



The PAQS-Iwata Foundation 2021 Travelling Scholarship Competition

The Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors established the PAQS-Iwata Foundation in 2008 for the purpose of promoting the QS profession and the professional development of young quantity surveyors in the PAQS region. The Foundation is now sponsoring an international essay competition for young members from PAQS member countries.

The competition winner will receive travel airfares, 3 nights' accommodation and full registration for their attendance at the next PAQS Annual Congress which will be held from **11th - 15th November 2021** in Pasay city, Manila, Philippines.

Entries for the competition are now being accepted and will close on **Monday, 6th September 2021**. Properly completed essays should be emailed to the PAQS Secretariat at secretariat@rism.org.my

Entries will be judged by an international PAQS-Iwata Foundation panel who will announce the result by **4th October 2021**. The panel's decision is final.

The topic for the essay competition for 2021 is

Creating Smart Cities to Help Build the Future (Embracing Digitalization and Sustainability)

Conditions of entry:

1. Entrants must be 40 years of age or younger and be a member of their national QS/Cost Engineering institute (all grades of members are eligible).
2. The essay must have a cover sheet showing the entrant's name, residential address, email address and the member institute/association to which they belong.
3. The length of the essay is to be between 1,000 to 1,500 words and essays must be typed in accordance with the below rules.
4. All competition entrants agree to give the PAQS copyright for their essays.
5. Any plagiarism by an entrant will result in disqualification of the entry.
6. Entrants agree that if they win the competition, they will attend the PAQS Congress (and present their paper if invited to do so by the Congress committee).
7. The award is not transferable and not convertible to cash.
8. The winner agrees to write and submit a one (1) page report on their attendance at the PAQS Congress to the PAQS Secretary within 4 weeks of attending the Congress - this report may be published in the PAQS Newsletter and member journals/newsletters.
9. Entries must be emailed to the PAQS Secretariat at secretariat@rism.org.my by the closing date.
10. PAQS member institutes will be asked to translate essays into English where they have been submitted in another language.
11. A person is only allowed to win this competition twice.

Rules for essay writing and submission - entries are to be:

1. typed in a MS Word compatible program
2. with type font being Arial size 11
3. lines are to be double spaced
4. Headings are to be Arial size 16, centred and bold
5. Sub headings are to be Arial size 12, left indented and bold
6. Footnotes and referencing is to be in accordance with the Harvard system eg:
Smith, T. and Tang, H. (2006). The rise of globalisation in the QS profession. Australasian Journal of Quantity Surveying Vol 4 Issue 2, pp 34-36.

Note:

The PAQS-Iwata Foundation has been named in honour of Mr Toshiyuki Iwata (1914 - 2014) who although in his eighties, attended many PAQS Congresses during the very early days of the association. He attended a few congresses well into his nineties. During the 13th PAQS Kuala Lumpur congress in 2009, he gave a televised congratulatory message to the 2009 PAQS-Iwata Foundation essay winner.