

ESIS Support for Researchers Announcement

The ESIS ExCo has agreed that ESIS will support the active participation of scientists to ECF22 Conference by waiving the Conference fee for up to 35 delegates who require financial assistance to attend. Preference will be given to those under 37 who meet the criteria for support. Consideration will also be given to retirees without travel funds. The ECF22 conference fee will be paid by ESIS for those scientists who are awarded support. In addition, ESIS will provide 200 EUR for additional expenses.

Organization & Time schedule

All applications must be submitted to the Support at ECF22 web-Portal by **23rd February 2018 (5pm, UK time)**.

The selection of scientists who will receive support will be made by a sub-committee consisting of Aleksandar Sedmak, Valery Shylannikov and Per Ståhle, acting on behalf of the ESIS ExCo.

The sub-committee will announce its decision by **30th March 2018**. The decision will be communicated to all applicants by the ESIS Secretary by that date.

Conditions for eligibility for the ESIS support

The conditions of eligibility for ESIS support are:

1. to study or work in a low-income country (ranked according to average country income);
2. to be preferably younger than 37 at the time of the ECF22 Conference (applications by older scientists will be considered)
3. to submit a manuscript to ECF22 by **16th March 2018**
4. to be the prospective presenting author of the paper or poster at the ECF22 Conference

Applications

Applications, to be uploaded to the "Support at ECF22 Portal"

<http://www.structuralintegrity.eu/site/news/esis-support-for-researchers-ecf22>

on the ESIS website must contain:

1. CV;
2. Signed declaration of citizenship and current affiliation;
3. Abstract submitted to the ECF22 conference.

Selection

The selection of the candidates will be made by the sub-committee after ranking according to: (i) eligibility conditions, (ii) the quality of the submitted papers.

Selected scientists must substantiate fulfilment of (i) conditions of eligibility and (ii) by a letter issued and signed by his/her employer and to be esisweb.org@gmail.com by **6th April 2018**.