

The ISPRS Foundation, White Elephant Torlegard and C.P. Lo Travel Grants for the Toronto Congress

The ISPRS Foundation (TIF) has granted a total of 28 awards to assist with travel expenses for students, young professionals, and geospatial practitioners from 17 different countries, enabling them to participate in the 25th ISPRS Congress in Toronto, Canada, scheduled for June 4-11, 2026. The Congress Organiser has graciously approved registration waivers for all recipients. Contributions from members of the White Elephant Club aimed at supporting deserving youth from developing nations facilitated the Kennert Torlegard travel grant for one candidate, while two applicants received newly established travel grants named after Prof. C.P. Lo and supported by a generous donation from Dr. Winnie Tang, Founder and Chair of Esri China (Hong Kong). In total, 31 recipients were supported to attend Congress 2026.

The total amount allocated for travel grants was 47,400 USD, with 42,200 USD provided by The ISPRS Foundation. One White Elephant Travel Grant of 2,000 USD was awarded to Mr. Zhongyuan Yang for his paper titled, "Flood Depth Mapping from SAR Imagery Using CS-Mamba with DEM Sensitivity Analysis." CP Lo awards of 1,600 USD each were given to Ms. Nur Hidayah Zakaria from Malaysia for her paper on "Windstorm Hazard Index Development for Malaysia" and to Ms. Hsuan-Yi from Taiwan in recognition of her work on "Observing the Phenological Characteristics of Winter Food Crops with Spectral Indices."

An evening reception for the travel grant recipients was graciously sponsored by ISPRS during the Congress. This reception was co-organized by STEP (Student and Early Professional) on July 9th.



Recipients of the first C.P. Lo Travel Grants funded by Dr. Winnie Tang are presented at the 2026 Toronto Congress





Recipients of TIF Travel Grants and Participants at the STudent and Early Professionals (STEP) Reception sponsored by ISPRS at the 2026 Toronto Congress