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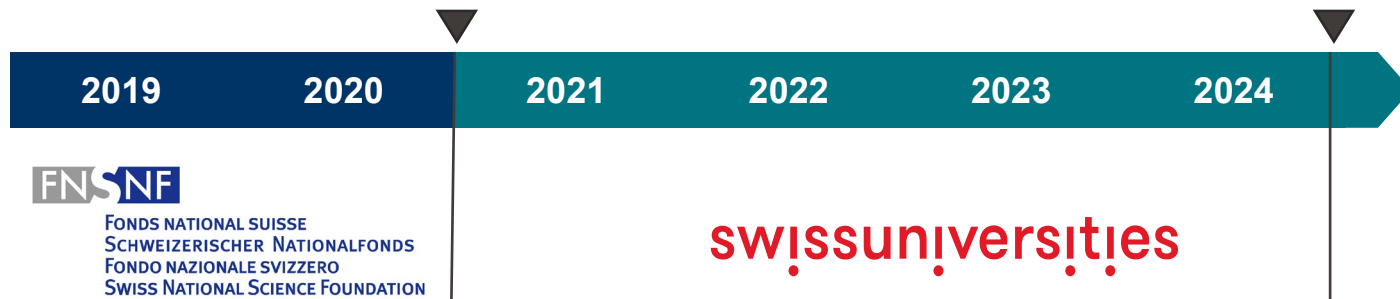
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Doc.Mobility history



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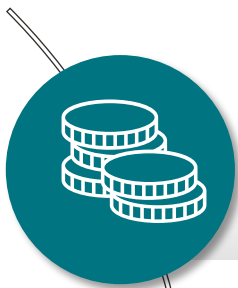
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The EPFL Doc.Mobility scheme will conclude at the end of 2024, until then **1 more call** for applications will be issued.



What is Doc.Mobility?



Grant that offers **financial support** to doctoral candidates who wish to carry out a research stay abroad in an academic institution



Possibility to **deepen** their **scientific knowledge**, to **develop** their **scientific network** and to **advance** their **doctoral work**



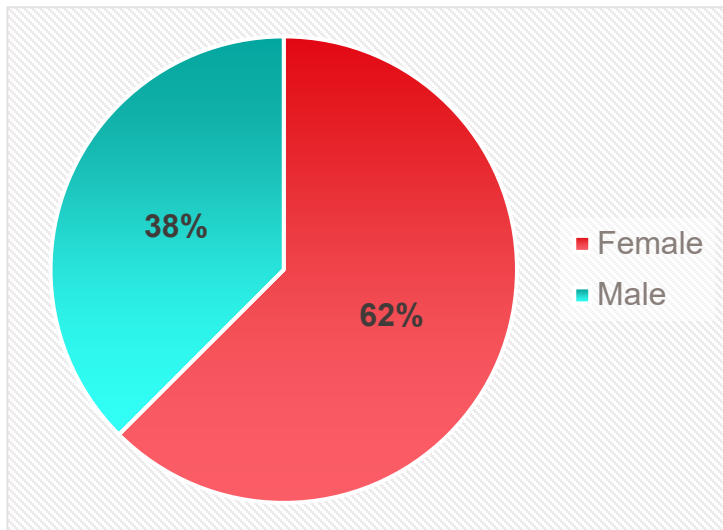
an **uninterrupted doctoral employment contract** at EPFL and receipt of the salary during the research stay abroad



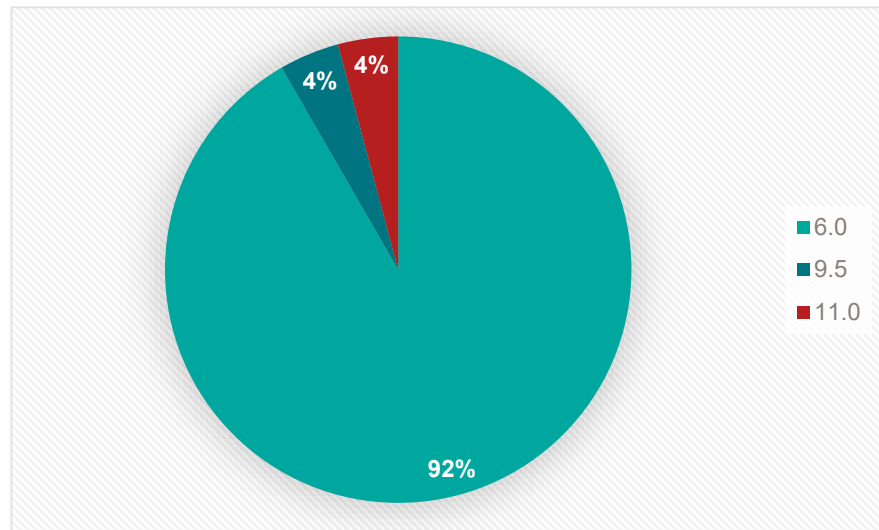
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Since the beginning of 2020, 24 doctoral students have benefited from the Doc.Mobility grant.

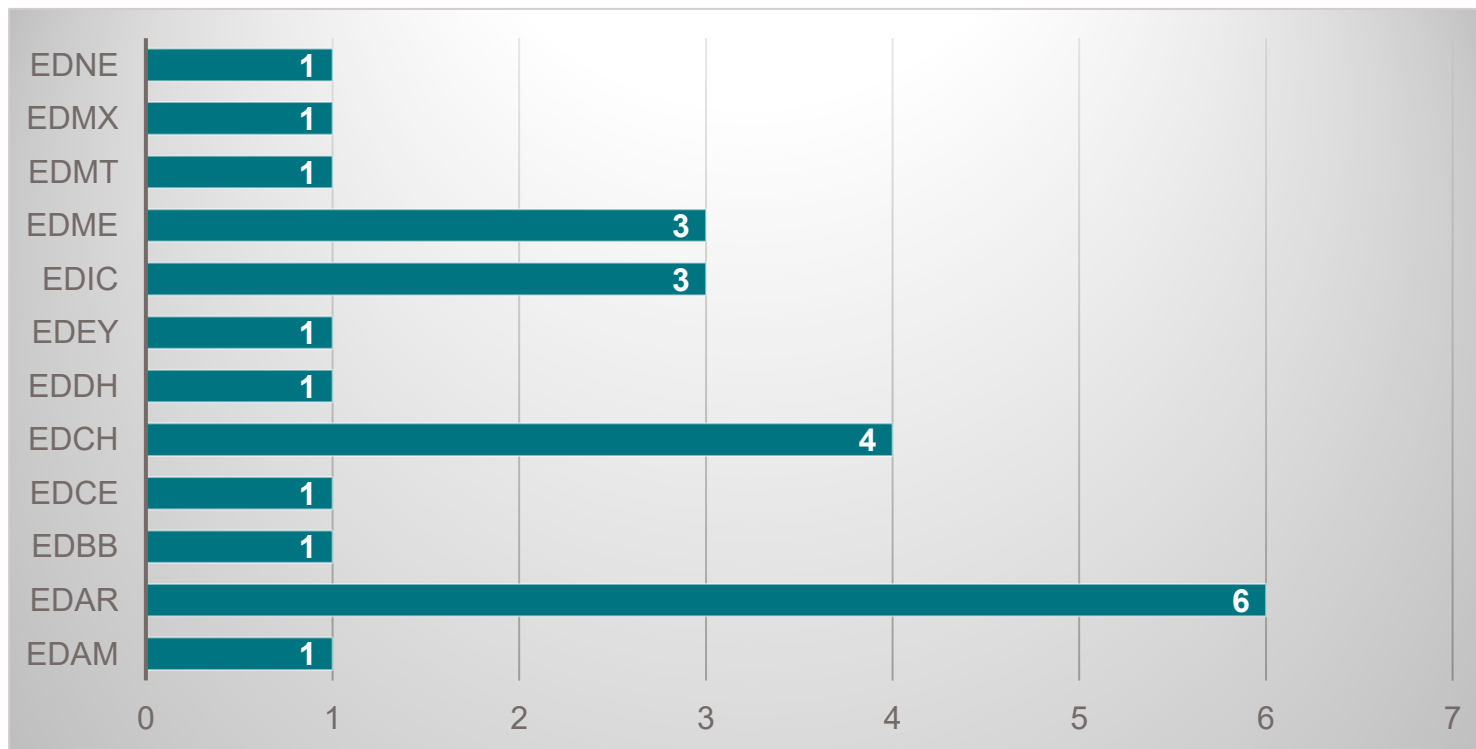
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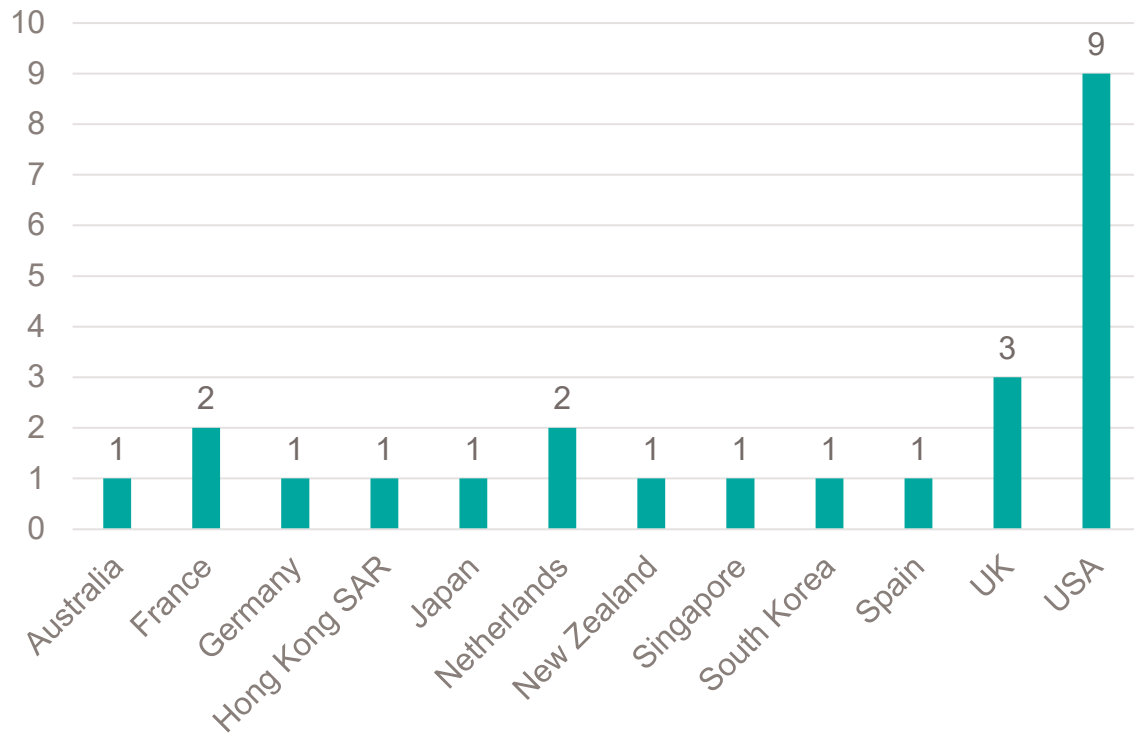


Doctoral program



Destination

- Australia
- France
- Germany
- Hong Kong SAR
- Japan
- Netherlands
- New Zealand
- Singapore
- South Korea
- Spain
- UK
- USA





Who can apply?

EPFL Doctoral students with the following conditions:

- **registered for at least 12 months & employed at EPFL** at the date of the application deadline
- **Successfully passed the candidacy exam** at the time of the start of the mobility stay
- **Not be in the last 6 months of their doctoral studies**
- **Not be funded by** a project of the **SNSF** (Swiss National Research Foundation)
- Be of **Swiss nationality**, have a **valid residence permit** or a valid **cross-border commuter permit**
- To confirm in writing their **intention to continue their doctorate at EPFL after the mobility stay** and to obtain the doctorate there



What is covered?

PhD salary	50% by the grant, 50% by the lab/usual funding source
Travel expenses	1 round trip ticket in Economy
Research costs	max. CHF 3'000 per year
Conferences / Congresses / workshop attendance	max. CHF 2'000 per year
Matriculation fee	75% max. CHF 15'000 per year
Familiy allowance	Child: CHF 12'000 per year Partner: CHF 4'000 per year



Important aspects



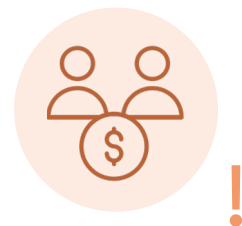
Contribution to **personal living expenses**, such as rent in the host country, **are not included in the grant.**



Doctoral students will be registered at EPFL during their stay abroad. Their **existing doctoral employment contract at EPFL remains in force.**



The mobility stay abroad is **treated as paid leave** from an HR perspective.



Half of the salary will be covered by the Doc.Mobility grant, while the other **half must be covered by their usual source of funding.**



Doctoral students **remain affiliated to the Swiss social insurance system.** They continue to be insured with the AVS/AI/APG/AC, Pension (Publica), SUVA (accident).



How to apply?



A dedicated [Google Form](#)



- ✓ a CV of two pages maximum
- ✓ the transcript of Doctoral School credits
- ✓ a project proposal (using the [template](#) provided)
- ✓ a copy of the last salary slip
- ✓ a copy of any financial contribution received from other organisations or institutions related to their thesis
- ✓ a letter of support (using the templates provided)
 - [by thesis director](#)
 - [by academic host abroad](#)
 - [by academic institution abroad](#)
- ✓ Partnership and/or family certificate, if applicable

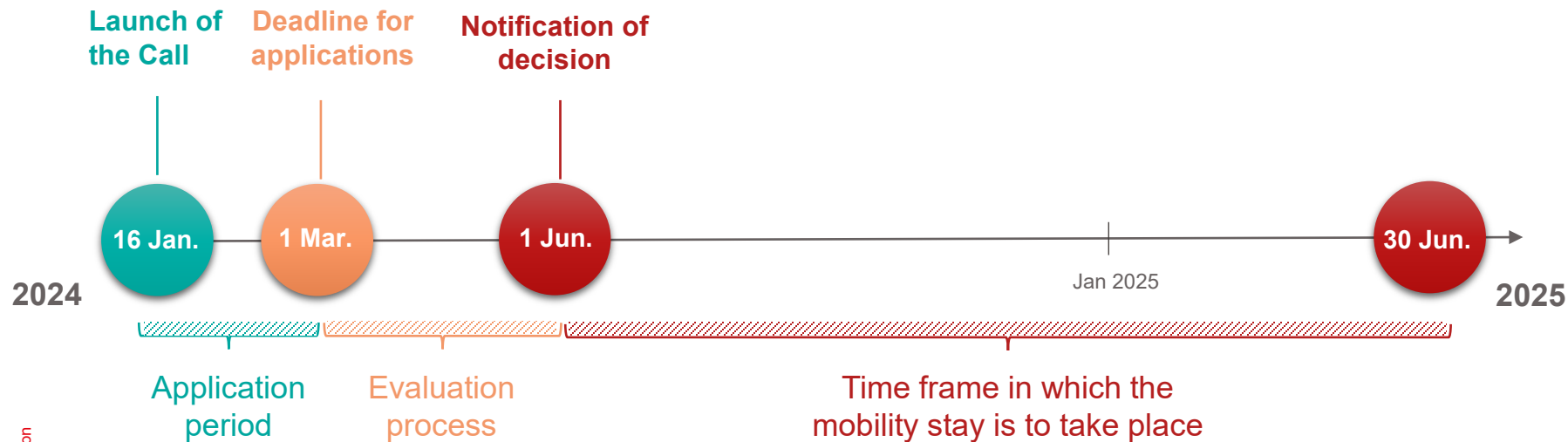


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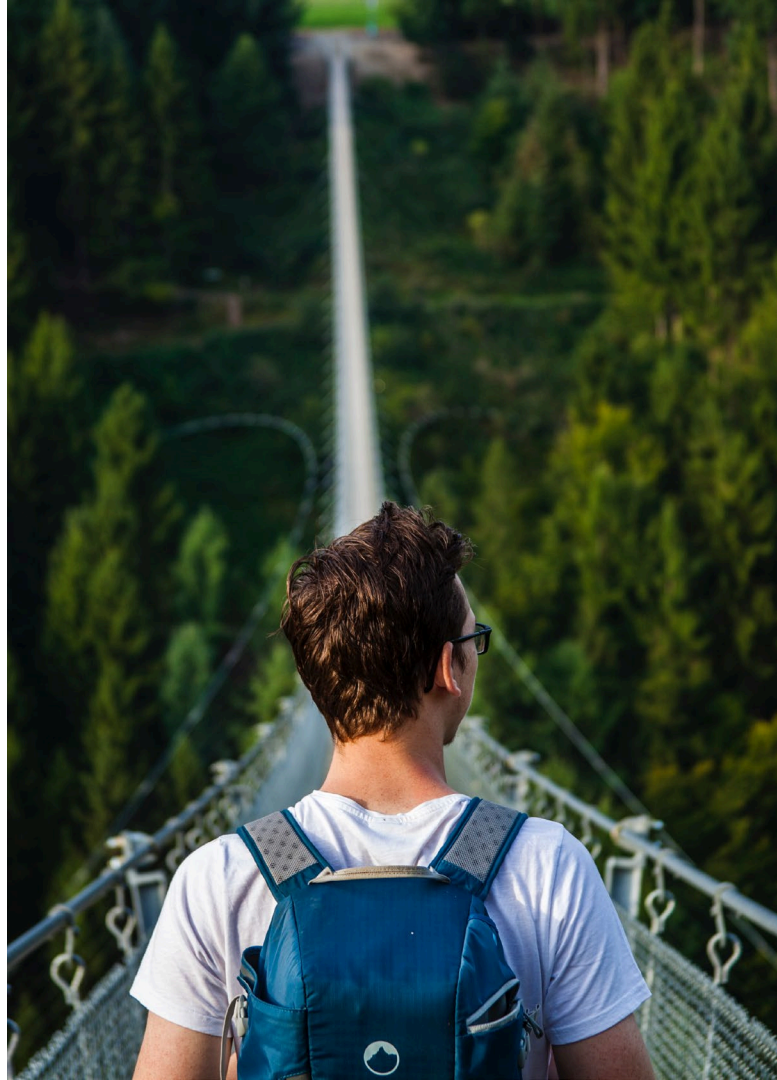




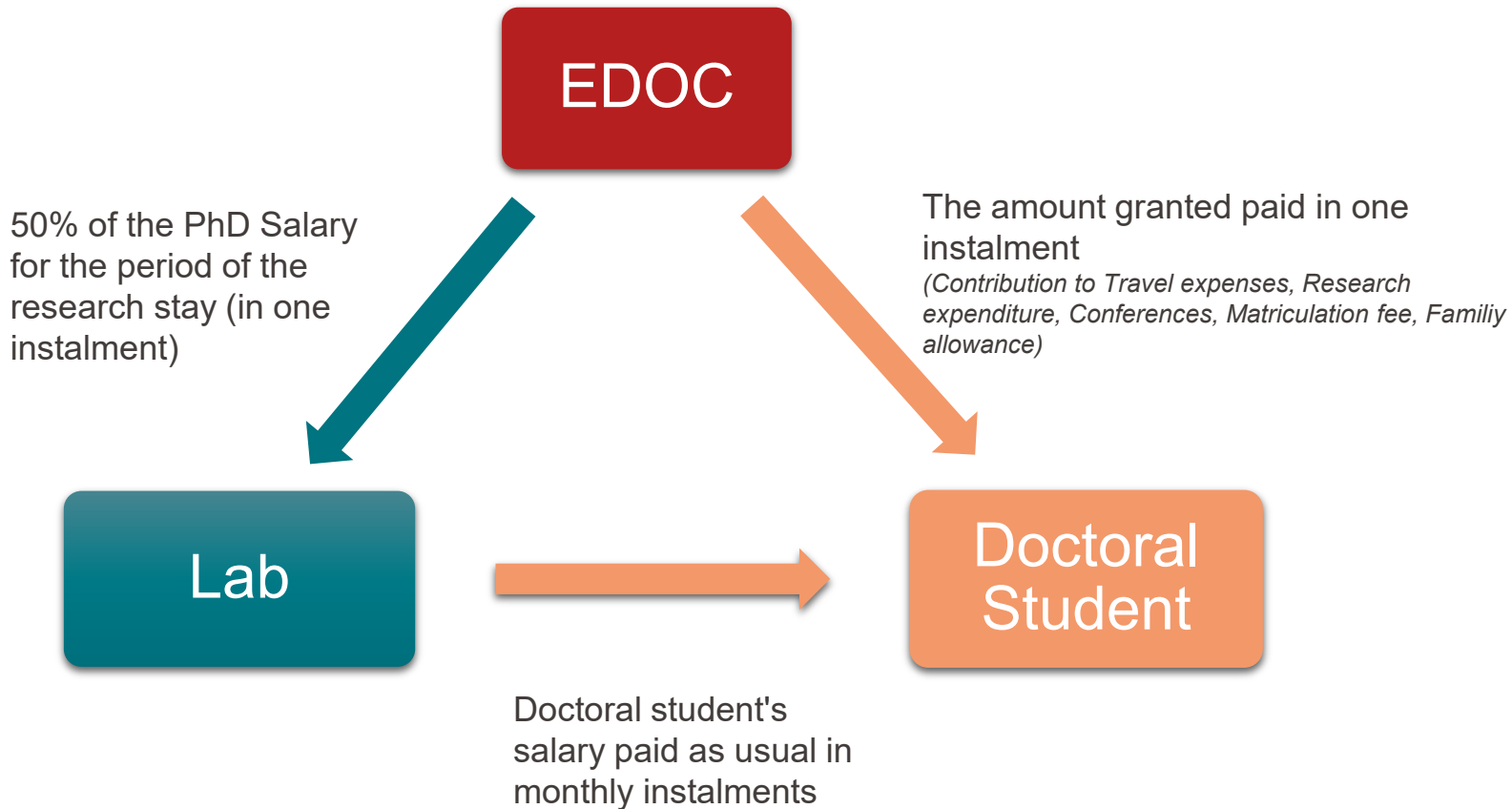
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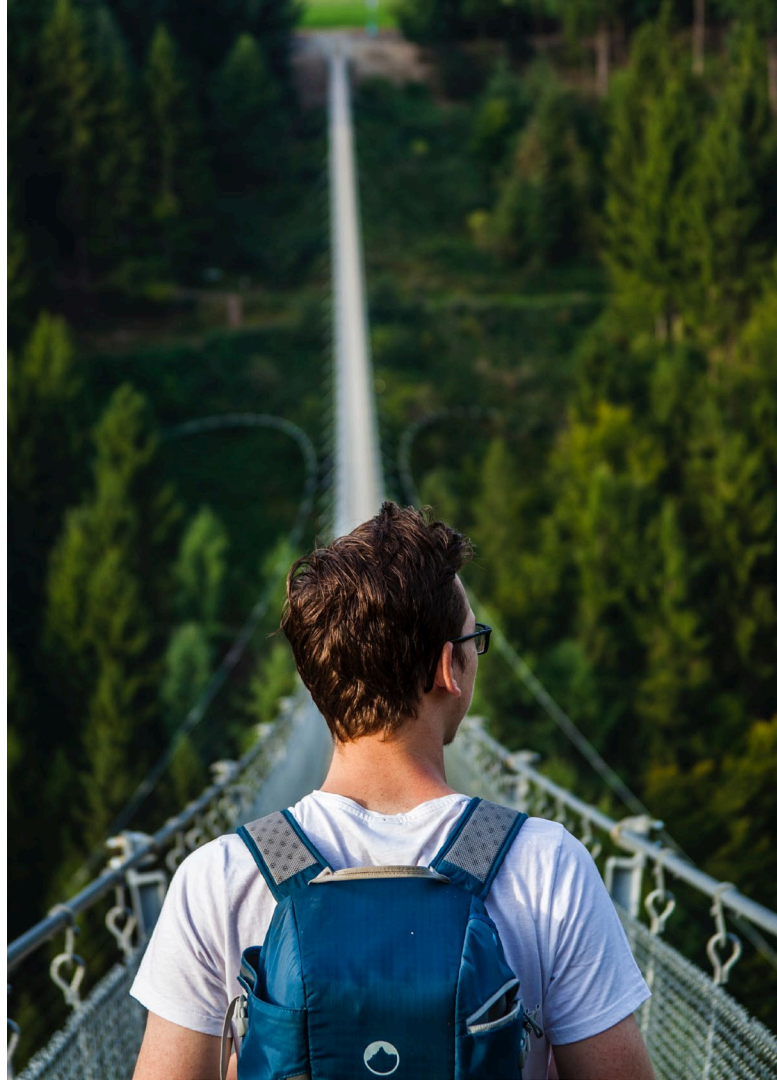


You must have finished your research stay by June 30, 2025. Federal funds cannot be used after this date.



How is the grant paid?





**Where to find more
information?**

Doc.Mobility website



For those interested

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For applicants

[Doc.Mobility Submission Form](#)

[Template – Doc.Mobility Project Proposal Form](#)

[Template – Letter of support from host institution abroad](#)

[Template – Letter of support from Host](#)

[Template – Letter of support from thesis director](#)



For grantees

[Request for release of the EPFL Doc.Mobility grant](#)

[Doc.Mobility Research stay – Final General Report](#)

[Doc.Mobility Research stay – Financial Report](#)

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