

The Swiss Society of Ophthalmology (SSO)  
Commission for Ophthalmology in Developing Countries (CODC)  
Fellowship Application Form



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**PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING NOTING THAT YOUR APPLICATION SHOULD BE NO MORE THAN FOUR PAGES (EXCLUDING PARTS C, D AND E).**

**IF YOU WISH TO PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR  
PROJECT, THIS SHOULD BE AN ATTACHMENT TO THIS APPLICATION.**

**A. YOUR PERSONAL DETAILS:**

- Name:
  
- Address:
  
- Phone Number:
  
- Facsimile:
  
- Email address:

**B. YOUR RESPONSE TO SELECTION CRITERIA:**

*1. Demonstration of your commitment to and interest in international development work.*

You may, for example, wish to:

- Outline any international development work that you have engaged in which has inspired your commitment to such work.
- Detail any other experiences that you may have which have inspired your interest in international development work.

*2. Demonstration of your outstanding and appropriate leadership, teaching and personal skills. This includes a respect for cultural differences and an understanding of appropriate conduct/attitudes when working in the developing world.*

For example:

- Your contribution to the ophthalmic and medical community, your university, place of work, general community and/or family in the last five years.
- Any teaching experience that you may have had.
- Any other experience, etc. that may be able to demonstrate your excellence in communication skills, both oral and written.
- Any other personal skills that you consider relevant e.g. resourcefulness, ability to work within a team and independently, adaptability, resilience, an ability to cope when outside your comfort zone.
- A demonstration of your understanding of cultural issues, sensitivities and appropriate conduct e.g. gender awareness, environmental issues, when working in the developing world.

*3. Establishment of the ongoing benefits of the Scholarship both personally and to the practice of internationally ophthalmology*

For example:

- Demonstration of the benefits of the Scholarship to you.
- Other than the benefits flowing on from the Scholarship, details of any other benefits that may flow to the practice of ophthalmology in the developing world (i.e. what you could bring to the practice of international ophthalmology whether in Switzerland or internationally that has not already been covered in your application e.g. presentations, involvement in CODC or other such committees, etc.).

**C. GENERAL COOPERATION WITH CODC:**

The SSO-CODC requires its Fellowship recipients to, among other things:

- assist the SSO-CODC in any publicity surrounding your Project including participating in SSO-CODC's promotional activities and referring expressly to the support of CODC in any publications or media publicity; and
  - assist the SSO-CODC generally in its fundraising activities.
- Please advise in your application whether you agree to these conditions.

**D. CONFIRMATION (PLEASE INCLUDE THESE IN YOUR APPLICATION):**

- I accept SSO-CODC Scholarship Funding Terms and Conditions (as set out in the SSO-CODC Fellowship Guidelines).
- In particular, I accept that I am required to provide a completion report to SSO-CODC; and
- I certify that all the details provided in this Application are true and accurate in all respects.

**E. REQUIRED SIGNATURES**

Your Signature

Name:

Date:

Applications close on 31<sup>st</sup> of July of the current year. Completed applications can be sent to

Dr. Andreas J. Kreis, President of the SSO-CODC.

- Post – to Cabinet d’Ophtalmologie de la Planta, Rue de Lausanne 35, 1950 Sion
- Fax – to 027 323 60 93
- Email – to [andreas.kreis@unige.ch](mailto:andreas.kreis@unige.ch)  
(please send PDF files only and please ensure your PDF copy is signed).

All applicants will be advised of the final decision of the CODC as soon as possible after a decision has been made.