

Financial support for Member organizations from low and middle income countries

Selection criteria

Depending on funding availability, the IUCN Secretariat will sponsor **a maximum of one delegate per Member organisation/institution** based on the following criteria:

- delegates from Member organisations/institutions with voting rights that have paid their dues, up to and including 2015, by 31 October 2015;
- are located in countries of low and middle income economies according to the [2015 World Bank list of economies](#) (January 2015 version); and
- ensuring adequate geographic representation across all regions.

Additional criteria for selecting sponsored Members¹

In case not enough funds are available to sponsor all eligible Members, priority shall be given to Members who best meet one or more of the following criteria:

- have been accepted as event organizers for the Forum
- plan to send individuals who are candidates for election
- have voted in the 2012 Congress on at least 75% of decisions
- are actively engaged in coordination of the National or Regional Committee
- have been actively engaged in the Regional Conservation Forums in 2015 and/or in the implementation of the IUCN Programme or IUCN projects in the previous intersessional period
- have submitted a report on sponsored delegates programme post 2012 Congress
- actively participated in IUCN governance through participation in e-ballots
- pertain in the lowest categories of dues payment but active in IUCN affairs
- are New Members

¹ As approved by the Governance and Constituency Committee of the IUCN Council in November 2014