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

**Respondants**
- < 10
- 11-25
- 26-50
- 51-75
- 76-100

**People needing a travel advance**
- 16%
- 10%
- 36%
- 40%

**Average cost per trip**
- 1504 €
- 1563 €
- 1410 €
- 1708 €
- 1629 €
### Indigenous People
- Students: 44%
  - Master: 41%
  - PhD: 40%
- Faculty: 10%
- Post-Docs: 13%

### Career Stage
- Master Students: €1,260
  - Indigenous: 41%
  - Non-Indigenous: 38%
- PhD Students: €1,190
  - Indigenous: 12%
  - Non-Indigenous: 24%
- Post-Docs: €1,370
  - Indigenous: 10%
  - Non-Indigenous: 15%
- Faculty: €1,750
  - Indigenous: 13%
  - Non-Indigenous: 19%

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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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