

## NFOG Fund report for 2013

The NFOG Fund was established at the NFOG General Assembly at the NFOG congress in Copenhagen in June 2010 with Special Enactment to the articles of NFOG.

The purpose of the NFOG Fund is to support further development of professional skills, research, and clinical and scientific collaboration in the fields of obstetrics and gynecology. The NFOG Fund's trust fund at establishment was 2.062.867 DKK. Sixty-six (66)% of the annual surplus, if any, of NFOG is transferred to the NFOG Fund. Each year an amount not exceeding the annual interests of the trust fund plus the average transferral from NFOG in the four preceding years can be donated. The applications are evaluated by the NFOG Scientific Committee (SC) who makes a written nomination for approval by the NFOG Board. Deadlines for applications are 1. March and 1. October each year.

Previously applications in various categories have been prioritized as follows: 1 Nordic collaborative projects, 2 Nordic speakers for national annual meetings, 3 Clinical visits within the Nordic countries, 4 Nordic courses, 5 Developing country projects, 6 Clinical visits outside of the Nordic countries, 7 Courses outside of the Nordic countries. Valid applications in the lowest category have been capped at 7.000DKK, but this maximum was increased to 8000DKK according to decision of the board in 2013.

**March 2013.** The budget for 2013 was estimated at 650.000 DKK. There were 18 applications, applying for 397.294 DKK and 17 were suitable for funding in total of 176.050 DKK. One application was rejected as it lacked a budget.

The SC discussed how to encourage applicants to follow the instructions about the applications.

**October 2013.** The budget available for grants was 564.654 DKK inclusive old grants not claimed/used. There were 31 applications asking for 1.302.683 DKK, 26 were found to be suitable for funding in total of 557.271 DKK. The reason for rejections were various, budget lacking, applications without the scope of the fund, meeting/course/visit already taken place, applicants not NFOG members.

### Number of grants in each category

Catgory		March	October
1-n	Clinical visits in Nordic countries	0	0
1-o	Clinical visits outside Nordic countries	6	2
2	Project developing countries	1	6
3-n	Courses in Nordic countries	0	3
3-o	Courses outside Nordic countries	7	7
4	Nordic collaborative projects	0	7
5	Society's meetings	3	1
		17	26

Further information on each grant can be found on the NFOG web page.

For further information on members of the SC and other tasks of the committee, se annual report of the NFOG SC 2013.

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