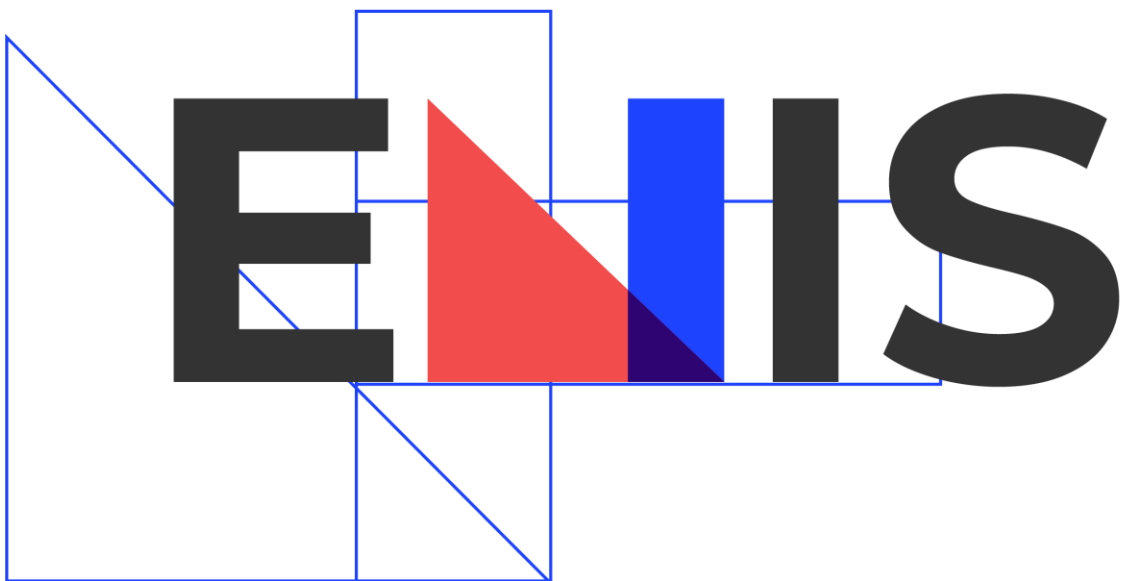
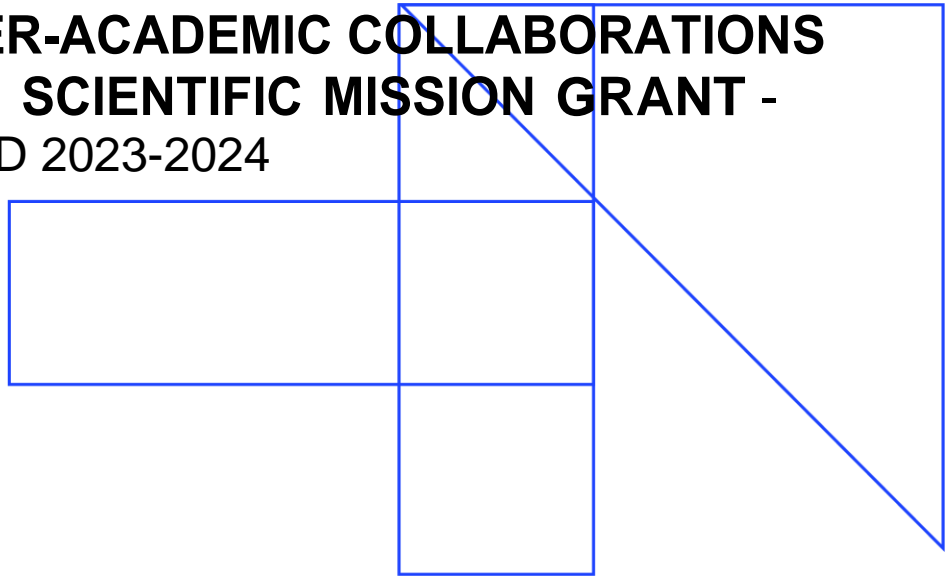


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ENIS COST Action "European Network on International Student Mobility: Connecting Research and Practice" is happy to announce the opening of its first call for application for the practitioner-academic collaborations Short Term Scientific Missions (STSM) grants – Grant period 2023-2024.

## Scope:

Short Term Scientific Missions (STSM) grants facilitate and support the mobility of individuals for STSM to allow for an intense collaboration between practitioners and scientists aiming at developing an output (articles, book chapters, policy briefs, manuals, training tools) that bridge research and practice.

## Content and focus:

Applications should be linked (content-wise) to the field of international student mobility and offer concrete recommendations for ISM practice to inform policymakers, practitioners in higher education institutions and study abroad organisations.

## Number of grants:

Three (3)

## Financial Support:

1500 euros for each application.

*Applicants from an ITC can request for pre-payment of 50% of the grant.*

## Eligibility:

- The application must include at least: one practitioner or policymaker working in higher education institutions or in study abroad organisations, **and** one academic in the field of ISM (PhD student, post-doctoral and senior researcher, lecturer, professor).

## Evaluation Criteria

- Alignment of the goals of the STSM to the Action's objective (2 points)
- Expected impact in bridging research and practice (2 points)
- Sustainability of the cooperation (1 point).

## Priorities:

- Young researchers and innovators (under 40 years old);
- Researchers from inclusiveness target countries (ITC);
- Gender balance will be taken into account.

**Period:**

STSM has to be carried out between 1 March and 30 September 2024.

**Duration:**

Minimum of three days (excluding the travelling days).

**Timeline:**

- Open of call: **November 15, 2023**
- Deadline for application: **January 05, 2024**
- Decision process and announcements of results: Up to a month after the close of the call.

**How to apply?**

- A. Fill in STSM application form (template available on e-COST).
- B. Fill in e-COST form (<https://e-services.cost.eu/>)
- C. Uploaded to e-COST system:
  - Application form describing the main goals of the STSM;
  - Confirmation of the host in receiving the applicant;
  - Support letter from the WG leader;
  - If intended, a family top-up grant statement indicating how the top-up grant would help you to manage your family work responsibilities for the travel. (Please check our website for more information on this possibility)
- D. Obs.:
  - Clearly state in your CV if you are a young innovator (< 40 years old) and if you hold a tenure position.
  - All documents must be in English

**Reporting and claim for payment of the grant**

Upon the conclusion of the conference, within 30 days after the end of the activity, the grantees have to submit via e-COST system:

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

**Obligations:**

Grantees and host researchers commit to writing a post and sending pictures of the STSM for the social media network.

**Clarifications:**

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

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