

Board Paper 2010.5

Introduction of a registration fee for Young Scholars and Paper presenters

Background:

At the fourth CPR*south* Board Meeting held in Negombo, the administrative partner sought a mandate to conduct an evaluation of the CPR*south* programme using the methodology, Utilisation Focused Evaluation (UFE). The mandate was granted.

The evaluation has now been concluded and the findings show that a majority of past participants (or their organisations) who took part in the survey are willing to pay a registration fee to participate at the conference.

Proposal:

Based on the evidence from the evaluation, it is proposed that a nominal registration fee of USD 150 and USD 200 be charged from the Young Scholars and paper presenters respectively for taking part in the conference.

The fee will contribute towards to USD 22,000 that needs to be raised every year.

The draft evaluation report is attached as Annex to Board Paper 4.