

ECR Travel Support Rules

OPTIMIZATION AND EVOLUTION

In order to widen the participation of Early Career Researchers (ECR) in the EPOS Days, through the EPOS ON Project **we offer facilitations to the Thematic Core Services (TCS) who select more than one ECR**. In particular, EPOS will offer a **fee waiver and cover travel and accommodation expenses for the second and third ECR indicated by each TCS**, according to the following rules.

Eligibility

To be eligible for travel support, participants must:

- Not be part of a beneficiary organisation in EPOS ON*;
- Be indicated by their reference TCS as the beneficiary for travel & accommodation support.
- Have at least one paying ECR from the same TCS already registered in the EPOS Days.

Please note that the facilitation is offered through the TCS, so if you are a ECR and wish to participate in the EPOS Days 2026 and have your travel covered, you need to contact your TCS coordinator.

Travel support request procedure

To request travel support for their ECR, TCS need to contact communication@epos-eric.eu and nominate at least 2 and up to 3 ECR, specifying who will benefit of the travel and accommodation support. Both paying and non-paying ECR will attend the EPOS Days 2026 and participate in the dedicated session with a flash presentation and a poster. More than 3 ECR participants are allowed but the costs for extra participants shall be on the TCS or on their organisation, if so agreed. The ECR:

- Will register on the event website and, in the case of the paying ones, will proceed to settling the fee according to the instructions received during the registration and booking their trips; beneficiaries of the travel and accommodation support must follow the procedure detailed below.
- in the event of circumstances making it necessary to cancel participation, the ECR, whether paying or non-paying, will promptly notify the organizers and the TCS in order to allow others to replace them.

What does the EPOS ON travel support include and how is it provided?

- Transfer services, lunches and coffee breaks that are part of the school programme
- Social event
- Travel expenses (airline, train, bus tickets)
- Accommodation and breakfast.

All travel and accommodation expenses must be booked and issued through the appointed event agency and approved in advance by the organisers. The agency will contact beneficiaries in advance to arrange their stay.

What does the EPOS ON travel support NOT cover?

- Small expenses such as local transportation
- Meals that are not included in the school agenda, unless otherwise specified
- Social activities, unless otherwise specified
- Taxi transfers to/from airports or railway stations unless otherwise agreed for specific reasons (e.g. time of arrival/departure not compatible with other means of transportation, disability or mobility issues of the participant, etc)
- Anything not expressly included in the list above or agreed in advance with the organisers.

More information & inquiries

Additional questions and inquiries related to the travel support topics can be addressed to communication@epos-eric.eu

** ECR affiliated to one of the EPOS ON beneficiaries are very welcome to attend but need to use the project funds to cover their travel and accommodation expenses.*