Crop scientists encouraged to apply for Farrer Memorial Travelling Scholarships

NSW Department of Primary Industries is calling for the next generation of crop researchers to apply for a scholarship to support and encourage them to expand their studies and international networks.

The Farrer Memorial Travelling Scholarships allows future leaders to research global best practice and to see how other countries are managing challenges in their primary industries.

The scholarships assist postgraduate students enrolled for a PhD in any aspect of field crop research.

Students are provided with the opportunity to attend and present at an international conference as well as visit research centres.

In 2016 scholarship winners travelled to various destinations including France, Japan, Switzerland and Korea, examining high level research relating to sorghum, barley, medicinal cannabis and biochar.

Travelling scholarships can be awarded up to the value of $5,000.

Applicants must be a:
- Postgraduate student enrolled for a PhD in any aspect of field crop research; and
- Citizen or permanent resident of Australia.

Student applicants should include their curriculum vitae, a detailed itinerary, a proposed budget for the trip, details of their research to be presented at the conference, and a supporting statement from their supervisor.

A detailed report on the conference and visits to research centres is to be submitted to the Farrer Memorial Trust and the NSW Department of Primary Industries on their return.

Selection will take place to allow travel to be undertaken between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018.

Applications, including a covering letter, must be lodged through the Dean of the respective student’s Faculty of Agriculture to reach Dr Alison Bowman, Secretary, Farrer Memorial Trust, Locked Bag 21, ORANGE NSW 2800 or submitted by email to farrer.memorialtrust@dpi.nsw.gov.au no later than Friday 2 June 2017.

For more information on the Farrer Memorial Trust and scholarship please visit: http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/aboutus/about/farrer-memorial-trust or contact the Secretary of the Trust via email: farrer.memorialtrust@dpi.nsw.gov.au

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