

Policy for the QTA travel award.

Purpose and goals:

- The travel award is meant to establish and nurture international collaborations for New Zealand in the area of quantum technologies. It will further the aims of QTA as evidenced by more joint PhD projects, more joint funding proposals and more joint research publications.

Eligibility:

- Named Investigators in QTA can apply. Beneficiaries can include students and postdocs working with a QTA investigator.

Selection criteria:

- Alignment with the purpose and goals of the QTA travel award.
- Preference will be given to those looking to develop projects with our six target countries (US, UK, Germany, Singapore, Japan and the Republic of Korea)
- Preference may be given to those not already receiving QTA Project Funds. Applications should state whether the travel award is related to a Main Tranche Funding application noting whether the travel award will still be required should the Main Tranche Funding application be successful (or otherwise)
- Preference will be given to applicants who haven't already made use of QTA travel awards.

Scope of funding

- Each award would normally be limited to airfares and a week of accommodation and expenses. Seeking co-funding is encouraged, and applications for more than \$5,000 are less likely to be approved.
- Travel that is only for conference attendance will not normally be supported.