

EORTC QLГ's Meeting Grants for Researchers from Low- and Middle-Income Countries

The EORTC Quality of Life Group (QLG) cordially invites you to apply for the **Autumn 2026** funding round of the Meeting Grants for researchers from low- and middle-income countries.

We will offer up to 6 grants per QLG meeting for researchers from low- and middle-income countries to attend one of the 6-monthly QLG meetings (provided they are not funded through ongoing EORTC QLG grants and have not received this grant or the Early Career Investigator Meeting Grant in the previous 12 months).

Terms of the funding:

- Up to 1000 Euro for attendees from European countries and up to 2000 Euro for attendees from non-European countries
- The budget will only cover travel (economy class) and accommodation (max of 165 Euro per night including taxes and breakfast).
 - If travelling with a guest (i.e., family member, partner) who is not part of the QLG, you must notify the treasurer in advance. We will ask the grant recipient for proof of what a single room would cost, and the EORTC QLG will only cover that much.
 - The total number of hotel nights must not exceed what is reasonable to attend the full meeting. If an extra night this must first be approved by the treasurer.
- Meals are provided throughout the meeting: lunch and dinners on Thursday and Friday. Additional claims for meals will not be accepted.
- The grant only covers the individual who was been awarded the grant. Costs cannot be claimed for any additional persons including for accommodation and meals.
- If awarded the grant and circumstances change and you are no longer able to attend the QLG meeting, it is possible to transfer your meeting grant to the following meeting.
 - You must submit a written request to the Small Grant Review Committee latest three weeks prior to the meeting.
- *Please note:* All payments will be reimbursed retrospectively upon receiving original receipts after the meeting.

You are an eligible candidate for the program if you are (required):

- A researcher living and working in a low- and middle-income country (appendix A)
- A corresponding or active member of the EORTC QLG for at least 12 months prior to your application
- Committed to being active in the QLG for a minimum of 2 years

The awardee is expected to:

- Actively contribute and participate in the QLG meeting
- Attend all PMDC and plenary sessions, at least 2 parallel sessions **and if wishes to, the ECI session where you receive an awardee's certificate**
- Write a short paragraph (250 words) with a description of your experience (needs to be submitted within one month after the meeting).

Selection for the grant will be based on (desirable):

- The benefit you feel you will gain from attending the meeting and the amount you hope to contribute to the meeting
- Your future motivations to contribute to the QLG and quality of life research
- The number of presentations or contributions you plan to give/have at the meeting
- The number of QLG projects you are collaborating on

Your application should include:

- a CV including a list of publications (2 A4 pages – Arial 11)
- a motivation letter (1 A4 page – Arial 11)
 - Career objectives, expectations, interests
 - Your expected contribution to the QLG group, in terms of current or future collaborations, projects, or presentations

Feasibility of the applications will be evaluated by the Small Grant Review Committee. Ranking will be based on the desirable criteria. For a list of current funded projects please visit <https://qol.eortc.org/qlg-funded-projects/>.

Please send your application as a single pdf no later than **July 10, 2026**, to chair.eortcqlg@soton.ac.uk.

We look forward to receiving your applications!

Appendix A. List of low and middle income countries

This is compiled by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and is updated every three years (<https://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/daclist.htm>).

Afghanistan	Iraq	South Sudan
Albania	Jamaica	Sri Lanka
Algeria	Jordan	Saint Lucia
Angola	Kazakhstan	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Antigua and Barbuda	Kenya	Sudan
Argentina	Kiribati	Suriname
Armenia	Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Syrian Arab Republic
Azerbaijan	Kosovo	Tajikistan
Bangladesh	Kyrgyzstan	Tanzania
Belarus	Lao People's Democratic Republic	Thailand
Belize	Lebanon	Timor-Leste
Benin	Lesotho	Togo
Bhutan	Liberia	Tokelau
Bolivia	Libya	Tonga
Bosnia and Herzegovina	North Macedonia	Tunisia
Botswana	Madagascar	Turkey
Brazil	Malawi	Turkmenistan
Burkina Faso	Malaysia	Tuvalu
Burundi	Maldives	Uganda
Cabo Verde	Mali	Ukraine
Cambodia	Marshall Islands	Uzbekistan
Cameroon	Mauritania	Vanuatu
Central African Republic	Mauritius	Venezuela
Chad	Mexico	Vietnam
China (People's Republic of)	Micronesia	Wallis and Futuna
Colombia	Moldova	West Bank and Gaza Strip
Comoros	Mongolia	Yemen
Democratic Republic of Congo	Montenegro	Zambia
Congo	Montserrat	Zimbabwe
Costa Rica	Morocco	
Côte d'Ivoire	Mozambique	
Cuba	Myanmar	
Djibouti	Namibia	
Dominica	Nauru	
Dominican Republic	Nepal	
Ecuador	Nicaragua	
Egypt	Niger	
El Salvador	Nigeria	
Equatorial Guinea	Niue	
Eritrea	Pakistan	
Eswatini	Palau	
Ethiopia	Panama	
Fiji	Papua New Guinea	
Gabon	Paraguay	
Gambia	Peru	
Georgia	Philippines	
Ghana	Rwanda	
Grenada	Saint Helena	
Guatemala	Samoa	
Guinea	São Tomé and Príncipe	
Guinea-Bissau	Senegal	
Guyana	Serbia	
Haiti	Sierra Leone	
Honduras	Solomon Islands	
India	Somalia	
Indonesia	South Africa	
Iran		