

NTCIR-18 / EVIA 2025 Call for Travel Support Application

(Due: 20th May)

Dear NTCIR-18 / EVIA 2025 participants,

We are pleased to announce that travel support is available for students and early career researchers. If you're interested in the opportunity, please read the following instruction carefully and apply as soon as possible.

ELIGIBILITY

Participants of NTCIR-18 Conference and/or EVIA 2025 who meet ALL of the following criteria are eligible to apply. Please contact us if you would like to know your eligibility.

- Oral and/or poster presenters (either at NTCIR-18 or EVIA 2025)
- Only one member per participating team
- Students and early career researchers (e.g. Post-Docs and young faculty members)
- Those who do not receive airfare from any other parties

COVERING POLICY

The travel support covers part of actual airfare cost only. The support has the upper bound as suggested below. However, you are expected to purchase an economical ticket so that more people can benefit from the travel support program. Flight must be between your place and Tokyo (including transits).

The upper bound of support is provisionally set as follows. This does not mean you should spend as much as the upper bound. Please read our covering policy (see above). The exact amount will be informed in a notification email.

- Europe: 150,000 JPY
- North America (East Coast): 120,000 JPY
- North America (West Coast): 100,000 JPY
- Australia/New Zealand: 100,000 JPY
- South-East Asia (e.g. Singapore): 70,000 JPY
- East Asia (e.g. China): 50,000 JPY

Please note that all amounts are subject to change at the end of the next month.

REIMBURSEMENT

Awarded amount will be reimbursed in cash (JPY) at the conference. No other means will be provided.

APPLICATION

Please send an email to us (ntc18-support at nii.ac.jp) with the following information and files. The subject of your email must be “NTCIR-18 Travel Support Application.” “Supervisor” can be your boss or line manager if you’re not a student.

- Your full name (on passport)
- Affiliation with country
- Your affiliation’s email address
- Position
- Full name of your supervisor with email address
- NTCIR-18/EVIA 2025 Registration Number
- Presentation title and author list
- Participated task and Team name (if applicable)
- Reference letter from your supervisor (optional but desirable)
- Copy of your e-ticket and airfare payment receipt
- Please write a statement that confirms that you do not receive additional airfare support from other sources. Reference letter supporting this statement is also desirable.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Application deadline: 20th May 2025 (Midnight JST)
- Notification: 28th May 2025
- Conference: 10th-13th June 2025

SELECTION POLICY

Selection committee members will review the applications and make the final decision with feedback from relevant task organizers where appropriate. Priorities will be given to students, oral presenters, and those who made significant contribution to the NTCIR-18 tasks (if applicable). Please note that the number of awardees will be determined based on the support received from sponsors.

NOTE

Please note that travel support awardees might be asked to help us running and supporting the conference as a member of volunteer staff (several hours in total).

CONTACT

Please contact us for any enquiry regarding the travel support.

- Email: [ntc18-support at nii.ac.jp](mailto:ntc18-support@nii.ac.jp)

NTCIR-18 Travel Support Team

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