IEEE Globecom 2006 Student Travel Grant Opportunity Sponsored by National Science Foundation (NSF) and IEEE ComSoc

Application Deadline: Sep 8, 2006

The IEEE GLOBECOM 2006 organizing committee is pleased to announce the availability of Student Travel Grants, sponsored by the IEEE Communication Society (ComSoc) and National Science Foundation (NSF). Applications are invited from qualified graduate students studying outside and in U.S. institutions. Grant Amount: Maximum of US \$1,000.

Applicants must be a co-author of a paper accepted at Globecom 2006. Awardees MUST present their own papers at the conference.

Two types of student travel grants will be available for IEEE GLOBECOM 2006:

- 1. From IEEE Communications Society (ComSoc-STG): ONLY Student Authors from outside Regions 1 7 of IEEE, i.e. outside of U.S and Canada;
- 2. From National Science Foundation (NSF-STG): Only Bonafide Graduate Students, currently enrolled in a Graduate Program in the United Status. *Students from under-represented groups, including women and minorities, are strongly encouraged to apply.*

How to Apply:

The application process is the same for both grants.

- 1. Registration at EDAS: go to http://edas.info and click "Travel grants".
 - For *student applicants residing in US*, please select Globecom2006, NSF Student Travel Grants (NSF-STGs)
 - For *student applicants from outside of US*, please select Globecom2006, ComSoC Student Travel Grants (ComSoc-STGs)
- 2. Provide the email address of the reference writer, in this case, the student's graduate advisor.
- 3. The student applicant should upload a single pdf file that contains:
 - A statement describing areas reflected in the Globecom 2006 program that would impact the student's research, why the conference attendance is important to the student, and why travel grant is necessary.
 - 2-page resume -- include a brief summary of research interests and accomplishments to date. Please also indicate if you are from under-represented groups (e.g., women and minorities).
 - For *student applicants residing in US*, please also include a completed W-9 form, available at:

http://www.ece.ncsu.edu/netwis/W9-Form.doc

*Note that all the materials should be sent in a single pdf file. *If you are not eligible as per instructions above, your application will be denied automatically.

The student's advisor's recommendation letter to the committee should include: degree program of the student; the suitability of the IEEE GLOBECOM 2006 program material to the student's

research area; ways this particular student would benefit from attendance at the conference; and the strengths and potential contributions of the student.

NSF Student Travel Grants (For student within the US)

- (a) Students who are more than two hours driving distance (non-local), the NSF-STG will cover the following expenses (up to a maximum of US \$1000):
 - * Economy airfare, on a US-based carrier, up to \$450
 - * Lodging for up to three nights (up to \$160 per night)
 - * Per-diem (\$46 per day for up to 3 days)
- (b) Students who are less than two hours driving distance (local), the NSF-STG will cover the following expenses (up to a maximum of US \$450):
 - * Lodging for up to two nights (up to \$160 per night)
 - * Mileage reimbursement at standard established rates
 - * Per-diem (\$46 per day for up to 3 days)

All payments for travel awards covered by this grant must be reimbursement only after the conference is over. All expenses must have an original receipt. For the airfare, a US Flag Carrier must be used and the original ticket stub included with the request (e-tickets can obtain a receipt at check-in), otherwise the expense is unallowable and not reimbursable. In addition, expenses for alcoholic beverages are unallowable.

ComSoc Student Trave Grants (ComSoc-STG):

The ComSoc Student Travel Grant is considered only for student members applying to conferences organized outside their ComSoc home region. Please refer to the following website for the definitions of ComSoc regions and eligibility conditions for the ComSoc-STG: http://www.comsoc.org/socsTR/documents/pp/pp 4 1 5.html

Please do NOT email the Technical Program or the Symposium Chairs. For any questions related to Student Travel Grants, please contact: <u>globecom2006-stg@comsoc.org</u>