

# SCOSTEP/PRESTO Grants for Year 2025

## -- Guidelines for application for meetings --

SCOSTEP/PRESTO provides support for organizing **international scientific meetings** (*conferences, symposia, workshops*) which are strictly related to one or more PRESTO Pillars and contribute to PRESTO activities. *Since SCOSTEP has dedicated funding for capacity building activity, please send requests for supporting schools directly to SCOSTEP President and Secretariat.*

SCOSTEP/PRESTO funding for one meeting is typically \$3K, but no more than \$5K. We urge candidates to raise additional funding for their meetings from other sources. This grant is limited to the usage of covering, fully or partially, the following expenses:

- Cost for preparation of online meeting, such as zoom license, archiving recorded presentations, etc.
- registration fee waivers
- travel expenses, visa payment, accommodation and per diem of selected participants.

### **How to prepare and submit your proposal**

1) Proposals can only be submitted by SCOSTEP members included in SCOSTEP-all mailing list. To join the SCOSTEP-all mailing list, please contact the SCOSTEP Secretariat, Dr. Keith Groves (“scostep[at]bc.edu” or “scosteprequest[at]bc.edu”, replace “[at]” by “@”).

2) Proposal should include the following information. Follow the SCOSTEP guideline of AI use (<https://scostep.org/about/ai-guidelines/>) to prepare the proposal.:

- a) description of the planned activity
- b) when and where it will occur and point of contact information
- c) meeting’s web page (if any).
- d) how the activity is related to PRESTO and its Pillar(s)
- e) anticipated attendance and demographics of the participants
- f) how it will enhance capacity building
- g) requested funding amount and how the funding will be used.
- h) list of other confirmed or addressed sponsors, and their approved or expected contribution.
- i) The length of the proposal should be no more than 2 pages.

3) Please contact relevant PRESTO Pillar co-leaders on your proposal and explain the relevance of your proposal to the PRESTO Pillar activity. Proposals of markedly interdisciplinary activities can be explained directly to PRESTO chair/co-chairs.

4) Send your proposal to Ms. Mai Asakura (asakura[at]isee.nagoya-u.ac.jp), one of the secretaries of the SCOSTEP President, Dr. Kazuo Shiokawa, by December 23, 2024.

**Conditions associated with a successful grant application are:**

- 1) After the deadline, the **decision of acceptance/rejection** of the proposal will be made by the PRESTO chair/co-chairs and the PRESTO Pillar co-leaders.
- 2) A final **scientific report** on the activity to be submitted to the appropriate Pillar co-leaders as well as to the chairs of PRESTO within 30 days of completion of the activity. The final report will eventually appear on the SCOSTEP/PRESTO website and newsletters.
- 3) A **financial report** including the breakdown of expenses and the names of the supported participants to be submitted to the SCOSTEP Secretariat, Dr. Keith Groves (scostep[at]bc.edu).
- 4) **Links to materials** to be added to the SCOSTEP website and to be then freely available to all in the PRESTO community (e.g., presentations, virtual observatories, press releases, publications, etc.).
- 5) The support by SCOSTEP/PRESTO **to be acknowledged** in the meeting announcement, sign boards, program book, etc.

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