

## NGS-ATBC Workshop Announcement

### Interactive Grant Writing Workshop with the National Geographic Society

The National Geographic Society (NGS) will be hosting an in-person and interactive workshop to assist potential applicants in developing project ideas and application materials while fostering collaboration and innovation. This one-and-a-half-day workshop will be held June 30-July 1, 2018, in Kuching, Malaysia. NGS will cover the costs of one additional night's accommodation and meals on workshop days for workshop attendees. Space will be limited to 10 participants from IMCC and 10 from ATBC.

NGS grants are open on a quarterly basis. NGS funds applications in a wide variety of scientific disciplines focused on three main lenses: Changing Planet, Wildlife, and Human Journey. Grant opportunities fall under the constituents of conservation, education, research, storytelling, and technology. In addition, NGS hosts Requests for Proposals to address current environmental and socioeconomic challenges. For more information on what NGS funds, and for an application form, please see: [What We Fund](#).

Important: all workshop participants are expected to submit a workshop [expression of interest](#) and [grant application](#) (or previous application from the past two years) for review by May 1, 2018. Note: participation in the workshop is not required to apply for a NGS grant.

#### *Purpose of the Workshop*

The workshop is intended to provide information about and practice developing key attributes of a successful NGS grant. In addition, the in-person workshop will encourage collaborations across disciplines and sectors to help cultivate new ideas and innovation. The workshop will provide an opportunity for individuals to interact and help each other develop and improve project ideas, and connect potential grantees with NGS personnel.

#### *Attendee Eligibility*

- NGS welcomes workshop applications from individuals residing in these countries: Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Vietnam.
- All attendees must have completed and submitted an NGS grant application by May 1, 2018
- Previous applicants to NGS grant opportunities within the last two years are also strongly encouraged to apply (and do not need to re-submit a grant application, unless it is for a different project or they would like to).

#### *How to Apply to Attend the Workshop*

Participation in the workshop is by application and subsequent invitation only.

Please indicate interest by filling out this form here: <https://natgeo.tfaforms.net/59> and fill out the application online: <https://www.nationalgeographic.org/grants>.

Applications to participate in the workshop are accepted until 11:59pm May 1, 2018, EST. A sample application form is available:

[https://media.nationalgeographic.org/assets/file/NGS\\_Sample\\_Grant\\_Application\\_Jan\\_2018.pdf](https://media.nationalgeographic.org/assets/file/NGS_Sample_Grant_Application_Jan_2018.pdf) .

You will be notified by May 21 if you are successful. If your application is not accepted for the workshop, it will be considered in the next grant cycle (notification of funding in October).

#### *Workshop Details*

Location: The Waterfront Hotel, Kuching, Sarawak

Dates: Saturday June 30 (full day) and Sunday July 1 (half day). Note that June 30 will include workshop attendees who are also participating in the International Marine Conservation Congress.