The Partnership for Observation of the Global Oceans (POGO) and its partners, the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) and the Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research (SCOR), announce the Fellowship Programme for 2004. This programme is designed to promote training and capacity building leading towards a global observation scheme for the oceans.

Who can apply?

This fellowship program is open to scientists, technicians, graduate students (PhD) and Post Doctoral Fellows involved in oceanographic work at centres in developing countries and countries with economies in transition. In 2004, priority will be given to applicants from the Indian Ocean region, involved in, or planning to be involved in, the Indian Ocean GOOS initiatives.

What does the fellowship offer?

It offers the opportunity to visit other oceanographic centres for a short period (1 to 3 months) for training on any aspect of oceanographic observations, analyses, and interpretation.

What are the Priority Areas?

Priority will be given this year to applications that deal with any of the following topics:

- Argo Floats
- Fixed-Point Time-Series Observations
- Large-scale, Operational Biological Observations including Biodiversity
- Emerging Technologies for Ocean Observations
- Data management

What are the terms?

1. The fellowship will provide international airfare and subsistence allowance for the fellowship period (the actual amount will be tailored to meet local conditions, but will not exceed US $1,000 per month).
2. The trainee’s institute will bear all expenses incurred by the fellow in his/her own nation (domestic travel, visa costs, etc.), and the host institute will waive any bench fees that they may normally charge trainees.
3. POGO does not cover any of the expenses related to the training itself.

More details regarding the terms of fellowship are provided in the application form.

How does one apply?

Fellowship applicants should complete and submit the application form given below. Only applications that are complete in all respects will be considered for the Fellowship.

Deadline: The deadline for the next round of applications is March 15, 2004.
APPLICATION FOR POGO-IOC-SCOR FELLOWSHIP

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME:
INSTITUTION:
MAILING ADDRESS:
E-MAIL ADDRESS:
TELEPHONE:  FACSIMILE:

SUPERVISOR AT APPLICANT'S PARENT INSTITUTION

NAME:
INSTITUTION:
MAILING ADDRESS:
E-MAIL ADDRESS:
TELEPHONE:  FACSIMILE:
Letter of Recommendation from Supervisor Attached:  Yes  No

SUPERVISOR AT APPLICANT’S HOST INSTITUTION

NAME:
INSTITUTION:
MAILING ADDRESS:
E-MAIL ADDRESS:
TELEPHONE:  FACSIMILE:
Letter of Acceptance at Host Institution Attached:  Yes  No

Title of proposed training activity:

Description of training solicited:
Relevance to ongoing or planned programmes at the parent institution and links to GOOS initiatives:

Academic qualifications and professional experience of the applicant relevant to the training:

How will the training contribute to capacity building at the parent institution?

Proposed duration of training:
Preferred dates of training:

Estimated cost of economy return international air travel from parent country to host institution:

Please limit descriptive sections to about 100 - 150 words, and use font sizes of 10 pt or larger.

Please send completed applications and attachments by
e-mail: SathyendranathS@mar.dfo-mpo.gc.ca or FAX: 1-902-426-9388

In addition, mail signed originals to: POGO Secretariat
Bedford Institute of Oceanography, P.O. Box 1006
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia
CANADA B2Y 4A2
The terms of the Fellowship

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3. The trainee and the supervisors at the parent and host institutes are requested to provide a short progress report at the end of the training period, to evaluate the success of the fellowship programme.

4. POGO does not cover any of the expenses related to the training itself.

5. POGO assumes no responsibility for compensation in the event of sickness, accident, death or disability of a Fellowship holder, nor does it arrange for insurance of a trainee or reimburse premiums paid therefore.

6. The trainees are not considered agents or members of the staff of POGO, and shall not be entitled to any privileges, immunities, compensation or reimbursements, except as otherwise provided herein, nor are the trainees authorised to commit POGO to any expenditure or other obligation.

Review Process

Representatives from POGO, IOC and SCOR will review the applications.

In their decision-making, the Selection Committee will consider the following points:

1. Quality of the application;
2. Relevance of the application to the priority areas identified in the Fellowship Announcement;
3. Evidence that the training will lead to improved sustained observations in the region, or improved applications of such data;
4. Evidence that the training will lead to capacity-building with potential lasting impact on regional observations; and,
5. The need to maximise regional balance in distribution of the awards.

All applicants will be informed of the decision about two months after the deadline for applications.