



PICES 2010 Annual Meeting
October 22-31, 2010
Portland, Oregon



Travel Funding Available for New U.S. Academic Participants

Requests for Travel Funds by new U.S. academic participants due 10 June 2010

Deadline for submission of abstracts to PICES, 1 July 2010

PICES, the North Pacific Marine Science Organization, is a leading international forum for the promotion, coordination, and dissemination of research on the physical, chemical, and biological systems in the North Pacific Ocean and adjacent seas. PICES' six member nations (Canada, Japan, People's Republic of China, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation and the United States of America) participate in all aspects of the Organization, with principal goals centered around increasing our understanding of the North Pacific Ocean. PICES activities include an annual scientific meeting that rotates among member nations, standing scientific and technical committees, and their subsidiary expert groups that address specific topics. In 2009, PICES initiated a new ten-year integrative science program on *Forecasting and Understanding Trends, Uncertainty and Responses of North Pacific Marine Ecosystems (FUTURE)*. In addition to undertaking and promoting scientific research, FUTURE will place additional emphasis on coastal anthropogenic influences, ecosystem forecasting, and engaging a broad user community with interests in North Pacific ecological and climate information. Information on PICES, its goals and activities can be found at <http://www.pices.int>.

How to Apply

Limited funding is available to support travel of up to three academic scientists to the PICES Annual Meeting. Funding comes from a NSF grant to Oregon State University matched by funds from PICES in support of capacity building. The goal is to encourage participation by researchers from U.S. academic institutions who may ultimately become involved in PICES activities. Strong preference will be given to scientists within 7 years of receipt of the PhD who are first-time PICES participants. Potential participants should submit abstracts for oral presentations or posters in one of the theme sessions. Those applying should communicate with **George Boehlert** (OSU-HMSC; email george.boehlert@oregonstate.edu) and provide a copy of their proposed abstract, a 1-page statement of reasons for attending and how they anticipate interacting with PICES in the future, an estimate of travel expenses, and a brief (up to 2 page) biographical sketch. A decision on funding will be announced in advance of the deadline for registration and abstract submission.

PICES 2010 will take place from 22-31 October at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland, Oregon. More specifics on the meeting are available at <http://pices.int/meetings/annual/PICES-2010/2010-background.aspx>