



## **Opportunity to present a paper at the 126<sup>th</sup> Annual Congress of the Japan Surgical Society 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, April 2026, Sendai, Japan**

COSECSA has received the very generous offer from the Japanese Surgical Society to invite three young surgeons to present a paper presentation at their Annual Congress in April 2026. The Japanese Surgical Society will arrange for free participation in the congress and a stipend of \$4,000 per person to cover travel, accommodation and other expenses.

**The time frame for this opportunity is very short. Therefore, only those with complete projects, papers, and presentations should apply.**

### **Who is eligible?**

- COSECSA FCS trainees in their final year of training (Examination for FCS in 2025).
- Fellows of the college who have completed full COSECSA training and have been awarded Fellowship status in 2023 or 2024.

*Previous winners of Lindsay Stewart awards, and recipients of COSECSA/RCSI research grants are encouraged to apply.*

### **Which research papers are acceptable?**

All papers should represent original scientific research. Single case reports will not be considered. Papers highlighting the effectiveness of COSECSA training, or papers related to conditions unique or common to the COSECSA region will be given priority. All projects must fully be completed at the time of submission.

### **Required submission materials.**

Title of Paper  
Abstract (limited to 250 words)  
Complete PowerPoint presentation for review  
CV  
Supervisor Reference  
Motivation Letter

### **Time line**

All materials must be submitted to the COSECSA Education Officer by 25<sup>th</sup> August 2025.  
The selection process will be completed by the end of September, and recipients will be notified. All recipients must have a valid passport and have permission from their institution to travel to Japan during the specified time.

Applications should be sent through  
<https://forms.gle/LQVb7C55CqFw1hty5>



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