



COST ACTION ENTER
CALL FOR
SHORT-TERM SCIENTIFIC MISSIONS (STSMs)
2022 / 2023

Deadline: 12 December 2022

COST Action ENTER “EU Foreign Policy Facing New Realities” is happy to announce the opening of the call for application for STSM: Short Term Scientific Missions. STSMs are directed to facilitate and support mobility of individuals for short scientific missions, to inspire research and forge new links among COST ENTER partners.

Visit our homepage for more information: <https://foreignpolicynewrealities.eu/participate/stsms/>

For further questions please feel free to contact Ms. Katharina Kleinschitger (Grant Holder Manager & Grant Awarding Coordinator): info@foreignpolicynewrealities.eu

CONTENT AND FOCUS

Application should be linked (content wise) to one of the main activity areas of COST, concerning EU Foreign Policy: New Realities, Perception, Contestation, Communication and Relation.

See: <https://foreignpolicynewrealities.eu/about/working-groups/>

DURATION

There is no minimum or maximum duration; STSM can be carried out from November 2022 until Mid-March 2023.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

This year’s financial support for successful applicants will include up to max. EUR 3.000.

REPORTING AND CLAIM FOR PAYMENT OF THE GRANT

Upon the conclusion of the STSM, within 20 days after the end of the activity, the grantees have to submit via e-COST system:

- The claim for the payment of the grant;
- Report to the Action MC on the main achievements of the STSM and planned future follow up activities.

ELIGIBILITY

Short-Term Scientific Mission consists in a visit of a host organization located in a different country than the country of affiliation by a Researcher or Innovator for the specific work to be carried out and for a determined period of time.

Both junior and senior researchers are eligible to apply. STSM applicants must be engaged in an official research programme as a PhD Student or postdoctoral fellow or can be employed by, or affiliated to, an institution, organisation or legal entity which has within its remit a clear association with performing research.

Grantees can perform the mission anywhere in the world (as long as it serves the purpose of the STSM).

PRIORITIES

Special priority will be given to: Early Career Investigators (researchers), Researchers from Inclusiveness Target Country and Gender balance. Applicants from an Inclusiveness Target Country can request for pre-payment of 50% of the grant.

HOW TO APPLY?

Submit your application via e-COST. You may have to create an account before submitting your application. COST ENTER is Action Number CA17119. For further assistance, please consult the COST STSM userguide. A maximum of three STSM Grants will be awarded.

See: <https://e-services.cost.eu/user/login>

TIMELINE OF APPLICATION

The application period starts on 11 November 2022 and ends on 12 December 2022.

REQUIRED ELEMENTS OF THE APPLICATION

- A) Confirmation letter from your host institution (please append it to your application in e-COST in the supporting documents section)
- B) Motivation and Work-plan summary (limited to 2000 words), including:
 - Aim & motivation – You should explain your scientific and/or other motivation for the STSM and what scientific and/or other outcomes you aim to accomplish with the STSM.
 - Proposed contribution to the scientific objectives of the Action.
 - Techniques – Please detail what techniques or equipment you may learn to use, if applicable.
 - Planning – We need you to detail the steps you will take to achieve your proposed aim.
- C) Dates and Duration
- D) Bank Details
- E) Host Details
- F) Financial Support requested: Total amount up to max. EUR 3.000.

CLARIFICATIONS

The COST Association and the Grant Holder of the Action cannot be considered as being an STSM grantee's employer. STSM grantees must make their own arrangements for all provisions related to personal security, health, taxation, social security and pension matters.

See: <https://www.cost.eu/>

COST Annotated Rules: <https://www.cost.eu/uploads/2022/12/COST-094-21-Annotated-Rules-for-COST-Actions-Level-C-V1.3.pdf>

In a world of accelerating change, EU foreign policy is facing a set of new realities. COST Action ENTER is a cutting-edge international research network that focuses on these new realities and their consequences for perceptions, communication, contestation, and international relations.

The fully-funded network includes scholars from various disciplines, as well as practitioners, and students.

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