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Agenda Item:  
Person Responsible: R Badhe

## **The SCAR and COMNAP Fellowship Scheme**

## Executive Summary (1 page)

**Title:** The SCAR and COMNAP Fellowship Scheme

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**Relevant URLs or references to other reports:** <http://www.scar.org/awards/fellowships/>

**Introduction/ Background:** Applications were received from more than 40 candidates, representing a total of 20 countries. The selection committee consisted of SSG/SRP Officers (or their representatives), members of the CBET group, representative of COMNAP, representative of APECS.

**Recommendations/Actions and Justification:** EXCOM are asked to approve the selection of the 2010 fellowships, based on the recommendations of the Selection Committee.

**Expected Benefits/Outcomes:** The Fellowship program is one of the key capacity building activity that SCAR undertakes

**Partners:** This was a joint effort with COMNAP. Further partnership is being explored with CCAMLR for 2012.

**Budget Implications:** Total budget for SCAR Fellowships is \$30,000, increase sought to 35,580 (4000 out of this will come from India's contribution to CBET activities)

## The SCAR Fellowship Scheme - 2011

### Subtitle

15th of May, 2011 was the deadline for applications for the SCAR Fellowships for 2011. The review board comprised of Ad Huiskes (SCAR VP), Alberto Navaio (SSG-PS), Pete Convey (EBA co-chair), Jose Xavier (CBET, EBA, SSG-LS), Takashi Yamanouchi (SSG-PS), Rasik Ravindra (SCAR VP, COMNAP rep., CBET), Mike Hambrey (SSG-GS), Allen Pope (APECS rep)

In total there were 39 valid applicants. To prevent any one of the evaluation team having to take on a large burden, the tasks were divided up, depending on the subject of both the reviewer and applicant. If the proposals were cross-disciplinary, they were looked at by reviewers from both disciplines.

Marks were based on:

- (i) High quality;
- (ii) Relevance to SCAR's SRPs;
- (iii) The work will help to build the capacity of those who need it most;
- (iv) The study is largely self-contained, rather than being part of a bigger project in which the applicant is a collaborator;
- (v) The study can be effected in the set time and could lead to a publication;
- (vi) The study helps someone from a country that is relatively financially stressed.

The Executive Officer calculated the average score according to the number of evaluators. This gave the scores and rankings the table below. Only the top 6 candidates are shown.

### The candidates' represented the following countries:

Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Chile, China, Denmark, France, Germany, India, Italy, Korea, Malaysia, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Russia, Spain, UK, USA

### They were proposing to go to the following countries:

Australia, Brazil, Chile, China, Denmark, Germany, Italy, Spain, UK, Uruguay, USA

### Recommendations:

Name	Citizenship	From	To	Score	Recom-mend?	SSG	Cost \$	Fund \$	Cum \$
R Antony	India	India	USA	37.8	Yes	GS/LS	11,200	10,580	10,580
D Velazquez	Spain	Spain	USA	36	Yes	LS	15,000	12,500	23,080
N Tilinina	Russia	Russia	UK	34.5	Yes	PS	14,000	12,500	35,580
A Marks	UK	UK	Italy	34.5	Yes	COMNAP	14,399		
LSantoferara	Argentina	Argentina	USA	35.33		LS	9,000		
C Havermans	Belgium	Belgium	Germany	34.83		LS	12,200		
E Sane	Spain	Spain	Germany	34.83		LS	15,000		

EXCOM are asked to approve the evaluators recommendation that SCAR offers the fellowships to R Antony, D Velazquez, and N Tilinina, allowing at least one fellow from LS, PS and GS. The total budget request is \$35,580. Based on the submitted applications, the EO recommends the initial allocations as given in the table above, though costs etc. should be checked with applicants and host institutions.