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Mrs. Katy Thorne, AES Secretariat.

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Application for travel bursary for the Agricultural Economics Society (AES) Conference

I am applying for the AES bursary award to assist me in funding the 97th Annual Conference of the Agricultural Economics Society, scheduled to hold at the University of Warwick, United Kingdom, 27th – 29th March 2023. I have made two attempts in the past to attend AES conferences but all to no avail. The first attempt was in 2020, when I secured a TETFUND grant of 1.4m to attend AES 2020 Conference before the conference was cancelled due to the outbreak of corona virus. In 2021, I attended AES online conference, where I presented a paper titled: The influence of public relations on food security of cocoa marketers in Ondo state, Nigeria. In 2022, I made another attempt to attend AES conference physically, and my paper titled: Analysis of discount pricing and marketing of processed catfish in Kwara state, Nigeria was accepted for presentation. Unfortunately, the Nigerain Naira has depreciated greatly against dollar or pound sterling. Consequently, I could not afford to pay for air ticket, registration and accommodation. In 2022, I applied for travel bursary too, but was turned down.

I am willing and excited to attend AES Annual Conference, 2023, if I am accepted to your bursary program. Thank you very much for considering me for the bursary. I appreciate any opportunity which helps me achieve my academic and career goals.

Thank you for your anticipated co-operation.

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