

COST Action ES1401 – Time Dependent Seismology

CALL for Short Term Scientific Missions (STSMs)

Application Deadline	20 Set 2015
Grant Holder announcement of successful applications:	25 Set 2015
Notification of acceptance by the applicant:	30 Set 2015
The STSM has to be completed before:	1 December 2015

The COST Action ES1401 TIDES – Time Dependent Seismology invites you to apply to a Short Term Scientific Mission (STSM), supporting individual mobility to **another** COST country, either to strengthen existing networks as well as to promote new collaborations **within the scientific objectives of TIDES ES1401 COST Action.**

The **applicant** can be a PhD student, a PostDoc or staff member in an institution located in a TIDES ES1401 COST Participating Country or in a Near Neighbour Country (NNC), as long as it has been formally accepted to be part of TIDES (the list of TIDES participating countries and NNCs can be found in http://www.cost.eu/COST_Actions/essem/Actions/ES1401?parties).

The **host** institution has to be sited in a TIDES COST Participating Country or in a Near Neighbour Country (NNC), as long as it has been formally accepted to be part of TIDES (the list of TIDES participating countries and NNCs can be found in http://www.cost.eu/COST_Actions/essem/Actions/ES1401?parties).

Mission Duration

The STSM **has to be completed by December 1st**. There is a minimum duration of 5 working days and a maximum of 2 months for the current proposed STSM.

Application Procedure

To apply, the candidate should (both 1 and 2 are mandatory):

1) Follow this link to apply online for a Short-term scientific mission : <https://e-services.cost.eu/w3/index.php?id=91>

2) Send a formal STSM application by e-mail to the STSM coordinator of the Action ES1401 – Graça Silveira mdsilveira@fc.ul.pt, consisting of:

- a) A cover letter stating the science topic of the STSM (for information on this action science topics, please visit TIDES webpage <http://www.tides-cost.eu>);
- b) A copy of the "COST STSM Application form" which has been filled online.
- c) A description/work-plan of the proposed visit (in PDF format); no more than 2 A4 pages;
- d) A detailed CV;
- e) A letter of acceptance from the Host institute of the STSM;
- f) A letter from either the Host or Home institute indicating any extra support that may be given to the applicant, (if applicable);
- g) In the case of PhD students applicants, a support letter for the proposed visit from their advisor.

After the STSM

1) The grantee is required to submit a short scientific report (main text of 3-5 pages with any attachments if necessary) to the STSM coordinator for approval by the STSM Committee and subsequently by the MC within 15 days after the end date of the STSM keeping the STSM host institution in copy. This will include (but not restricted to):

- The objectives of the STSM;
- A short description of the work carried out during the STSM;
- A description of the main results obtained, stating (if applicable) any deviations from the initial purposes, possible impacts achieved or expected;
- An indication of any problems that may have appeared;
- A reference to future collaboration with the host institution (if applicable);
- A letter by the host institution, confirming the successful execution of the STSM;

- The actual results that may be used directly by the COST action (beyond the 2-5 pages, e.g. to be included in the action's deliverables);
- Other comments (if any).

Failure to submit the scientific report within 15 days will effectively cancel the grant.

2) The STSM Committee is responsible for approving the scientific report and informing the Grant Holder that the STSM has been successfully accomplished.

3) After receipt of the approval by email, the Grant Holder will execute the payment of the grant.

4) The grantee will prepare a presentation to be given in the next action meeting, stating all the contents of the short scientific report, summarizing the scope and outcomes of the STSM in terms of scientific breakthroughs, impacts and future actions.

Applicants Guide

For a detailed and complete description of the eligibility rules and financial support according to COST, please consult the VADEMECUM document (pages 28-30) here: <http://www.cost.eu/Vademecum>