

One of the missions of doctoral schools is to promote the acquisition of a broad scientific culture including knowledge of the international research framework. The ED SIS attaches particular importance to the European and international openness. Thus, the ED SIS has decided to allocate part of its budget to support the mobility projects of its doctoral students. The ED also makes this assistance available to doctoral students in cotutelle status, subject to the cost of a one-way ticket to the cotutelle partner (non-priority requests).

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### *What are the objectives of these mobility grants ?*

The objectives of these mobility grants are in particular to encourage outgoing mobility (Applications for mobility to the co-supervising institution will not be given priority), to strengthen the training of international excellence for doctoral students and to develop their network.

### *Who is concerned ?*

Any doctoral student registered in one of the accredited institutions of the SIS Doctoral School.

### *What are the eligibility conditions ?*

Mobility is based on a research project in a laboratory abroad or in overseas regions of France. This project must be accepted jointly by the thesis direction of the doctoral student and by the host laboratory abroad or in overseas regions of France which undertakes to ensure the scientific reception of the candidate.

### *How and who makes the selection ?*

Applications are examined by the ED SIS Bureau, taking into account mainly the relevance and consistency of the mobility project as a whole.

### *What is the duration of the grant awarded ?*

From 2 days to 90 days.

### *What is the budget mobility part in the ED SIS Budget ?*

The doctoral school devotes approximately one fifth of its budget to mobility. For 2026, the provisional budget allocated to mobility is €5,000.

*What is the amount of the grant ?*

The amount awarded depends on the project presented. It is mainly intended to cover additional expenses related to travel and stay. The Bureau agreed on an amount between 17€ and 25€ / day. The ED financial support will be within the limit of 50% of the amount of expenditure and a maximum duration of 3 months funded (the duration of the mobility may be longer). It is up to the doctoral student and his / her supervision to seek co-financing. Additional exceptional assistance equivalent to a maximum of 30 days of said mobility may be granted depending on the length and / or geographic area of the stay.

*When, how and to whom is the grant paid ?*

The amount of the grant is paid to the laureate's laboratory in one go, on condition that he or she provides the documents requested by the ED SIS head manager within the time limits.

*How the Graduate School (GS) SIS can help ?*

For PhD students registered at an institution within the Graduate School SIS perimeter a grant may be obtained. In certain circumstances Doctoral School grant and GS grant are cumulative. You don't need to do a thing for your application to be considered by the GS.

*How to apply ?*

The following items are required for the study of your project:

- A completed one-page application form signed by the doctoral student and his or her PhD main supervisor;
- A motivation letter from the candidate, in one page maximum;
- A curriculum vitae of the candidate;
- A detailed argument from the PhD main supervisor (1 page max);
- A reception certificate from the host laboratory.

*How, to whom and when should I send the file ?*

All the documents (see above) must be grouped together in **a single pdf file in the form name\_firstname\_site\_lab\_mobSIS.pdf** which will be sent electronically to the EDSIS manager ([ed-sis@doctorat-paysdelaloire.fr](mailto:ed-sis@doctorat-paysdelaloire.fr)) **with copy to the ED SIS site manager**<sup>1</sup>, before the date indicated in the call for applications. **Only files respecting these instructions will be processed.**

*What does the ED SIS expect from me in return ?*

The doctoral grant student undertakes to carry out the mobility project for a minimum duration of stay equivalent to the number of days of mobility granted by ED SIS. In the event that the stay is shortened, the doctoral student must immediately inform the head manager of ED SIS and reimburse the overpayment corresponding to the full month(s) not completed in the host laboratory. The effective date of the month corresponds to the date of arrival of the doctoral student at the host laboratory. Any month that has started is considered a completed month. The doctoral grant student also undertakes to write a report (one page) in the month following the end of his trip and / or to testify to his mobility experience in the event of a request from the ED SIS.

*What is the provisional calendar for the 2025-2026 campaign ?*

<b>Deadline to send your application to</b> <a href="mailto:ed-sis@doctorat-paysdelaloire.fr">ed-sis@doctorat-paysdelaloire.fr</a>	<b>Period of stay of the doctoral student</b>
<b>The entire academic year until August 31, 2026 midnight</b>	<b>January – December 2026</b>

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