

Hand Society invitation letter

UK Travelling Fellowship Scheme



Dear Hand Society,

Re: UK Travelling Fellowship Scheme for the London IFSSH, IFSHT & FESSH Congress

In 2022, the BSSH in collaboration with IFSSH, FESSH and IFSHT, will host the international IFSSH, IFSHT & FESSH Combined Congress in London (6th to 10th June). In conjunction with the conference, we are pleased to offer a number of international fellowships to visit Hand Centres in the United Kingdom.

More information can be found from the IFSSH website: <https://ifssh2022.com/#fellowship>

What is the UK Travelling Fellowship Scheme?

Hand surgeons (senior registrars, fellows and junior consultants within 3 years of independent practice, or equivalent) may apply to complete a 2-week observership at leading hand surgery units across the UK. The aim of the UK Travelling Fellowship Scheme is to promote excellence in hand surgery, support the development and delivery of high-quality care and to build global networks and collaboration.

Benefits:

- Two weeks at two or more UK hand surgery centres of excellence
- Online teaching programme from hand surgery experts
- Daily clinical observership timetable
- Fellows' buddy scheme with local senior hand surgeons in training
- Welcome events in London for all visiting fellows
- Access to the IFSSH/FESSH/IFSHT Congress in London
- Unrivalled networking opportunities
- Advice and assistance with travel, VISA and hospital logistics (Human Resources, Occupational Health clearance, etc).

Eligibility

The following two criteria must be met:

1. Surgeon with an interest in hand surgery.
2. Specialist trainee (surgeon in training, including senior fellows) or Consultant hand surgeon (or equivalent) within three years of independent practice.

Please see the application form, downloadable from the congress website, for further guidance, including reference requirements.

Funding

Funding for each applicant will be considered on an individual basis by the UK Fellowship Scheme organising committee. A small number of fellowship grants will be made available to those applicants most in need of financial assistance during their stay in the UK. The BSSH and the organising committee is grateful for the generous financial support provided by IFSSH, FESSH, BSSH, BFIRST and others.

Please encourage eligible members of your hand society or association to submit completed applications (including references) through the congress website (<https://ifssh2022.com/#fellowship>) no later than **1st October 2021** (23:00 UK time).

Yours sincerely,

Mr Jonathan Hobby

Programme Chair

On behalf of the UK Fellowship Organising Committee: David Shewring, Matthew Brown, Helen Wohlgemut, Alison Kinghorn, Stephen Hodgson, Jonathan Jones, Alex Nicholls and Wee Lam.

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