

## PAAS/Legacy Travel grant

The purpose of this award is to provide a promising recently qualified surgeon who is a citizen of an African country and is working in a hospital in Africa the opportunity to develop his/her skills in order to improve the range of clinical service. The grant will fund travel and subsistence to a centre of excellence with Africa.

Applicants must be fully paid up members of one of the following societies:

Association of Surgeons of South Africa (ASSA) [www.surgeon.co.za](http://www.surgeon.co.za)

College of Surgeons of East, Central and Southern Africa

West African College of Surgeons

Applicants must be within 5 years of qualifying as a surgeon in one of the following specialities:

General Surgery

Obstetrics and Gynecology

Cardiothoracic

Urology

The award will be given at the biannual Pan African Association of Surgeons meeting.

The applicants will be judged by a committee consisting of the President, Secretary General and area representatives of PAAS

The award is for up to €5000.

How to apply:

Email applications to the Secretary General of PAAS at [paul.goldberg@uct.ac.za](mailto:paul.goldberg@uct.ac.za)

Applications must include:

1. The application form
2. A letter motivating why you think you should receive the award.
3. CV
4. A copy of your passport or other identity document
5. A letter from the applicant's Head of Department or the Head of the Hospital stating that the skills that are likely to be developed are needed in the region and that the infrastructure is available to utilise the skills learned, or that the funds are available to purchase required special equipment if it is required.
6. A letter of undertaking to return to the country from where the applicant comes from for a period of at least 2 years after taking up the award.
7. A letter from the Head of Department of the institution where the applicant intends to spend the time stating that the institution has the facilities and expertise to provide the training the applicant requires.
8. Letters from 2 referees.
9. The applicant must sign an undertaking to present a summary of their experiences at a major meeting of one of the 3 organisations (ASSA, COSECSA or WACS) within a year of returning home.

# Application form: PAAS/Legacy Travel Grant

First Name

Surname

Postal Address

Institution where you work

Country where you work

Citizenship

Telephone numbers  
(Include country and area codes)

eMail address

Skills you wish to learn

Institution you wish to travel to

Letter of undertaking:

The President  
Pan African Association of Surgeons

Address

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Sir

I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby give you my personal undertaking that should I win the PAAS travel award, I will return to my country from where I applied for the award for a minimum of 2 years after taking up the award.

Yours sincerely

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_