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Welsh Government Innovation offers you the opportunity to apply to join a delegation of Welsh organisations to attend the [**IoT Solutions World Congress**](https://www.iotsworldcongress.com/)

**Date:** 31st January – 2nd February 2023

**Location:** Barcelona, Gran Via Venue Hall 4

**Support:** Conference attendance, hotel and travel costs will be **100% funded** by Welsh Government

The event has established itself as a leading global event for industry transformation, based on **disruptive technologies such as IoT, AI, Digital Twin, Edge Computing, AR/VR and more**.

The 2023 event will showcase game-changing solutions & technologies that are disrupting and transforming industry.

**Relevant for:** Technology developers, end users of technologies listed above.

Particularly those in the following sectors:

Manufacturing, Healthcare, Energy/Utilities, Smart Buildings/Cities, Connected Transportation

**Closing date:** Midday on 18th November 2022

**Open to:** Businesses, Research organisations, Public sector organisations

**Application process**: Email completed applications to [SmartInnovation@gov.wales](mailto:SmartInnovation@gov.wales)

**Application to join Welsh Government led delegation**

**IoT Solutions World Congress**

**Barcelona, 31st January – 2nd February 2023**

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| **Organisation name** |  |
| **Contact name** |  |
| **Organisation address** |  |
| **Contact email** |  |
| **Contact phone number** |  |
| **Description of activities in Wales**  300 words maximum |  |
| **How are the themes of this event relevant to your existing and future Research, Development and Innovation (RD&I) activities in Wales?**  500 words maximum |  |
| **What benefits do you as an organisation hope to realise by attending this event?**  500 words maximum |  |
| **Are there potential wider benefits to Wales from you attending the event?**  250 words maximum |  |

**Additional Information and Signature**

1. Due to limited availability, completion of this form does not guarantee an automatic acceptance to receive financial support to attend. All applications received by the deadline will be considered based on the information within the application form.
2. Welsh Government will be working with Catalonia Government counterparts to identify opportunities for collaboration between Welsh based and Catalonia based organisations. Following the event, you will be expected to report back to Welsh Government on any opportunities identified and pursued. You will also be asked to complete a short survey to enable Welsh Government to understand benefits and outcomes from attending.
3. State Aid

Private sector applicants will need to consider State Aid when applying for funding support to attend the IoT Solutions World Congress.

There are restrictions on how a company’s de minimis allowance can be used, including an upper limit of €200,000 of public support in a 3-year fiscal period. Signing and submitting an application will act as a declaration that the entity has not breached the threshold. The value applicable to this activity will be in the region of €1,000.

For research organisations and public sector organisations, the grant is unlikely to count as State Aid.

1. Welsh Government [**Privacy Notice**](https://gov.wales/welsh-government-privacy-notice)

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| Completed application forms need to be returned by email to [**SmartInnovation@gov.wales**](mailto:SmartInnovation@gov.wales) by **midday on 18th November 2022** |
| Signed:  Date: |