

**The BSPS Low- and Middle-Income Countries Initiative Application Form**

This initiative sponsors an annual visit by a demographer from a low- or middle-income country who gives a presentation at the BSPS Conference, where they also get the opportunity to meet and develop contacts with UK demographers. The overall aim is to encourage long-term collaboration and joint projects, and it is anticipated that contacts will already exist between the person to be funded, and a UK institution or UK demographers, & that other appropriate meetings will be arranged by the UK contact during the visitor’s stay in the UK.

The World Bank classification will be used to exclude applications from those working in High Income countries. See: <https://datahelpdesk.worldbank.org/knowledgebase/articles/906519-world-bank-country-and-lending-groups>

Criteria to judge between applications will be the country’s average income, the potential to encourage collaboration between that country’s demographers and demographers in the UK, the potential for long-term collaboration and joint projects, the existence of links that can be built on, and the fulfilment of budgetary and other guidance provided by BSPS.

Please complete the information in the following table before giving this to your UK co-applicant to fill in the second part of the form. The UK co-applicant should submit the application.

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| Name of LMIC visitor |  |
| **Address** |  |
| Email |  |
| Affiliation |  |
| BSPS member? | [ ]  Yes [ ]  No *It is not necessary to be a member prior to application. Should your application be successful, your next year of BSPS membership will be free of charge.* |
| **Have you previously received BSPS funding? Please give full details** | [ ]  Yes [ ]  No |
| **Please select the strand you wish to present under at the BSPS conference** | [ ]  Ageing[ ]  Critical Demography[ ]  Official Statistics[ ]  Families and Households[ ]  Fertility and Sexual and Reproductive Health[ ]  Health and Mortality[ ]  Historical Demography[ ]  Migration[ ]  Other, please specify:  |
| **Abstract for proposed conference presentation (max 300 words)** |  |
| **Author list for proposed conference presentation** |  |
| **Please outline your planned programme of activities in the UK, including names of institutions and people you will visit, and activities you will undertake (e.g. giving a seminar).****(Max 300 words)** |  |
| **What personal benefit do you anticipate from this trip?****(Max 200 words)** |  |
| **Full & itemised costing of funds required****(Max funds available £2,000. Note that BSPS will cover conference registration and accommodation separately)** |  |
| **Will any additional funding be required? How will you cover the balance?** |  |
| **Do you require a visa for entry to the UK?** | [ ]  Yes [ ]  No |
| **If yes, please explain how you will ensure you obtain a visa in time for travel.** |  |

The following information should be completed by the UK co-applicant, who must be a BSPS member.

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| Name of UK host |  |
| **Address** |  |
| Email |  |
| Affiliation |  |
| BSPS member? | [ ]  Yes [ ]  No  |
| **Have you previously received BSPS funding? Please give full details** | [ ]  Yes [ ]  No |
| **Names and affiliations of any additional co-applicants** |  |
| **Please explain your connection to the applicant and their home institution and why you are supporting this application****(Max 200 words)** |  |
| **Please explain the anticipated contribution to UK demography and BSPS of this visit****(Max 250 words)** |  |

The UK co-applicant should now submit this form to pic@lse.ac.uk, copying in the LMIC applicant, by the advertised deadline. Receipt will be acknowledged by the secretariat.