The purpose:

These grants aim to promote geographical diversity in relationship research in general and the International Association for Relationship Research (IARR) in particular. We offer up to two small grants (1000 USD each) to relationship scholars who are residing in countries that are underrepresented in the IARR's current membership base. We welcome proposals from scholars across all career stages (graduate student or post-PhD) and disciplines (e.g., communication, psychology, sociology).

Who is eligible to apply?

- Applicants must be IARR members in good standing of this application deadline.
- Applicants must currently reside in countries that are underrepresented in the IARR's membership base (you may check eligible countries here). Please note that eligibility is determined by applicants' current country of residence, not nationality. The country of residence will be based on the location of the applicant's institution at the time of this application deadline.
- The project for which the application is made should fall within the area of interpersonal and social relationship research.
- Priority will be given to applicants who have limited or no access to research funds in their current institution (with the exclusion of the applicant's salary, if any, to cover the applicant's living expenses). Applicants should list in the application the type and amount of any research funding they have access to.
- Individuals currently serving in the IARR administration or committees are not eligible to apply.
- Individuals who previously received a research grant from the IARR are not eligible to apply.

Timeline:

- Please send your application to the Chair of the Internationalization Committee, Silvia Donato, at silvia.donato@unicatt.it by May 15th 2024.

Application document:

- Please, submit a research proposal as a Word document (1000 words max. excluding tables, figures, and references). The proposal must include:
    - Title of the proposal
    - Your name, affiliation, and contact information, names and affiliations of co-investigators (if any)
    - A short abstract
    - Research questions/hypotheses and their justification, significance of the research for relationship science
    - Methodology (including sample characteristics and size, statistical power, description of measures and research design, data analytic plan)
        - Successful applicants will be required to preregister their study on the OSF to receive the funding: https://osf.io/prereg
        - To foster geographical diversity in relationship research, we ask applicants to recruit at least one sample from their country of residence. The country of

residence will be based on the location of the applicant's institution at the time of this application deadline.
- o Timeline and budget
    - The budget (1000 USD) should be used for activities essential to conducting the research including participant recruitment, participant payments, purchase of supplies, etc.
    - The research should be completed within 1-2 years.
- o A brief description of why the applicant needs the funds (please also indicate your history of research funding, with indication of type and amount of research fundings received)
- o A brief description of how the proposal will help enhance geographical representation

Requirements:

- Once the project is completed, awardees will be asked to:
    - o submit a short report to IARR about the results to the Internationalization Committee Chair;
    - o post their data on the OSF;
    - o present the work in an IARR conference;
    - o send it for publication (if successful);
    - o acknowledge the grant in publications and presentations of project findings;
    - o submit an itemized expenditure report of the grant to the IARR treasurer.

Award criteria:

- Excellence of the research proposal (criteria include: quality, feasibility, appropriateness of the budget and timeline, commitment to open practices, and geographical diversity)
- Applicant's access to funding.

Evaluation:

- Applications will be evaluated by the Internationalization Committee based on the award criteria.