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To: Deans, Directors, Associate Deans, and Department Heads

From: Dr. Hans-Joachim Wieden, Associate Vice-President Partnership, Knowledge Mobilisation & Innovation 

Re: Conference Sponsorship Program- Deadline: February 15, 2026 at 4:00pm

We are writing to initiate another “Call for Applications” in our three (3) cycles of competitions per Fiscal Year for the Conference Sponsorship Program.

This cycle of applications will cover conferences occurring in **May 2026 – August 2026**.

Please note that applicants can apply outside the normal application window identified in the current application requirements when:

- A competition is being held to “Award the Conference Host” (i.e., having “secured funds” is advantageous in an external application/bid to an organization to choose the University of Manitoba as the host location for its conference) and where it is necessary to have a decision regarding “secured funds” to apply for hosting such an event; or
- It is necessary to have a decision in time to apply for external agency matching funds to support the conference.

Conference sponsorship applications will be prioritized based on a weighted combination of exposure (i.e., International to UofM) and attendance. Priority consideration will also be given to applications where financial support is provided by both the Department Head and the Dean/Director.

How to apply:

Application forms can be accessed electronically through the following [Faculty](#) and [Student](#) links.

Attached:

Guidelines for the Conference Sponsorship Program and Student Travel Support to Competitions.

For inquiries, please email conferencesponsorship@umanitoba.ca.