Marco Polo Program Grant Application

Program Description
The Marco Polo Program was conceived and approved by the PDGA Board in 2011, with an official start date of January 1, 2012. The goals of this program are to support the introduction of Disc Golf into new countries and to strengthen its development in other countries around the world. The program will provide funding for innovative international projects that promote the growth of Disc Golf, and that create links between PDGA, the countries, and the local Disc Golf communities. Grants will be provided to PDGA international members in Europe, Asia, Oceania and elsewhere, and to USA/Canada members who have the opportunity to travel overseas.

Materials and equipment purchased with grant funding must become the property of an in-country participating not-for-profit disc golf, sports or community association or group, and not the individual participants. All projects receiving support must promote the PDGA and its contributions as part of its project activities.

Application Details
- Applicants must use the current application form www.pdga.com/MarcoPoloApplication
- Applications can be submitted at any time. Following PDGA review including requests for further information, applicants will be notified of the PDGA’s decision. Grants may or may not reflect the amount requested. Funds will then be transferred to the recipients.

Guidelines and Eligibility
- Funding is for programs and projects in countries outside of USA and Canada.
- Applicants must be 18 and a current PDGA member.
- Applications must be filled out completely. Answer the questions clearly and concisely. No handwritten applications will be accepted.
- Applications can be e-mailed (preferred), faxed or mailed.
- Disclosure within the application is required if the project activities are to include PDGA office staff, consultants, or board members.
- Recipients must submit progress reports, including, within one month after project completion a final report for projects lasting 3 months or less, as well as quarterly reports for projects lasting longer than 3 months. These reports should be well written with the intent of publication by PDGA, and should include photos of the activities, and other supporting information such as press coverage, testimonial and thank you letters.
- Grants may be used to fund activities for 12 months from the date of award approval. Applications that include activities scheduled prior to the date of notification will not be considered.
PART 1 – BASIC INFORMATION

Your Name: PDGA#: 

Mailing Address: 

Phone: Email: 

Project Title: 

Project Location(s): 

Grant Request (max $3000): 

Project Partners: 
For each local disc golf, sports, and community partner, provide the name of the group or association, address, contact person and details. Attach any letters of support etc from the in-country partners.

PART 2: PROJECT DESCRIPTION 

A. Summarize the project in one paragraph. Provide a brief description of the project concept including the main activities, the resources to be used, and the participants to be targeted.

B. What are the primary goals and objectives of this project?
PART 3: PROJECT DELIVERY

A. Provide a complete timeline of the project. Specify when the project will start, the dates of the main activities, the anticipated numbers of participants, and when the project will be completed.

B. Project Budget. Describe how the PDGA Marco Polo Program’s grant funds will be used, including items to be purchased, quantities and costs.

C. Describe the contributions that you, the local partners and any disc golf manufacturers/retailers, will be providing to the project, including financial matches, material donations, land/facilities, etc.

D. Describe what logistics have been or need to be confirmed, for the project to proceed.

E. Identify any potential roadblocks and how you plan to deal with them.
PART 4: PROJECT IMPACT

A. Who will this project impact? A new country, a new city/town or region within a country, youth, women, disadvantaged communities, existing disc golf players?

B. How many people does this project aim to impact?

C. What are your plans beyond the initial activities? How will this project be sustained and contribute to the growth of disc golf over the longer term?

PART 5: SUBMIT APPLICATION

Send completed applications to:

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