

BRYOLOGISCH-LICHENOLOGISCHE ARBEITSGEMEINSCHAFT MITTELEUROPAS (BLAM)

10 Travel Grants for attending the 10TH Congress of the International Association for Lichenology (IAL 10)

The "Bryologisch-Lichenologische Arbeitsgemeinschaft Mitteleuropas" (BLAM) is pleased to announce 10 travel grants to support master's and doctoral students participating in the upcoming 10th Congress of the International Association for Lichenology (IAL 10) in Trieste, Italy.

The scholarships are reserved for master's and doctoral students who do not receive reimbursement of travel expenses from their institutions.

The grant consists of € 500.- to cover the IAL10 congress fee and to be used for travelling to the IAL10 and for accommodation costs during the congress.

Submission

Submission is open to master's and doctoral students currently registered for a master's or doctoral programme and whose research work is related to lichenology.

Application

Applicants should complete the form (Annex A) available at the end of this call and send it together with the required documents (see below), to ulrike.ruprecht@plus.ac.at until **December 31**st **2025** at the latest.

Applicants must provide all the following documents in English:

- Contact address, telephone, e-mail address
- Details of current registration for a master's and doctoral program
- Confirmation of the submission of a contribution (poster, flash talk or oral presentation) to the
 IAL10, which will be automatically generated and sent by the abstract submission system.

Selection

- 1. The evaluation panel is composed of two members selected by the Steering Committee of the BLAM.
- 2. The first 10 registrations will be considered; further registrations will be placed on a waiting list.
- 3. The judgment of the evaluation panel is final and will be based solely on the documents submitted.

Grant awarding

- 1. The awardee will be notified not later than February 28th, 2026.
- 2. The awardee must accept the award within 10 days of notification by sending a confirmation email to ulrike.ruprecht@plus.ac.at.
- 3. In accepting the grant, the awardee will be required to show his/her work by means of an oral presentation / flash talk /poster at the 10th Congress of the International Association for Lichenology IAL10 which will take place in Trieste, 26-31 July 2026.
- 4. If the awardee does not present his/her work in accordance with paragraph 3, he/she will not be granted the funding.
- 5. The awardee pays all costs in advance and will receive the amount of the grant (€ 500,--) after the event.
- 6. The awardee must be or become a member of the "Bryologisch-Lichenologische Arbeitsgemeinschaft Mitteleuropas" (BLAM).

Salzburg, August 12st, 2025

Bryologisch-Lichenologische Arbeitsgemeinschaft Mitteleuropas (BLAM)

ANNEX A

APPLICATION FORM FOR THE 'BLAM TRAVEL GRANTS IAL10'

The undersigned
and currently living in
 is currently undertaking a master's program which includes research of lichenological relevance and wishes to be considered as a candidate for the "BLAM Travel Grant IAL10" of the value of € 500,- which includes the registration fee to the Congress. is currently undertaking a PhD program which includes research of lichenological relevance and wishes to be considered as a candidate for the "BLAM Travel Grant IAL10" of the value of € 500,- which includes the registration fee to the Congress.
DECLARES
that his/her contact address is:
phonee-mail
and that he/she is currently registered for Masters' or PhD research about:
since (date: dd/mm/yyyy)
at (specify institution)
The study certificate and the confirmation of the submission of a contribution (poster / flash talk / oral presentation) to the IAL10 are submitted together with the present document.
Place and date
Signature

Fully compiled applications must be sent <u>by 31st December 2025</u> to the treasurer of the BLAM, Dr. Ulrike Ruprecht: <u>ulrike.ruprecht@plus.ac.at</u>

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