. Sponsored students are awarded up to €500 to cover registration/abstract fees and, if applicable, travel expenses.

**Application deadlines: 1 February, 1 May, 1 September, and 1 December**

**EARLY CAREER SCIENCE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM**

Originally aimed at early career scientists based in Europe who wished to attend in-person at a conference held outside Europe, this program has recently been expanded to welcome applications from early career scientists from any country to attend virtual conferences hosted anywhere in the world. The program aims to fund conference attendance, not related events such as field trips. To be eligible, applicants must intend to present their work at the conference. For online attendance, successful applicants will receive awards covering registration and abstract fees. For in-person attendance, successful applicants will be awarded 50% of expenses (travel, registration, and abstract fees) up to a maximum of €1,500.

**Application deadlines: 1 March, 1 June, and 1 October**

**SHORT COURSE AND CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM**

If you are an EAG member and are organizing a short course or small conference in Europe (whether online, hybrid, or in-person) you can apply for EAG Sponsorship to support student participation. Successful applicants receive sponsorship of up to €200 per student. Short courses or small conferences should focus on special topics or techniques from the broad field of geochemistry.

Application deadline (for events taking place in 2022): 30 November 2021