



## **A&SL National and International Library Conference Bursary 2017**

The A&SL Committee is pleased to offer A&SL members the opportunity to attend major national and international library conferences as part of their continuing professional development. The Committee intends to offer 1 bursary for conference attendance in 2017. The bursary will cover the costs of conference attendance, including conference fees and reasonable travel and accommodation expenses.

### **Library Conferences covered by this bursary include:**

- The LAI/CILIP Annual Joint Conference
- The CILIP ARLG Annual Conference
- Internet Librarian International
- UKSG Annual Conference
- LILAC
- IAML Annual Conference
- BIALL Annual Conference
- Any other relevant library conference may be suggested by the applicant

(Please note: Bursaries for the 2017 A&SL Annual Conference will be offered separately)

### **Regulations**

Applicants must be current members of the Academic & Special Libraries Section of the LAI. Students and the unwaged are welcome to apply. A&SL members who are attending conferences as speakers / presenters / poster presenters can also apply.

Conference must be attended in 2017.

The bursary winner will be expected to produce a short conference report which will appear on the A&SL website and/or in *An Leabharlann*. The winner will also be invited to share his/her learning experiences with other A&SL members at an appropriate A&SL event (e.g. A&SL AGM 2017)

When claiming travel and accommodation expenses, the bursary winner must provide the A&SL Treasurer with valid receipts.

If unable to attend the conference for any reason, we would ask the bursary winner to notify the A&SL Treasurer as soon as possible, as conference fees may not be reimbursed without appropriate notice.

## **Applications**

Please fill in the attached form (p. 3-4) stating your chosen conference, your reasons for wishing to attend, and expected learning outcomes.

Please include an estimate of costs of conference attendance (p. 4).

Please return completed applications to the A&SL Treasurer by the 18<sup>th</sup> of November 2016. E-mail applications to [aslsectiontreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:aslsectiontreasurer@gmail.com) or post to Laoise Doherty, A&SL Hon. Treasurer, Royal Irish Academy of Music Library, 36-38 Westland Row, Dublin 2.

All applications will be considered and the final decision will be made by the A&SL Committee. The bursary winner will be notified by the A&SL Treasurer by the 16<sup>th</sup> of December 2016.

## **Application for A&SL National and International Library Conference Bursary 2017**

**Name:** Elizabeth Murphy

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**Name of Conference:** National Acquisitions Group (UK) 7th Collection Development Seminar

**Location & Date of Conference:** Birmingham, Wednesday 17 May 2017

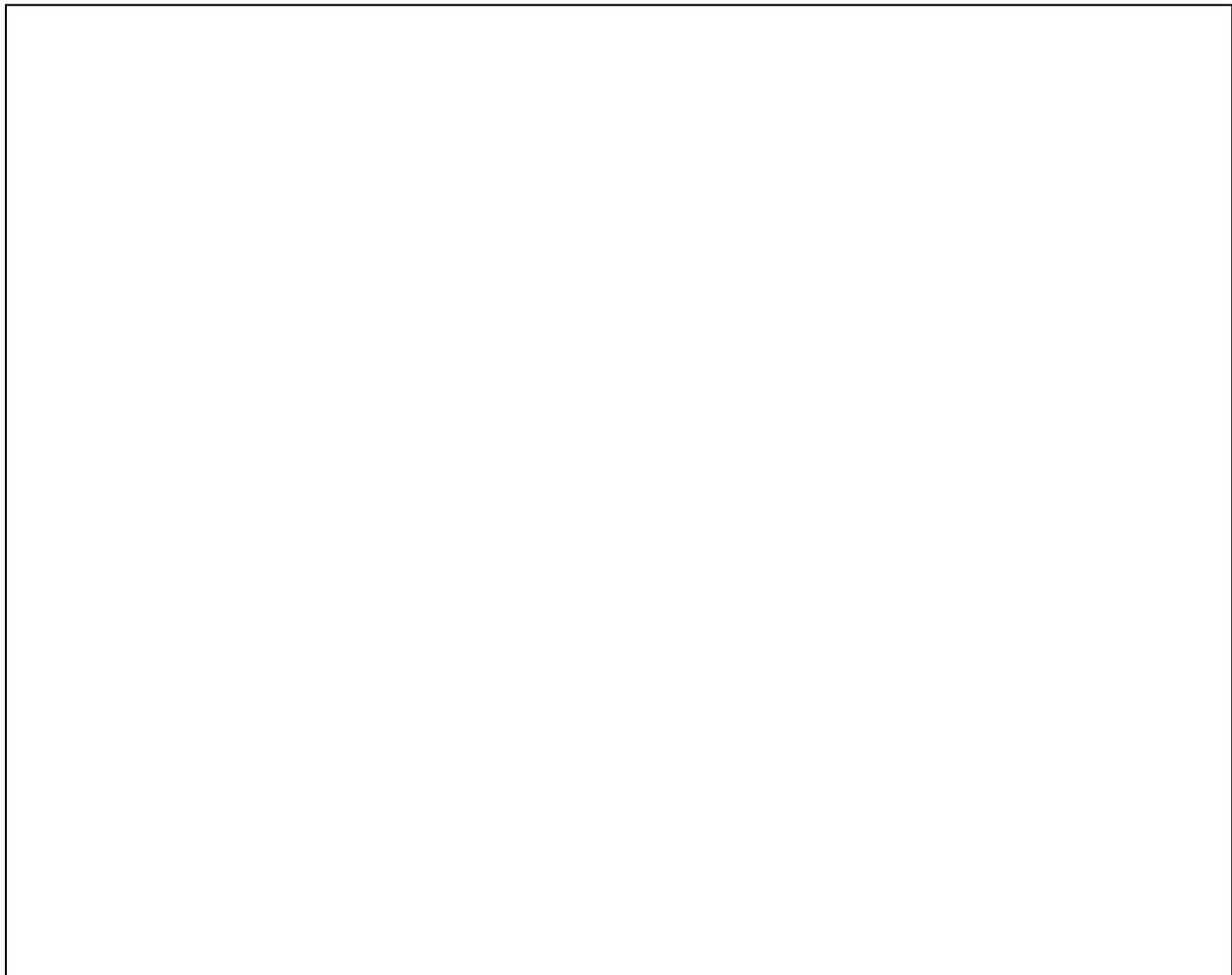
Please tell us why you would like to attend this conference and how it would support your professional development. (500 words max.) Please include an estimate of conference attendance costs.

Next year's National Acquisitions Group's (UK) 7th Collection Development Seminar for Academic Libraries will focus on academic library acquisition services.

This fits in with my role as Assistant Librarian with responsibility for General Collections and Finance where I manage a team of 12 staff responsible for the provision of essential and supplementary print and individual e-material in support of the teaching, learning and research curriculum. Furthermore, as a member of a strategic working group set up in the MU Library to explore new acquisition, budget and service models for the provision of collections, the seminar topic is of timely relevance. I have a keen interest in ensuring operational efficiencies that respond to both user needs and the ever evolving local, national and international landscape.

Another reason I have applied for this bursary is the opportunity to develop my presentation and writing skills. I would be delighted to produce a short conference report for the A&SL website and/or An Leabharlann and to share my learning experiences with other A&SL members at an appropriate A&SL event.

While the programme was not available at the time of writing (21.10.16), I feel that this day seminar is likely to be well worth attending and that there will be plenty of interest and relevance on which to report and share with A&SL members. Thank you for your consideration of my application for this bursary.



#### Estimate of Conference Attendance Costs

	<b>Amount</b>
Conference Fees	€200
Travel Costs	€120
Accommodation Costs	€100
<b>Total</b>	<b>€420</b>