

Call for STSM Applications COST Action CA16101 MultiForesee

Call Number 4 for Short Term Scientific Missions (STSM) Applications

4th Call for STSM Applications for Missions Occurring between 1 May 2020 and 2 September 2021 All STSM activities must occur in their entirety within the dates specified above

Purpose of a Short-Term Scientific Missions (STSM)

STSM facilitates Researchers from COST Countries participating in COST Action CA16101 to go to an institution, organisation or research centre in another participating COST Country to foster collaboration and to perform empirical research. Participation of “Early Career Investigators” (ECI) in STSM is particularly encouraged. An applicant can be considered as being an ECI when the time that has elapsed between the award date of the applicants PhD and the date of the applicants first involvement in the COST Action CA16101 does not exceed 8 years. PhD students are also eligible to partake in STSMs.

Specific information concerning STSM

STSMs can have a duration of between 5 days and 90 days (and up to 180 days if the applicant is an ECI – see definition of ECI above).

The financial support on offer is a contribution to the overall expenses incurred during the STSM and may not necessarily cover all of the associated outgoings.

The following funding conditions apply and must be respected:

1. up to a maximum of EUR 2 500 in total can be afforded to each successful STSM applicant;
2. up to a maximum of EUR 160 per day can be afforded for accommodation and meal expenses;
3. for ECIs, a maximum amount of EUR 3500 can be afforded to the Grantee for STSMs with a duration of between 91 and 180 days – For ECIs partaking STSMs with a duration of between 5 and 90 days, the limit of EUR 2 500 must be respected;
4. STSM activities must occur in their entirety within the dates specified in this call. Financial support is limited to cover travel, accommodation and meal expenses and is paid in the form of a Grant.
5. Successful applicants are committed to participate in the annual CA16101 meeting where they will present the outcome of their STSM. Separate COST funds will be made available for travel support.

For this call, the Management Committee of COST Action CA16101 “MultiForesee” has allocated a total budget of **20000 Euro** for up to **8 STSMs** with the prospect of additional budget to be allocated by the MC in its next meeting. The applications will be evaluated in order of the date received by the STSM committee until the budget is depleted. The amounts granted for each individual STSM will be determined during the evaluation process by the formally appointed person (s). The selection of applicants is based on the scientific scope of the STSM application which must clearly compliment the overall objectives of the Action.

The enclosed document describes the detailed application procedure.