



Announcement Eileen McGowan Kelly Tribute Fund Scholarship to IFSW Joint World Conferences

The International Federation of Social Workers (IFSW) invites applications for this prestigious award from younger social workers or social work students who have a demonstrated interest in international social work. The winner will be funded to attend the 2010 Joint World Conference in Hong Kong

Eileen McGowan Kelly founded the Office of Peace and International Affairs in the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), USA, in 1989 and was its Director until she passed away in October 1996. Eileen did a tremendous job advancing the social work profession's role in the international arena. Her vision was to promote international links and exchanges for professional social workers and social work associations throughout the world. Realising the global impact of social issues and the significant role of social workers, Eileen worked with substantial knowledge, intense passion, and commitment to link social workers throughout the world with each other.

In close co-operation with NASW, the International Federation of Social Workers has joined with the Eileen McGowan Kelly Tribute Fund, established by NASW in 1997. By doing so, the international social work community honours Eileen's memory and stimulates the future social work generation to continue building links throughout the world. For each World Conference of IFSW, held every second year, professional social workers or social work students are invited to apply for the Eileen McGowan Kelly Scholarship. There is only one scholarship. The winner of this prestigious award will be funded to attend the World Conference and associated meetings.

The 2010 Joint World Conference on Social Work and Social Development will be held from June 10 – 14, 2010. The main topics are: **Together we build the agenda - Together we face the challenges - Together we thrive**

Application materials

The application information should provide information about

- the applicant's name, address, gender, and educational background and volunteer and work experience
- letter of recommendation from the applicant's social worker association
- personal resume
- personal statement that describes the applicant's personal work and aspirations for the future
- Statement, how her/his association and country will benefit from what she/he will learn at the World Conference

Requirements

Languages allowed for submission: English, French or Spanish,

The scholarship holder is expected to write a report focusing on international social work based upon their participation in the IFSW General Meeting and World Conference.

Submission

Applications should be sent in form of an email to the IFSW Executive Member, Barbara Molderings e.mail: ba.kl.molde@t-online.de.

The IFSW Eileen McGowan Kelly Tribute Fund Committee will select an applicant by mid of February.

Winner of the Scholarship

The winner of the Eileen McGowan Kelly Scholarship will be advised in mid of February 2010. The scholarship will cover discount air travel, accommodation, conference participation and daily allowances. The winner will be expected to stay from June 10 - 16, 2010 in Hong Kong at the 2010 Joint World Conference and the IFSW General Meeting. He/She is invited to attend the General Meeting as an observer.

We must receive applications not later than January 12, 2010.

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