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The applicants, who need not be members of IPPS must outline why they should be given the chance to attend the IPPS Conference. They also need to present a biography and to outline their interest in horticulture and plant propagation.

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INTRODUCTION

Australia is the custodian of an amazing diversity of native plants. This diversity is linked with the widely varying