We are happy to announce travel awards for students (BSc, MSc, PhD) and seniors. The travel awards are offered by Alces and the full amount is 4000 $ (CDN) for students and 1200 $ (CDN) for seniors.

**STUDENTS / NEWCOMERS:**

**Eligibility.** In an effort to encourage new attendees to join the 9th International Moose Symposium, Alces will provide up to $4,000.00 CDN to the local organizing committee to cover the costs associated with attendance at the meeting for young researchers. It is expected that employers or sponsors of the applicants will also assist with travel costs. The applicants must be registered students at BSc, MSc or PhD level. Priority will be given to individuals who have never attended a Moose Conference or have attended only once, and who wish to prepare a manuscript and present a paper at the annual meeting. This could include government or private agency biologists/managers, faculty and graduate students at a university, or anyone newly established and anxious to report results of original research that is related to the conference themes.

**Amount.** Payment will be made for travel and related expenses, documented by receipts, shortly after the Symposium. That is, the recipient will be reimbursed based on the actual costs. The applicant must give details about the amount of funding he/she requests for the travel costs. The committee can decide the number of travel awards that will be granted.

**How to submit?** Applicants must submit their abstracts via the abstract submission portal at: https://www.lyyti.fi/p/Moose2020/en/abstract_submission

In addition, it is strongly recommended that this abstract is extended into a manuscript to be published in the conference Special Issue at Alces journal (tick the box in the submission portal). The abstracts will be judged on the basis of data originality, ideas, interpretation, accuracy, conciseness, clarity, appropriate subject matter, and contribution to the existing literature.

In addition, the applicants must indicate their interest in being considered for the "Newcomers Travel Award" competition in a brief covering letter describing past symposia attendance, student status, and any expected support from other sources. **This letter** must be submitted to the local Organizing Committee at hirvi2020@luke.fi with the subject line reading “Travel Award – Student/Newcomer”. Tell here also the title of the talk (no need to double send the abstract)

**Deadline for abstract submission is the normal deadline, 31st of March.** The committee will then review the papers, and the notification of acceptance will be sent to the award winners so that they can still register with the early-bird rate.
"SENIOR'S" TRAVEL AWARD ($1,200.00 CDN)

In recognition of the potential for retired moose biologists to continue to contribute to our knowledge and understanding of moose ecology, Alces will pay up to $1,200.00 CDN of the costs associated with attending the 9th International Moose Symposium to a retiree who will present a paper for presentation and a possible publication in the journal Alces.

Eligibility. A retired researcher or manager is someone who is no longer formally associated with a supporting agency or institution, and who wishes to prepare a manuscript and present a paper at the annual meeting. Priority will be given to an individual who has made a significant contribution to the study of moose and their related ecology and who has been a supporter of the North American Moose Group and the journal Alces.

Amount. Payment up to a maximum of $1,200.00 CDN will be made for travel and related expenses, documented by receipts, shortly after the Conference.

How to submit? Applicants must submit their abstracts via the abstract submission portal at: https://www.lyyti.fi/p/Moose2020/en/abstract_submission

In addition, it is strongly recommended that this abstract is extended into a manuscript to be published in the conference Special Issue at Alces journal (tick the box in the submission portal). The abstracts will be judged on the basis of data originality, ideas, interpretation, accuracy, conciseness, clarity, appropriate subject matter, and contribution to the existing literature. New and inciteful reviews are also eligible.

In addition, the applicants must indicate their interest in being considered for the "Senior's Travel Award" competition in a brief covering letter describing past symposia attendance, “seniority” status, and any expected support from other sources. This letter must be submitted to the local Organizing Committee at hirvi2020@luke.fi with the subject line reading “Travel Award – Senior”. Tell here also the title of the talk (no need to double send the abstract)

Deadline for abstract submission is the normal deadline, 31st of March. The committee will then review the papers, and the notification of acceptance will be sent to the award winners so that they can still register with the early-bird rate.