



**Seeking Expression of Interest from the VAPAC membership for 1-2 members of VAPAC Technical Managers Network to attend the TechWest TMN Conference in Subiaco WA from 9th & 10th April 2018
(Travel, accommodation and conference expenses to the value of \$2,000 ex GST for each successful applicant to be provided by VAPAC)**

1. Introduction

The VAPAC 2010 – 2012 Strategic Plan identifies THREE GOALS for the organisation:

1. Networks and Partnerships - To sustain and develop networks in the performing arts sector and create, maintain and strengthen strategic partnerships with key stakeholders.
2. Practice - To support, share, inform and encourage best practice in performing arts venue development, management and performing arts presentation.
3. Leadership - To work with and influence stakeholders in the development of leading, innovative, and responsive policy and practices in the presentation of performing arts.

Under **Practice**, initiative 2.1.2 states:

Provide appropriate Professional Development opportunities.

The VAPAC Technical Managers Network Executive have identified the TechWest TMN Conference in Subiaco WA from 9th & 10th April 2018 as an appropriate Professional Development opportunity for its members and offers the opportunity for a 1-2 members to attend the conference with the provision of up to \$2,000 towards the cost of travel, accommodation and conference registration.

The eligible applicants must meet the following criteria:

- The Performing Arts Centre is a full VAPAC member.
- Application not available to non-Centre Members.
- The applicant must be the only member from a Performing Arts Centre attending the conference.
- The applicant must be the Technical Manager or similar role and have responsibility for the Technical Operations at their venue, with a view to understanding, and participating in discussions based on improving communication and mutual support of current Technical Managers associations/networks within Australia.
- The applicant must have demonstrated support of their Manager/Supervisor to attend the conference which includes interstate travel.
- The applicant must be willing to represent VAPAC on behalf of VAPAC with the intent to fulfil the TMN's mission statement "To share information, discuss current topics and formulate recommendations for the betterment of the theatre industry in Victoria and Tasmania"
- The applicant maybe required to present a 30 minute discussion to the conference attendees on behalf of VAPAC TMN.

The successful applicants will be required to present their experience to the next appropriate VAPAC Technical Manager's Network meeting and submit a brief written report to the VAPAC executive.



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2. Application

Name:

Position:

VAPAC Centre:

Why do you wish to attend the Conferences?

What are you hoping to get out the conferences?

Applicant's signature _____

Date: _____

3. For completion by Manager / Supervisor

Please provide a brief summary of your background in support of your application:

Manager / Supervisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

EOI should be submitted by **Friday 2nd March 2018, 5pm** to:

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