

## How-to manual: STCS Full Proposal

Please refer to the STCS Guidelines for further information.

		Regular Project	International Collaboration	BSc/ MSc/ MD thesis	Monocentric study	Amendment			
Application procedure	Letter of intent	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes			
	Full Proposal	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Requirements	Authors	All scientists are invited to submit a project, but the STCS recommends to involve an STCS investigator*							
	Samples	Yes	No	No	No	Yes			
	STCS Funding	Not available since 2021	No	No	No	Not available since 2021			
	CRF	Responsibility of the Co-Investigator in the respective center	All members of the working group are in favor and commit to collecting the data (no added workload outside a specific group)	Thesis author's responsibility	Center's responsibility	Center's responsibility			
	Working group approval	No	Yes (if applicable)	Yes (if applicable)	Yes (if applicable)	Yes (if applicable)			
	Approval of all involved centers	Yes	Yes (if applicable)	Yes (if applicable)	n/a	Yes (if applicable)			
Evaluation procedure		<ul> <li>Submission of LOI respecting the regular deadline. It will be send to the SC.</li> <li>After invitation by STCS: Submission of FUP respecting</li> </ul>	Submission of FUP respecting the regular deadline - labelled as International Collaboration	<ul> <li>Submission of FUP regardless of regular deadline - labelled as BSc/MSc/MD thesis</li> <li>Formal check of criteria by STCS office</li> </ul>	Submission of LOI respecting the regular deadline - labelled as     Monocentric Study. It will be send to the SC.	<ul> <li>Submission of LOI respecting the regular deadline - labelled as Amendment. It will be send to the SC.</li> <li>After invitation by STCS: Submission of</li> </ul>			

		the regular deadline.  Review of FUP by RV and statistician  Discussion and decision with review and Q/A Session at SC Meeting  PI will be informed about the decision and further review process (if applicable)	<ul> <li>Formal check of criteria by STCS office</li> <li>Discussion and decision w/o expert's review at SC Meeting Meeting. SC can request Q/A Session at SC Meeting and regular evaluation.</li> <li>PI will be informed about the decision</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Either:         <ul> <li>presidential decision when all conditions are fulfilled</li> <li>Discussion and decision w/o expert's review at SC Meeting. SC can request Q/A Session at SC Meeting and regular evaluation.</li> </ul> </li> <li>PI will be informed about the decision</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>After invitation by STCS: Submission of a FUP regardless of regular deadline</li> <li>Formal check of criteria by STCS office</li> <li>Either:         <ul> <li>presidential decision when all conditions are fulfilled</li> <li>Discussion and decision w/o expert's review at SC meeting. SC can request Q/A Session at SC Meeting and regular evaluation.</li> </ul> </li> <li>PI will be informed about the decision</li> </ul>	FUP respecting the regular deadline.  Formal check of criteria by STCS office  Discussion and decision w/o expert's review at SC Meeting  PI invited to SC Meeting for Q/A Session  PI will be informed about the decision
After approval	Progress report	• Submit 18 months after receiving AL	Submit 18 months after receiving AL	• No	Submit 18 months after receiving AL	Submit 18 months     after receiving AL
	Publications and final report	<ul> <li>All Publications         resulting from FUP         must acknowledge         STCS with         authorship</li> <li>Send manuscripts         to STCS prior to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Same rules as "Regular project" apply.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Same rules for publication as in "Regular project" apply.</li> <li>Send thesis to STCS to complete project</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Same rules as "Regular project" apply.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Same rules as "Regular project" apply.</li> </ul>

- publication for formal evaluation
- After publication, send accepted manuscript and lay summary of publication to STCS
- In case no publication exists, final report necessary

- In case no publication exists, the thesis document is sufficient
- Lay summary for thesis is recommended, but not mandatory

## Footnote:

\* An STCS investigator is defined as either member of one of the STCS bodies or working groups.

## Abbreviations:

AL Approval letter

FUP Full proposal

LOI Letter of Intent

SC Scientific Committee

PI Principle investigator

RV Reviewer

Q/A Question and Answer

w/o Without