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Guidelines

International Speaker Exchange Award

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There are a number of protected titles for medical radiation practice. They include:

Medical Radiation Practitioner (MRP)

Diagnostic Radiographer (DR)

Medical Imaging Technologist (MIT)

Radiographer

Nuclear Medicine Scientist (NMS)

Nuclear Medicine Technologist (NMT)

Radiation Therapist (RT).

For the purposes of our documentation we use the broad descriptor Medical Radiation Practitioner (MRP) recognising that it covers a range of areas of practice.



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ASMIRT INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER EXCHANGE AWARD GUIDELINES

1. Purpose

Each year, thousands of medical radiation science professionals from across the globe gather to exchange best practices, share cutting-edge research, and contribute insights drawn from years of clinical and academic experience. The ASMIRT International Speaker Exchange Award offers an exceptional opportunity for an outstanding member of the Australian Society of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy (ASMIRT) to represent Australia by presenting at a major international conference.

In partnership with the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) Foundation, ASMIRT supports the global exchange of knowledge in medical radiation sciences. Each year, one selected speaker will attend and present at an ASRT event, alternating between a medical imaging speaker at ASRT@RSNA (Radiological Society of North America) in 2026 and 2028, and a radiation therapy speaker at the ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference in 2027.

This initiative underscores ASMIRT's commitment to fostering international collaboration, advancing professional excellence, and strengthening ties with our global colleagues in medical radiation science.

2. Award Details

• International Speaker Exchange Award

The International Speaker Exchange Award offers a unique opportunity for one ASMIRT member each year to present at a major United States conference hosted by the ASRT.

The award package includes:

- **Presentation Opportunity:** The recipient will deliver a presentation to an international audience of medical radiation science professionals.
- **Conference Registration:** Full registration to either the ASRT@RSNA or the ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference, generously provided by the ASRT Foundation.
- **Travel Expenses:** Return economy-class airfare from Australia to the United States, including ground transportation to and from the conference location.
- **Accommodation:** Reimbursement for up to five (5) nights of accommodation, capped at USD \$300 per night.
- **Travel Allowance:** Daily allowance for meals and incidental expenses (up to five days), reimbursed in accordance with the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) [Tax Determination TD 2025/4 for the 2025–26 income year](#).
- **Travel Insurance:** Comprehensive travel insurance coverage for the duration of the trip.

• ASRT@RSNA

The RSNA Scientific Assembly and Annual Meeting is the world's largest scientific and educational gathering for the radiologic sciences. It brings together radiologists, medical imaging technologists, radiation therapists, nurses, and exhibitors from across the globe. Held in Chicago, this conference showcases groundbreaking research, advanced imaging technology, and international networking opportunities.



Upcoming dates:

- 29 November – 3 December 2026
- 26 November – 30 November 2028

Since 2009, ASRT@RSNA has featured a dedicated program of continuing education designed specifically for medical imaging technologists.

- **ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference**

Held in conjunction with the American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO) Annual Meeting, the ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference is a premier global event for radiation therapists, medical dosimetrists, and radiation oncology professionals. The conference provides a platform for knowledge sharing, professional growth, and the exploration of new directions in cancer treatment and radiation therapy.

Next conference:

- September 2027

3. Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the ASMIRT International Speaker Exchange Award, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a current financial voting member of ASMIRT, with a minimum of three (3) consecutive years of post-graduate membership immediately prior to the application closing date. (*Note: Student membership does not count towards the required three years.*)
- Maintain ASMIRT voting membership throughout the duration of the award period.
- Hold current registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (Ahpra).
- Be a resident of Australia at the time of application and remain so throughout the award period.
- Must not have previously received the International Speaker Exchange Award (this is a one-time award).
- Disclose any potential conflicts of interest, including commercial affiliations, sponsorships, or other factors that may influence the content or delivery of the proposed presentation.
- ASMIRT encourages applications from members across diverse backgrounds, practice settings, and regions, including rural and remote areas.
- ASMIRT Board members, employees, and their immediate family members are ineligible to apply.

4. Selection Criteria – What Applicants Must Address

Applicants must complete all sections of the application form and submit a current résumé or curriculum vitae (CV). To maximise your chances of selection, clearly address the following key considerations:

- **Relevance:** Does the proposed topic address a current and significant issue in healthcare or medical radiation sciences?
- **International Appeal:** Is the topic likely to resonate with a global audience and promote meaningful cross-cultural dialogue?



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- **Presenter Suitability:** Do you have the qualifications, experience, and expertise to deliver this presentation effectively?
- **Ongoing Impact:** How will you continue contributing to this area of research, clinical innovation, or professional development beyond the presentation?

5. Applications

- All applications must be submitted electronically via the [online submission portal](#).
- Refer to Appendix 1 for a sample application form to guide your submission.
- Each application must include the following:
 - A current résumé/curriculum vitae (CV)
 - A proposed presentation title, abstract (up to 250 words), and a clear outline including presentation objectives.
 - A summary of prior presentation experience, including contact details for verification.
 - A declaration of any conflicts of interest, including vendor relationships or commercial considerations, with full disclosure.
 - Confirmation that the applicant understands and agrees that ASMIRT may share personal information with the ASRT Foundation for the purpose of administering the award.
- **Application deadline:** All submissions must be received by 8 November each year.
- Late applications will not be accepted.

6. Application Procedure

- Confirm your ASMIRT membership status, including the duration of continuous full voting membership immediately prior to the application. For verification, contact: membership@asmirt.org.
- Complete and submit the application form by the specified deadline.
- All eligible applications will be assessed and ranked by the ASMIRT Membership and Advocacy Committee.
- The Committee will review applications for alignment with the selection criteria and ensure that they meet the expected standard of excellence.
 - If no application meets the required standard, the Committee may recommend that no award be granted for that year.
- The Committee will submit shortlisted recommendations to the ASRT Foundation for final review and confirmation.
- The successful applicant will be notified by email and must formally accept the nomination and confirm their commitment to attend and present at the relevant ASRT meeting.
- The recipient will be publicly acknowledged through ASMIRT and ASRT Foundation communication channels, including websites, newsletters, and event-related promotions.



7. Assessment Criteria – How Applications Will Be Evaluated

All applications will be reviewed and assessed using the following criteria:

- Eligibility Compliance: Meets all eligibility requirements as outlined in the guidelines.
- Relevance of Topic: The proposed topic is timely, significant, and relevant to current healthcare or medical radiation science practices.
- Presentation Quality: Well-written, structured, and overall quality of the abstract, presentation outline, and stated objectives.
- Applicant Expertise: Demonstrated knowledge and experience in the proposed topic area and capability to deliver the proposed presentation effectively.
- International Impact: Potential to contribute to international collaboration and engage a global audience.

Note: Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

8. Time Frames

The following timeline outlines the key dates for the International Speaker Exchange Award process:

- October – Applications open. ASMIRT will invite submissions aligned with the designated conference for the following year:
 - 2025: Applications open for a medical imaging presenter for the 2026 ASRT@RSNA.
 - 2026: Applications open for a radiation therapy presenter for the 2027 ASRT Radiation Therapy Conference.
 - 2027: Applications open for a medical imaging presenter for the 2028 ASRT@RSNA.
- 8 November – Application deadline. All submissions must be received by this date. Applicants will receive confirmation of receipt via email.
- Late November – The ASMIRT Membership and Advocacy Committee will assess and rank applications.
- 1 December – ASMIRT submits its recommendations to the ASRT Foundation for final selection.
- Mid-December – The ASRT Foundation confirms the preferred speaker.
- Mid-December – The selected applicant is notified by email and must confirm acceptance of the nomination within one (1) week of notification.
- By 31 December – The selected recipient must submit the following to the ASRT Foundation:
 - A professional biography
 - Presentation abstract and synopsis
 - A high-resolution headshot



9. Award Details

Upon notification of a successful application, the recipient is required to complete the following steps:

- **Confirm Acceptance**
Accept the nomination and confirm attendance and participation at the designated ASRT meeting.
- **Speaker Information**
Provide ASRT Foundation speaker information (biography and headshot) and presentation details.
- **Travel Arrangements**
 - Submit a Travel Request Form to ASMIRT to coordinate flight bookings.
 - Hold a valid passport with at least six (6) months' validity beyond the intended travel period. Passport renewal costs are not covered by the award.
 - Ensure all visa requirements are fulfilled. ASMIRT is not responsible for visa costs or any expenses incurred due to visa denial or entry refusal to the United States.
 - Comply with any medical or vaccination requirements for travel. Related expenses are not covered by the award.
- **Travel Insurance**
 - Purchase comprehensive travel insurance at the time of booking.
 - To claim reimbursement, submit a Reimbursement Form along with a valid tax invoice.
- **Conference Registration**
 - Coordinate directly with the ASRT Foundation, who will provide complimentary conference registration, including access to any official social functions.
- **Accommodation**
 - Personally book and pay for up to five (5) nights' accommodation.
 - Prior to departure, submit a Reimbursement Form with appropriate tax invoices to claim eligible accommodation expenses (up to USD \$300 per night).
- **Travel Allowance**
 - Upon returning from travel, submit a Reimbursement Form to claim an agreed daily meal and incidental allowance for up to 5 days.
 - This allowance will be based on the ATO [Tax Determination TD 2025/4 for the 2025-26 income year](#). The amount is dependent on the recipient's annual salary (refer to ATO TD 2025/4, Tables 5–8).
- **If Unable to Attend**
Notify ASMIRT in writing as soon as possible if you are unable to participate in the program.



10. Award Requirements

As a condition of accepting the International Speaker Exchange Award, the recipient is required to fulfill the following obligations:

- **Submit a Reflective Article**

Provide a written reflection on their experience as the International Speaker Exchange Award recipient. This article will be considered for publication in *Spectrum* magazine or another official ASMIRT platform.

- **Acknowledge Sponsorship**

Clearly acknowledge their selection as the recipient of the ASMIRT International Speaker Exchange Award and formally recognise ASMIRT and the ASRT Foundation as the sponsoring organisations during their presentation and in all associated materials.

- **Include Provided Presentation Materials**

Incorporate an ASMIRT-branded slide in their presentation. This slide, which will be supplied in advance, must be used and includes a statement acknowledging ASMIRT as the sponsoring organisation and a disclaimer that ASMIRT does not endorse the content of the presentation.

11. Tax Implications

The liability of a Recipient for Income Tax is a matter for decision by the Commissioner of Taxation and ASMIRT has no responsibility or authority in the matter. Any allowances paid to Recipients are likely to be treated as assessable income. ASMIRT recommends that Recipients keep receipts for all expenditure during their Bursary and seek independent advice with respect to their eligibility for claiming tax deductions.

12. Disclaimer

The decision made by ASMIRT will be final, and no correspondence will be entered into. ASMIRT does not accept appeals to its decision.

13. Further Assistance

For further assistance or more information, please contact the ASMIRT Education Team:

- Telephone: (03) 9419 3336
- Email: scholarships@asmirt.org

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APPENDIX 1.

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Sample Application Form

This document is provided as a sample only!

Applications must be completed electronically through the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/IntSpeakerExchangeAward>

For full details, please refer to the Award Guidelines.

If you have any questions about this application, contact us at scholarships@asmirt.org.

PERSONAL DETAILS
First Name:
Last Name:
ASMIRT Member Number:
Address:
City:
State:
Postcode
Phone Number:
Email:
Discipline: ☐ Medical Imaging ☐ Radiation Therapy ☐ Nuclear Medicine ☐ Sonography
PRESENTATION DETAILS
Presentation Title:
The presentation will need to be tailored to the time limit set by the conference organisers, which is up to one hour. ☐ I agree
Presentation Abstract (up to 250 words):
Presentation Outline:
Presentation Objectives:
PRESENTER EXPERIENCE
List up to five previous presentations you have given, including contact information for verification.
Have you previously presented internationally? ☐ No ☐ Yes, please specify:



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Appendix 1 - Sample Application Form
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Please list any publications you have authored.

DOCUMENT UPLOAD

Please upload a copy of your current résumé or curriculum vitae (CV).

AWARD REQUIREMENTS

If successful, you agree to submit a written reflection on your international speaker experience, to be published in *Spectrum* or another ASMIRT platform?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If successful, you agree to acknowledge yourself as the recipient of the ASMIRT International Speaker Exchange Award and formally recognise ASMIRT and the ASRT Foundation as the sponsoring organisations during your presentation and in any related materials?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If selected, you agree to include a slide—provided by ASMIRT—in your presentation, which acknowledges ASMIRT as the sponsoring organisation and includes a disclaimer that ASMIRT does not endorse the content of the presentation?

☐ Yes

☐ No

DISCLOSURES

Do you have any potential conflicts of interest, including commercial affiliations, sponsorships, or other factors that could influence the content or delivery of your presentation?

☐ No

☐ Yes, please specify:

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By entering, each applicant agrees to indemnify, release and hold harmless ASMIRT from and against any and all claims and causes of action of violation of right of publicity, infringement of trademark, copyright or other intellectual property rights, arising from or relating to their participation in the ASMIRT International Speaker Exchange Program.

I certify that this application contains no misrepresentations or falsification and that the information given is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statements made herein will void this application and I will be ineligible for support from the ASMIRT.

I hereby authorise the release of all information contained in this application as may be required to determine my eligibility for an award.

I hereby waive my rights to review any documents pertaining to my application once submitted.

☐ I agree to the above terms, conditions and application rules.

PERSONAL DECLARATION

By selecting "Agree," I acknowledge that ASMIRT's main method of communication is via email and that the selected applicant may only be contacted via email. A deadline will be assigned for submitting post-acceptance materials in the email. I further understand that it is my responsibility to ensure all post-acceptance materials are completed by the specified deadline, or the award may be offered to an alternative recipient.

☐ Agree

Signature:

(typing your name to signify agreement is considered a valid electronic signature)