



# The PAQS-IWATA Foundation 2012 Travelling Scholarship Competition

The Pacific Association of Quantity Surveyors (PAQS) established the PAQS - Iwata Foundation for the purpose of promoting the QS profession and the professional development of young quantity surveyors in the PAQS region. Therefore, the Foundation is now sponsoring an international essay competition for young QS from PAQS member countries.

The competition winner will receive travel, accommodation and full registration for their attendance at the next PAQS Annual Congress which will be held in Brunei from 7-10 July 2012.

The winning entrant will be invited to observe the pre-congress PAQS Board meetings and take part in official social networking functions.

Entries for the competition are now being accepted and close on Monday 16 April 2012. Properly completed essays should be emailed to the PAQS Secretariat at [secretariat@rism.org.my](mailto:secretariat@rism.org.my)

Entries will be judged by a PAQS-Iwata Foundation panel who will announce the result by 15 May 2012. The panel's decision is final.

The topic for the essay competition is:

## “Innovation And Sustainability: Challenges And Opportunities”

### Conditions of entry:

1. Entrants must be 40 years of age or younger and be a member of their national QS/Cost Engineering institute (all grades of members are eligible).
2. The essay must have a cover sheet showing the entrant's name, residential address, email address and the member institute/association to which they belong.
3. The length of the essay is to be between 1,000 to 1,500 words and essays must be typed in accordance with the below rules.
4. All competition entrants agree to give the PAQS copyright for their essays.
5. Any plagiarism by an entrant will result in disqualification of the entry.
6. Entrants agree that if they win the competition that they will attend the PAQS Congress (and present their paper if invited to do so by the Congress committee).
7. The award is not transferable and not convertible to cash.
8. The winner agrees to write and submit a one (1) page report on their attendance at the PAQS Congress to the PAQS Secretary within 4 weeks of attending the Congress - this report may be published in the PAQS Newsletter and member journals/newsletters.
9. The winning essay may also be submitted to the ICEC for entry in the K Humphreys Awards.
10. Entries must be emailed to the PAQS Secretariat at [secretariat@rism.org.my](mailto:secretariat@rism.org.my) by the closing date.
11. PAQS member institutes will be asked to translate essays into English where they have been submitted in another language.

### Rules for essay writing and submission - entries are to be:

1. typed in a MS Word compatible program
2. with type font being Arial size 11
3. lines are to be double spaced
4. Headings are to be Arial size 16, centred and bold
5. Sub headings are to be Arial size 12, left indented and bold
6. Footnotes and referencing is to be in accordance with the Harvard system eg:  
*Smith, T. and Tang, H. (2006). The rise of globalisation in the QS profession. Australasian Journal of Quantity Surveying Vol 4 Issue 2, pp 34-36.*

### Note:

The PAQS - Iwata Foundation has been named in honour of Mr Toshiyuki Iwata. Mr Iwata is a Japanese quantity surveyor and member of the Building Surveyors Institute of Japan, who although in his eighties, started attending the PAQS Annual Congresses in the very early days of the association in the mid 1990's. He managed to attend all the PAQS Congresses until just recently when ill health prevented him. He still takes a keen interest in the QS firm that he founded and in the PAQS. During the 13<sup>th</sup> PAQS Kuala Lumpur congress in 2009, he gave a televised congratulatory message to the 2009 PAQS-Iwata Foundation award winner.