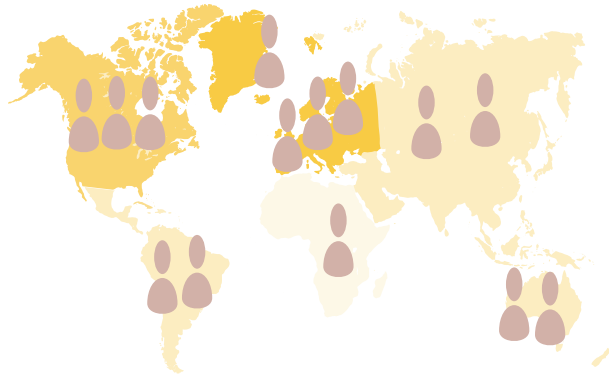


# Survey on early career travel support shows geographic, career stage, and indigenous status inequality in access to polar science events

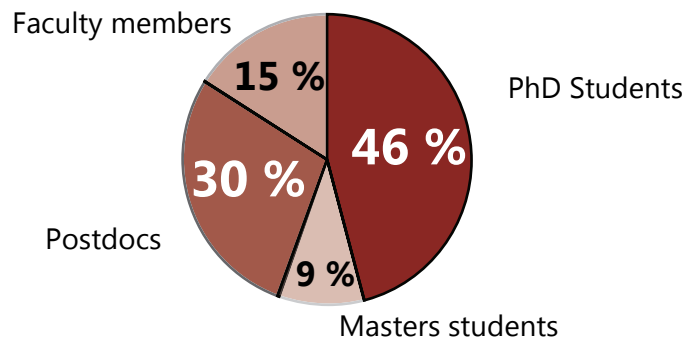
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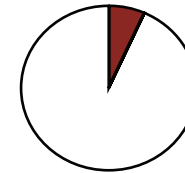
**1** 190 responses coming from 38 countries



**2** More than 70 % of the respondents were PhD Students and Post-Docs






**3** 5 % were indigenous or northern community members



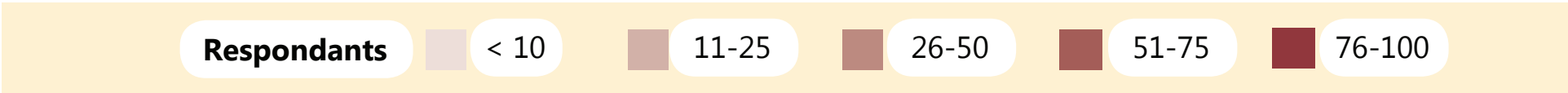
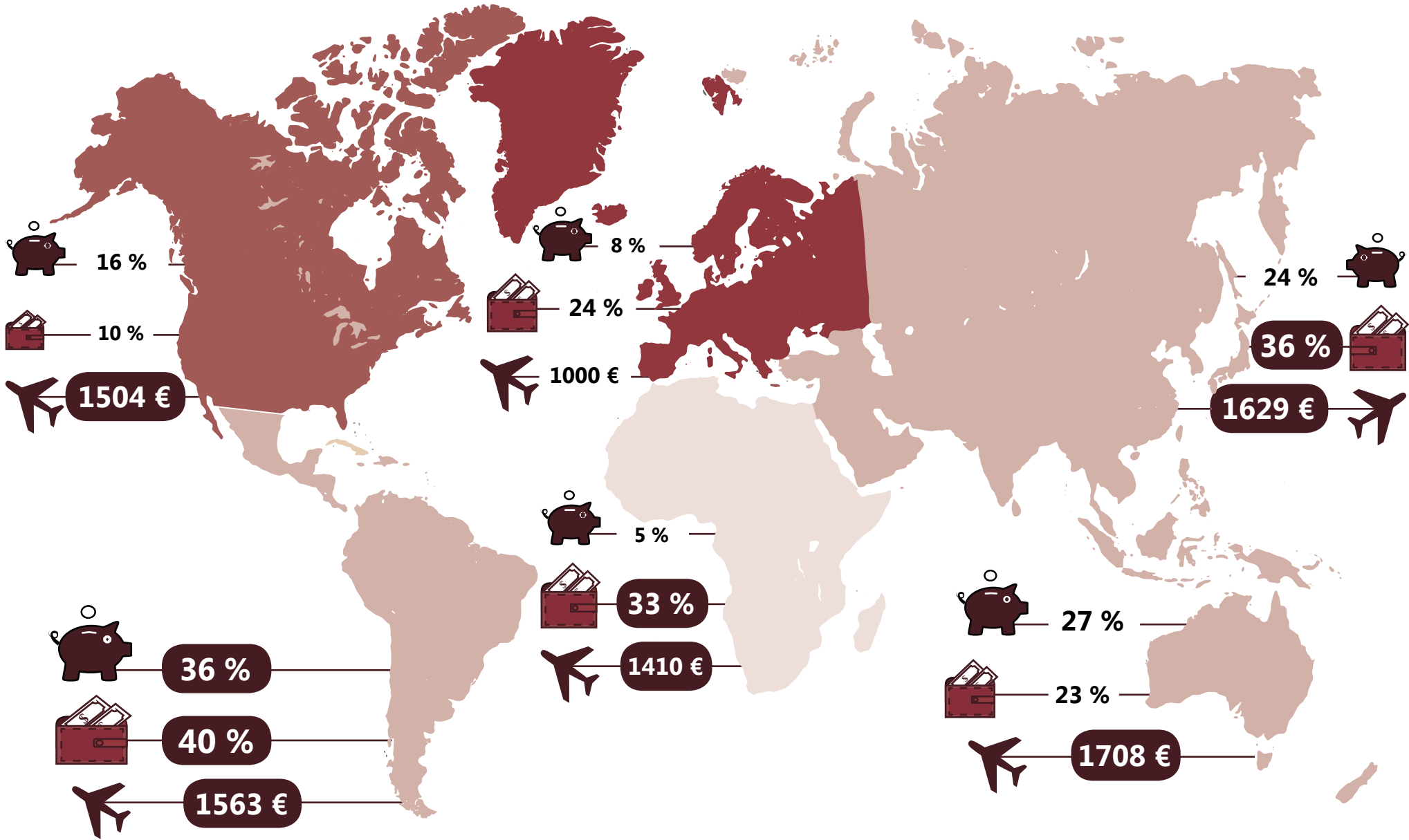
**4** € 1312 is the average cost per trip 

**5** Conferences were the most popular research-related type of travels



-  People using personal funds
-  People needing a travel advance
-  Average cost per trip

# GEOGRAPHY



# INDIGENOUS

Indigenous people

Non-indigenous people



44 %

14 %



40 %

22 %



1214 €

1320 €

# CAREER STAGE

Master students

PhD students

Post- Docs

Faculty members



41 %

12 %

10 %

13 %



38 %

24%

15 %

19%



€ 1260

€ 1190

€ 1370

€ 1750

Respondants

< 10

11-25

26-50

51-75

76-100

# TAKE HOME MESSAGE

1

## **EARLY NOTIFICATION**

Low ticket prices, visas and early registration require funding decisions to be made early

2

## **TRAVEL ADVANCES**

Many ECRs do not have the funds to cover travel costs out of pocket and wait for reimbursement

3

## **EXTRA COSTS**

For early career researchers with young families, the costs of childcare can be a reason to not attend a research related event

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