WFSA Fresenius Kabi Anaesthesia Innovation Awards

Terms and Conditions

**Please note the application window is open from 18th March to 17th September 2022**

1. THE PROGRAMME ADMINISTRATORS AND FUNDERS

The WFSA Fresenius Kabi Anaesthesia Innovation Awards are being made and administered by the World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologist (WFSA) and funded by Fresenius Kabi AG.

2. THE AWARDS PROGRAMME

2.1 The title of the awards programme is WFSA Fresenius Kabi Anaesthesia Innovation Awards.

2.2 The aim of the awards programme is to identify innovations in the field of anaesthesia which have the potential to benefit patients worldwide through an open application process facilitated by the WFSA. Utilising the skills and vast experience of the WFSA Scientific Affairs Committee and the WFSA’s other specialist committees, the awards programme aims to select three awardees in 2022 and support them to develop their innovation in order to have a significant impact on patients. Innovations will need to be developed over a 15-month period. Awardees will be invited to present their innovations at the World Congress of Anaesthesiologists in Singapore in March 2024.

2.2 Applicants may submit an idea using the application form available at www.wfsahq.org for the chance to be awarded support for developing the innovation to market. Such support may include:

- A grant of up to $30,000 USD which must be spent on activities which will develop and help take the product or technology to a stage at which it is sufficiently developed to be attractive to follow-on funders or investors. Activities could include but are not limited to research consultancy, development of a prototype, small scale production, user testing, and marketing/business advice and will be determined in partnership with the WFSA Innovation Mentor.
- Input and feedback on their project from a panel of WFSA and Fresenius Kabi specialists
- A WFSA Innovation Mentor and Fresenius Kabi Business Mentor
- The opportunity to have a short promotional film made about their innovation
- An invitation to attend the WCA 2024 and contribute to the scientific programme

3. HOW TO APPLY

3.1 The application window will open from 18th March 2022 (the "Opening Date") to 17th September 2022 (the "Closing Date") inclusive.

3.2 All applications must be written in English and received by the WFSA through https://wfsagrants.awardsplatform.com/. All applications received after the Closing Date will not be considered.

3.3 Any submission must be innovative in that it must be a product, technique or technology which has the potential to transform the field of anaesthesia and improve patient safety worldwide.
3.4 By submitting an application, you are agreeing to be bound by these terms and conditions.

3.5 The entries will be shortlisted by the WFSA Scientific Committee with support from the WFSA’s other specialist committees on behalf of the WFSA and Fresenius Kabi based on conception, how the idea addresses needs, innovation, advantages, sustainability and potential.

3.6 Shortlisted applicants may be invited to do a telephone/skype interview.

3.7 The WFSA and Fresenius Kabi shall not be required to justify its decisions to applicants, the decision is final.

4. ELIGIBILITY

4.1 Applications will only be accepted from individual anaesthesiologists who are nationals or residents of countries that have a national or regional society membership of the WFSA. A full list can be found here: [http://www.wfsahq.org/about-us/national-member-societies](http://www.wfsahq.org/about-us/national-member-societies). An anaesthesiologist is a qualified specialist physician who has completed a nationally recognised medical training programme in anaesthesiology.

4.2 If the application made on behalf of a group, please choose one member of the group who would lead or represent the group.

4.3 In submitting your application, you confirm that you are eligible to do so. The WFSA may require you to provide proof that you are eligible to apply.

4.4 There is a limit of one application per person.

4.5 The WFSA reserves all rights to disqualify you if you do not have the rights to the submission that you have made and the subject of such submission.

5. THE AWARDS

5.1 No awards are guaranteed to be made as a result of this promotion and applicants acknowledge that awards are presented based on merit at the absolute discretion of the WFSA.

5.2 Awards are not negotiable or transferable.

6. WINNER ANNOUNCEMENT

6.1 The winners of the awards will be announced, at the discretion of the WFSA, on the WFSA and Fresenius Kabi websites, Twitter and Facebook.

6.2 The decision of the WFSA is final and no correspondence or discussion will be entered into.

6.3 The WFSA will contact the awardee personally as soon as practicable after the awardees have been decided, using the telephone number or email address provided with the application. In the event that the awardee cannot be contacted within four weeks of making initial contact, the award may be withdrawn.
7. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

7.1 Insofar as is permitted by law, the WFSA or Fresenius Kabi will not in any circumstances be responsible or liable to compensate the awardee or accept any liability for any loss, damage, personal injury or death occurring as a result of taking up the award.

7.2 The WFSA and Fresenius Kabi shall under no circumstances whatever be liable to any applicants, whether in contract, tort (including negligence), breach of statutory duty, or otherwise for any loss of profit, opportunity, indirect or consequential loss arising out of or in connection with the awards.

8. OWNERSHIP OF APPLICATIONS ENTRIES AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

8.1 You must own the intellectual property rights to the application and its contents and provide accurate and complete evidence of such ownership to the WFSA upon request to the reasonable satisfaction of the WFSA. Details of any limitations of rights must be detailed including third party licences and joint rights.

8.2 Application to this awards programme does not confer any rights or ownership upon the WFSA or Fresenius Kabi.

9. DATA PROTECTION AND PUBLICITY

9.1 If you are an awardee of the awards, you agree that the WFSA and the funder of the awards may use your name, image and town or county of residence to announce the awardee of the awards and for any other reasonable and related promotional purposes.

9.2 You further agree to participate in any reasonable publicity required by the WFSA.

9.3 By making an application, you agree that any personal information provided by you with the application may be held and used only by judges of the awards and the WFSA.

10. CONFIDENTIALITY

The WFSA has standard confidentiality agreements available for use within the awards process that are available upon request. Applicants who do not yet have patent protection for their applications are advised to take independent legal advice regarding the patent process and ensure that concepts are protected by confidentiality.

11. GENERAL

11.1 If there is any reason to believe that there has been a breach of these terms and conditions, the WFSA may, at its sole discretion, reserve the right to exclude you from participating in the awards.

11.2 The WFSA reserves the right to hold void, suspend, cancel, or amend the awards where it becomes necessary to do so.
11.3 These terms and conditions shall be governed by English law, and the parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales. Applicants meet their own costs in submitting the application. We may modify or withdraw the awards at any time. Participation doesn’t establish a business relationship between the entrant and the WFSA or Fresenius Kabi.

11.4 For help with applications, please contact the WFSA by email at amelia.crowther@wfsahq.org.