**AES Early Career Researcher Award**

The AES Early Career Researcher Award will be given to a researcher less than 5 years post-PhD who has shown substantive and significant contributions to evolutionary biology. The awardee is expected to have multiple research outputs and show a strong trajectory in research quality, independence, and leadership.

The Award includes an invitation to present a plenary lecture at the AES conference, with **registration fees, domestic travel, and accommodation** covered by AES.

**Eligibility:**

* The applicant must have a PhD conferred within the previous 5 years (since 1 January 2014). Extensions will be granted for career interruptions according to the ARC guidelines.
* The applicant must have either received their PhD at an institution within Australasia or have been employed as a researcher at an institution within Australasia(comprising Australia, New Zealand, and New Guinea)

**Selection Criteria:**

* Demonstrated significance, innovation, creativity and/or impact of the applicant’s research
* Value of non-publication outputs that facilitate research in evolutionary biology
* Research achievements relative to opportunity
* Research independence and leadership

**Application process:**

The application consists of two parts:

1. 1-page description of the applicant’s research contributions to their field of Evolutionary Biology, highlighting substance, significance, creativity and impact. Single-spaced, 12-pt Times New Roman. An additional 200-word section may be used to describe any career interruptions or impediments experienced by the applicant.
2. 1-page CV (including sections for **Date of PhD Conferral**, **Positions held**, **Prior and Current Mentors**), plus a list of **Research Outputs** (publications and non-publication outputs; no page limit). Provide summary and impact statistics for publications.

Submit the application as a single pdf to ausevolutionsociety@gmail.com by **30 June 2019**. **Note: please indicate in your application email your availability to attend the 2019 AES conference, 24-27 November 2019 in Sydney, Australia.** The award will be announced in late July.