# **Guidelines for the Use of the Grant**

(Tempus IV third call for proposals n° EACEA/28/2009)

# GENERAL CONDITIONS

# 1. COMPOSITION AND MODIFICATION OF THE PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS

- 1.1 Institutions or individuals from the following countries may participate in Tempus projects but only on a self-financing basis: Croatia, Turkey, the EFTA countries (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland).
- 1.2 Any proposed modification to the project beneficiaries must be signalled and requires prior approval by the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency. The following requirements are necessary for the different modifications to the project partnership:
  - Addition of a co-beneficiary requires a mandate signed between the co-ordinator and the new
    co-beneficiary and acceptance letters from all other co-beneficiaries signed by the contact
    persons. These should be forwarded by the co-ordinator with the request.
  - Withdrawal of a co-beneficiary requires written explanation from the co-ordinator and a withdrawal letter from the withdrawing co-beneficiary, signed by the legal representative. Where the minimum partnership requirements are no longer fulfilled, the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency reserves the right to decide on the continuation of the agreement.
  - Changes of contact person for the co-ordinator require written confirmation signed by the new contact person, the legal representative and the former contact person of the co-ordinator.
- 1.3 Subcontracting may only be considered for specific, time-bound, project-related tasks which cannot be performed by the Consortium members themselves. In all cases, prior written authorisation from the Agency must be obtained.

# 2. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- 2.1 Readable copies (not originals) of the required supporting documents detailed in the boxed text below must be sent with the submission of the Final report and financial statement. Please note that, if there are doubts on any particular point, the Agency may request that all the supporting documents be forwarded.
- 2.2 Submitting the required supporting documents is an integral part of the agreement obligations and failure to submit one or more documents may lead to a request for reimbursement of the corresponding expenses.
- 2.3 Whilst the Agency only requires copies of subcontracts and invoices to be sent when the threshold of EUR 25 000 is exceeded in the Staff costs or Equipment budget headings, please be aware that quotations from at least three suppliers must obtained for all purchases in excess of EUR 25 000, irrespective of the budget heading. Documentation on the tendering procedure and the three quotations must be retained with the project accounts in all cases.

#### **BUDGET HEADINGS**

#### 3. STAFF COSTS

- 3.1 The grant may be used to cover the cost of staff for all beneficiaries\* when they are performing administrative or academic tasks which are directly necessary to the achievement of the objective of the project, and on the condition that their salary for the same tasks is not covered by another source.
  - \* Public administrations (Ministries, other national, regional and local administrations) or governmental organisations may also participate in the Tempus programme as cobeneficiaries but may not receive funding from the grant with the exception of reimbursement for travel costs and costs of stay. This applies to both Joint Projects and Structural Measures.

Salaries and fees may not exceed local rates; this applies both to European Union and Partner Countries. Staff costs must correspond to the employing institution's usual policy on remuneration, comprising actual salaries plus social security charges and other statutory costs included in the remuneration. Non statutory costs are excluded. Moreover, additional hours will be financed at the normal hourly rate and not at any higher rate. Staff costs should be calculated on the basis of the task performed and not on the status of the person. Maximum rates for daily staff costs are indicated in Annex 3 of these guidelines (to calculate the hourly rate, please divide by 7.5). The rate for the country in which the beneficiary organisation is registered will be applied, independently of where the tasks are executed. Higher rates may be applied where this is common practice and can be duly justified by supporting documents (for example, a payslip proving that a higher wage was paid to the person concerned for a previous or similar post).

3.2 A duly filled out staff convention (Annex 1 of these guidelines) for each person employed by the project or, in the case of service providers (individuals or companies), a sub-contract and invoice must be attached to the project accounts and retained by the co-ordinator as supporting documents. The conventions must be signed by the person concerned, then signed and stamped by the person responsible in the institution where this person is normally employed. For staff performing both administrative and academic tasks a separate convention must be signed for each type of activity.

# 3.3 **Replacement Costs** (for European Union Member States only)

The grant may be used to cover the personnel cost of replacing European Union Member State academic staff and experts who are on a teaching mission/training assignment in the Partner Countries for a minimum continuous period of one month and up to a maximum of ten months. Costs can only be covered when the staff members have actually been replaced for the period of time in question. Supporting documents to this effect must be retained with the project accounts.

Replacement costs must correspond to the employing institution's usual policy on remuneration, comprising actual salaries plus social security charges and other statutory costs included in the remuneration. Non-statutory costs are excluded. Maximum rates for daily staff costs are indicated in Annex 3 of these guidelines. The rate of the country in which the person is replaced will be applied. Higher rates may be applied where this is common practice and can be duly justified by supporting documents (for example, a payslip proving that a higher wage was paid to the person concerned for a previous or similar post).

- 3.4 A confirmation from the Member State institution that the vacated role was filled for the period in question, together with a duly filled out convention (for the member of staff filling the vacated role) must be retained with the project accounts. The conventions (Annex 1 of these guidelines) must be signed by the person concerned, then signed and stamped by the responsible person in the institution where this person has been employed.
- 3.5 The total expenses for staff costs may not exceed 40% of the eligible direct costs.

- 3.6 Supporting documents **should not be sent**<sup>[A]</sup> with the financial statement. The following should, however, be **retained with the project accounts**:
  - ✓ Staff conventions, invoices, subcontracts.
  - ✓ When the threshold of EUR 25 000 is exceeded, documentation on the tendering procedure and three quotations.

At this stage, the services of the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency will take note of the expenses for which copies of supporting documents are not required on the basis of financial statements (lists of expenses) sent by the co-ordinator (see Annex IV of the Grant Agreement- "Final Report"). Executive Agency staff will examine these lists in detail to verify the eligibility of expenses. If there are doubts on any particular point, the Agency may request that all the supporting documents be forwarded.

# [A] The **following documents must be provided** with the financial statement:

- For a service provider (individuals or companies) where the total value of the subcontract is more than EUR 25 000, copies (not originals) of the subcontract and invoice must be sent as supporting documents.
- NB: In the financial statements, the co-ordinator must indicate, in the space provided on the list of invoices for subcontractors, the names of companies/organisations/experts consulted (minimum three). The beneficiaries may not split the purchase of services into smaller contracts with amounts lower than the EUR 25 000 threshold.
- Where a higher salary rate (see Annex 3 of these guidelines) has been applied, supporting documents such as a payslip proving that a higher wage was paid to the person concerned for a previous or similar post.

#### 4. TRAVEL COSTS AND COSTS OF STAY

- 4.1 The grant awarded for travel costs and costs of stay is stated in Annex II.
- 4.2 This budget heading is intended as a contribution towards travel and costs of stay (including travel, accommodation, subsistence, personal or health insurance costs and entrance visas) of staff and students participating in the project. The responsibility for ensuring adequate insurance arrangements lies with the beneficiaries.
- 4.3 Travel for research activities cannot be financed from the Tempus grant.
- 4.4 Mobility Grant (staff)

Only people under official contract in the beneficiary institutions and subcontracted service providers may benefit from the mobility grant.

The following groups of teaching and administrative staff can benefit from the grant:

- University teachers and trainers or trainers from enterprises and other institutions participating in the project;
- Officials and administrators, non-teaching university staff or staff from enterprises or other institutions participating in the project;
- Subcontracted service providers (subject to prior written authorisation by the Agency);
- Public administrations or governmental organisations (see point 3.1 of these guidelines).

The above terms refer to the status of these people in their home institution.

#### 4.4.1 Eligible activities

The guiding principle for activities and related travel is that they are carried out on the premises of the project beneficiaries listed in Annex V (some notable exceptions are given in the list below).

The following are eligible:

- Teaching/training assignments for Partner Country staff/trainers carried out on the premises of the beneficiaries in the European Union or Partner Countries;
- Teaching/training assignments for European Union staff/trainers carried out on the premises of the beneficiaries in the Partner Countries;
- Retraining and update courses for Partner Country staff carried out on the premises of the beneficiaries in the European Union or the Partner Countries;
- Practical placements in companies, industries and institutions for Partner Country teaching/administrative staff and trainees carried out in the European Union or Partner Countries participating in the project;
- Meetings for management, coordination, planning, monitoring and quality control activities, carried out in the European Union or Partner Countries participating in the project;
- Workshops and visits for dissemination purposes to other parties in the Partner Countries participating in the project (other educational institutions, regional education authorities, business community, institutions);
- Language training for a well-defined target group of teaching/administrative staff from the Partner Country in the Partner Country itself wherever possible. If not possible, the language training should be combined with another eligible mobility and may include travel to one of the European Union or Partner Countries participating in the project;
- Inter-project coaching.

Prior authorisation from the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency is required if the recipient of the mobility grant intends to carry out activities not described above (such as travel to or from countries other than those participating in the project).

#### 4.4.2 Eligible expenses for staff travel costs

Travel costs cover transport at national and international level. Only actual travel costs will be considered eligible.

- Costs may be claimed only for journeys directly connected to specific and clearly identifiable project-related activities.
- Reimbursement is based on real costs, independent of the means of travel chosen (rail, bus, taxi, plane, hire car); beneficiaries are required to use the cheapest means of travel (e.g. Economy tickets for air travel and to take advantage of reduced fares; where this is not the case a full explanation should be provided).
- The travel cost for a journey should include all costs and means of travel from the point of departure to the point of arrival (and return) and may include visa fees and reasonable cancellation costs.
- Expenses for travel by private car (private or company cars), where substantiated and where the price is not excessive, will be refunded as follows (whichever the cheaper option):
  - either a rate per km in accordance with the internal rules of the organisation concerned up to a maximum of EUR 0.22;
  - or the price of a rail, bus or plane ticket (see second bullet point above); only the price of one ticket will be reimbursed, irrespective of the number of people travelling in the same vehicle.
- For hire cars (maximum category B or equivalent) or taxis:
  - the actual cost where this is not excessive if compared to other means of transport (also taking into account factors such as time of day or excessive luggage);
  - Reimbursement will be made for the real cost of car hire, irrespective of the number of people travelling in the same vehicle.
- Costs related to entry visas and related obligatory insurance should also be listed under this heading.

#### 4.4.3 Eligible expenses for staff costs of stay

This budget heading is meant to provide each person participating in a mobility programme with a daily allowance to cover costs for subsistence, accommodation, local and public transport such as bus and taxi, personal or optional health insurance etc.

The following **ceilings in euro** apply per person:

| Duration         | Costs of stay for international mobility or within an EU | Costs of stay for Partner<br>Country staff within their own |  |  |
|------------------|--|---|--|--|
|                  | country  | country   |  |  |
| 1 day            | 150  | 80  |  |  |
| 2 days           | 292  | 150   |  |  |
| 3 days           | 434  | 220   |  |  |
| 4 days           | 576  | 290   |  |  |
| 5 days           | 718  | 360   |  |  |
| 6 days           | 860  | 430   |  |  |
| 1 week           | 1 000  | 500   |  |  |
| 2 weeks          | 1 600  | 800   |  |  |
| 3 weeks          | 2 100  | 1 000   |  |  |
| 4 weeks          | 2 500  | 1 250   |  |  |
| Additional weeks | 300  | 150   |  |  |

Where the stay falls between the week durations indicated in the table, the upper limit will be calculated as follows:

The figure for the shorter duration is subtracted from the figure for the longer duration. The resulting figure divided by 7 gives the daily allowance for each day over and above the duration of the shorter stay.

For example: For an international mobility of 17 days: (3 weeks) 2 100 - (2 weeks) 1 600 = 500. Divided by 7 = 71.43. The costs of stay can be  $1 600 + (3 \times 71.43) = \text{EUR } 1 814.29 \text{ maximum}$ 

These references are maximum rates. The amount paid should, however, be relative to the destination (cost of living) and in accordance with the sending institution's policy.

Except in the case of a **national law** to the contrary, beneficiary institutions should not suspend payment of normal salaries to their staff during time spent travelling within the framework of the Tempus project.

- 4.4.4 Supporting documents **should not be sent** with the financial statement. The following should, however, be **retained with the project accounts**:
  - ✓ Individual mobility reports (Annex 2 of these guidelines) together with all copies of travel tickets, boarding passes, invoices, receipts, or for car travel a copy of the internal regulations on the reimbursement rate per km. The aim of the supporting documentation is to demonstrate the actual cost of the travel and the fact that the trip actually took place. When travel costs are shared (coach), the supporting documentation (invoice) for the group should be retained and each individual should keep a record of their share of the hire costs in the Individual mobility report.

At this stage, the services of the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency will take note of the expenses for which copies of supporting documents are not required on the basis of financial statements (lists of expenses) sent by the co-ordinator (see Annex IV of the Grant Agreement - "Final Report"). Executive Agency staff will examine these lists in detail to verify the eligibility of expenses. If there are doubts on any particular point, the Agency may request that all the supporting documents be forwarded.

# 4.5 Mobility Grant (students)

Student travel grants may only be used for travel directly related to the project objective. The study period or practical placement abroad should form an integral part of the student's study and should be recognised as part of their home degree or qualification.

Only the following types of students can benefit from a grant for travel costs and costs of stay:

- Undergraduate students (having completed at least two years of study);
- Graduate, postgraduate and doctoral students undertaking a further study programme.

# 4.5.1 Eligible activities for students

The guiding principle for activities and related travel is that they are carried out on the premises of the project beneficiaries listed in Annex V (some notable exceptions are given in the list below).

Grants may be awarded for the following types of activities. Unless otherwise specified, the duration must be for a **minimum period of two weeks, up to a maximum of three months**.

The following are eligible:

- Study periods for Partner Country students carried out on the premises of the beneficiaries in the European Union or Partner Countries;
- Study periods for European Union students carried out on the premises of the beneficiaries in the Partner Countries;
- Participation in intensive courses for Partner Country students at postgraduate level (strictly targeted training in a specific subject area for a well defined target group), carried out on the premises of the beneficiaries in the European Union or Partner Countries;
- Practical placements with a minimum duration of one month for Partner Country students carried out in companies, industries or institutions in the European Union or Partner Countries participating in the project;
- Practical placements with a minimum duration of one month for European Union students carried out in companies, industries or institutions in the Partner Countries participating in the project;
- Participation of Partner Country or European Union student representatives in management/coordination meetings or quality control activities taking place in European Union or Partner Countries participating in the project (duration of less than two weeks can be accepted and the rates for staff costs of stay may be applied).

Prior written authorisation from the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency is required if the recipient of the mobility grant intends to carry out activities not described above (such as travel to or from countries other than those participating in the project).

#### 4.5.2 Eligible expenses for student travel costs

Student travel costs cover transport costs at national and international level. Only actual travel costs will be eligible. Efforts should be made to make low cost travel arrangements for students.

- Costs may be claimed only for student mobility directly connected to specific and clearly identifiable project-related activities.
- Reimbursement is based on real costs, independent of the means of travel chosen (rail, bus, taxi, plane, hire car); beneficiaries are required to use the cheapest means of travel (e.g. Economy tickets for air travel and to take advantage of reduced fares; where this is not the case a full explanation should be provided).
- The travel cost for a journey should include all costs and means of travel from the point of departure to the point of arrival (and return) and may include visa fees and reasonable cancellation costs.

- Expenses for travel by private car (private or company cars), where substantiated and where the price is not excessive, will be refunded as follows (whichever the cheaper option):
  - either a rate per km in accordance with the internal rules of the organisation concerned up to a maximum of EUR 0.22;
  - or the price of a rail, bus or plane ticket (see second bullet point above); only the price of one ticket will be reimbursed, irrespective of the number of people travelling in the same vehicle.
- For hire cars (maximum category B or equivalent) or taxis:
  - the actual cost where this is not excessive if compared to other means of transport (also taking account factors such as time of day or excessive luggage);
  - Reimbursement will be made for the real cost of car hire, irrespective of the number of people travelling in the same vehicle.
- Costs related to entry visas and related obligatory insurance should also be listed under this heading.

# 4.5.3 Eligible expenses for student costs of stay

This budget heading is meant to provide each person participating in a mobility programme with an allowance to cover costs for subsistence, accommodation, local and public transport such as bus and taxi, personal or optional health insurance etc.

The following ceilings per month, in euro, apply per person:

| Duration            | Costs of stay in the<br>European Union | Costs of stay in a Partner<br>Country |  |
|---------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Per month (30 days) | 1 200                                  | 800                                   |  |

The calculation of costs for stays falling between full month durations should be proportionate with the monthly amount indicated above. For example: 17 days costs of stay in the EU = (EUR 1 200:30)  $\times$  17 days = EUR 680 maximum.

These references are maximum rates. The amount paid should, however, be relative to the destination (cost of living) and in accordance with the sending institution's policy.

Where a student is on mobility within their own country, the co-ordinator should pay reasonable costs and may in no circumstance exceed the ceiling given above. A student attending a different institution but who is still able to travel from home on a daily basis should not be counted as 'on mobility' and therefore should not be entitled to 'costs of stay' under the Tempus grant.

#### 4.5.4 Institutional costs

For **study periods abroad for a maximum of 3 consecutive months** per student, the host university can claim institutional costs to cover any eligible costs incurred by the host university as a result of receiving students from abroad. Only students benefiting from a travel costs and costs of stay grant paid from the Tempus grant can be considered for institutional costs.

For a mobility to the European Union: EUR 200 for one month, EUR 350 for two months and EUR 500 for three months.

For a mobility to the Partner Country: EUR 70 for one month, EUR 140 for two months and EUR 200 for three months.

- 4.5.5 Supporting documents **should not be sent** with the financial statement. The following should, however, be **retained with the project accounts**:
  - ✓ Individual mobility reports (Annex 2 of these guidelines) together with all copies of travel tickets, boarding passes, invoices and receipts, or for car travel a copy of the internal regulations on the reimbursement rate per km. The aim of the supporting documentation is to

demonstrate the actual cost of the travel and the fact that the trip actually took place. When travel costs are shared (coach), the supporting documentation (invoice) for the group should be retained and each individual should keep a record of their share of the hire costs in the Individual mobility report.

At this stage, the services of the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency will take note of the expenses for which copies of supporting documents are not required on the basis of financial statements (lists of expenses) sent by the co-ordinator (see Annex IV of the Grant Agreement - "Final implementation report, summary report for publication and financial statement"). Executive Agency staff will examine these lists in detail to verify the eligibility of expenses. If there are doubts on any particular point, the Agency may request that all the supporting documents be forwarded.

#### 5. EQUIPMENT

5.1 Only the purchase of equipment which is directly relevant to the objectives of the project can be considered as eligible expenditure. This could include, for example, books and periodicals, fax machines; photocopying machines; computers and peripherals, software; machines and equipment for teaching purposes; video-projectors (hardware) and video-presentations (software); television sets, installing/setting up of communication lines for internet connection/Skype; access to databases (libraries and electronic libraries outside the partnership); consumables required to ensure the smooth functioning of equipment; equipment maintenance, insurance, transport and installation costs.

Equipment which is not eligible under the Tempus grant cannot be co-financed and, in these cases other sources of funding must be found.

Hiring of equipment may be considered eligible, but only in exceptional and duly justified circumstances and provided it does not continue beyond the duration of the Grant Agreement.

- 5.2 For <u>Joint Projects</u>, equipment is intended exclusively for the Partner Country universities which are included in the partnership where it must be installed as soon as practically possible. The equipment must also be recorded in the inventory of the university/ies where it is installed. This university is the sole owner of the equipment.
- 5.3 For <u>Structural Measures</u>, equipment may be purchased for the Partner Country universities or for any other Partner Country institution or organisation included in the partnership (with the exception of public administrations or governmental organisations (see point 3.1 of these guidelines).
- 5.4 Equipment purchased and provision of services in the Partner Countries are exempt from taxes (including VAT), duties and charges (such as customs and import duties), if a Common Framework agreement ("Financing agreement") has been signed between the European Commission and the Partner Country.

The co-ordinator will receive an exemption certificate from the Agency. The relevant National Tempus Office and Department of Taxes and Custom Duties of the Ministry of Finance in the Partner Country where the purchase is being made can be contacted to provide the necessary information and documents.

The said certificate cannot be used to purchase equipment or services exempt from taxes (including VAT) within the European Union. However, equipment purchased within the EU with a view to being immediately exported to Partner Countries in the framework of the Tempus programme may be exempted from taxes (including VAT), duties and charges in accordance with the normal rules.

5.5 The total expenses for equipment may not exceed 30% of the eligible direct costs.

- 5.6 Supporting documents should not be sent [B] with the financial statement. The following should, however, be retained with the project accounts:
  - ✓ Invoice(s) for all purchased equipment (please note that order forms, pro-forma invoices, quotations or estimates are not considered as proof of expenditure).
  - ✓ When the threshold of EUR 25 000 is exceeded, documentation on the tendering procedure and three quotations.

At this stage, the services of the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency will take note of the expenses for which copies of supporting documents are not required on the basis of financial statements (lists of expenses) sent by the co-ordinator (see Annex IV of the Grant Agreement- "Final Report"). Executive Agency staff will examine these lists in detail to verify the eligibility of expenses. If there are doubts on any particular point, the Agency may request that all the supporting documents be forwarded.

#### The **following documents must be provided** with the financial statement:

For equipment with a total value of more than EUR 25 000, a copy (not original) of the invoice(s) must be sent as supporting documents.

NB: In the financial statements, the co-ordinator must indicate, in the space provided on the list of invoices for equipment, the names of firms consulted (minimum three). The beneficiaries may not split the purchase of equipment into smaller contracts with individual amounts lower than the EUR 25 000 threshold.

#### 6. PRINTING AND PUBLISHING COSTS

- 6.1 Costs relating to printing, publishing (including in electronic format as well as web design and websites), photocopying of teaching material and any other documentation necessary to achieve the objectives of the project should be reported under this heading.
- 6.2 Supporting documents **should not be sent** with the financial statement. The following should, however, be **retained with the project accounts**:
  - ✓ All invoices.
  - ✓ When the threshold of EUR 25 000 is exceeded, documentation on the tendering procedure and three quotations.

At this stage, the services of the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency will take note of the expenses for which copies of supporting documents are not required on the basis of financial statements (lists of expenses) sent by the co-ordinator (see Annex IV of the Grant Agreement - "Final Report"). Executive Agency staff will examine these lists in detail to verify the eligibility of expenses. If there are doubts on any particular point, the Agency may request that all the supporting documents be forwarded.

#### 7. OTHER COSTS

7.1 This category covers costs for dissemination of information (advertising in the media, promotional materials), hire of premises for dissemination events (only with prior written approval), specific external evaluation of an activity or action, audits, inter-project coaching (up to a maximum of €2500), bank charges including bank guarantee charges where requested by the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency, external language courses, external IT courses, and external translation services.

- 7.2 Supporting documents **should not be sent** with the financial statement. The following should, however, be **retained with the project accounts**:
  - ✓ Invoices and bank statements.
  - ✓ When the threshold of EUR 25 000 is exceeded, documentation on the tendering procedure and three quotations.

At this stage, the services of the Education, Audiovisual & Culture Executive Agency will take note of the expenses for which copies of supporting documents are not required on the basis of financial statements (lists of expenses) sent by the co-ordinator (see Annex IV of the Grant Agreement - "Final Report"). Executive Agency staff will examine these lists in detail to verify the eligibility of expenses. If there are doubts on any particular point, the Agency may request that all the supporting documents be forwarded.

#### 8. INDIRECT COSTS

- 8.1 Indirect costs include stationery, general photocopying, office supplies, postage and telecommunication costs directly related to the project. Whilst the cost of installing an internet connection can be covered under equipment, the cost of using internet and other computerised communication software should be covered under 'Indirect costs'.
- 8.2 The total amount for indirect costs is fixed at 7% of the total eligible direct costs.
- 8.3 No supporting documentation is required.
- 8.4 No co-financing is permitted under this heading.

#### 9. CO-FINANCING

- 9.1 As set out in the Grant Agreement, the maximum European Union contribution may not exceed 90% of the total eligible costs as established on completion of the action. In accordance with the Grant Agreement, the final amount of the European Union grant will therefore be determined only at the end of the project. The remaining costs, equivalent to at least 10% of the total eligible costs and identified in the estimated budget of the action contained in Annex II as co-financing, must be financed from sources other than the European Union.
- 9.2 Costs that are ineligible for Tempus funding, cannot be counted as co-financing contributions. Furthermore, overheads/indirect costs do not represent an eligible co-financing contribution.
- 9.3 The supporting documents to justify co-financing are the same as those required for costs covered by the European Union grant. Documents should be retained with the project accounts/provided according to the information given in these guidelines.

# 10. INELIGIBLE COSTS

- 10.1 Please do not assume that since your project has been selected, all activities listed in the application are automatically eligible. Before starting your activities, do check first against the Grant Agreement and the conditions laid out in these guidelines.
- 10.2 The following costs are considered ineligible:
  - return on capital;
  - debt and debt service charges;
  - provisions for losses or potential future liabilities;
  - interest owed;
  - doubtful debts;

- exchange losses;
- VAT, unless the beneficiary can show that he is unable to recover it according to the applicable national legislation;
- costs declared by a beneficiary and covered by another action or work programme receiving a European Union grant;
- excessive or reckless expenditure;
- equipment such as: furniture, motor vehicles of any kind, equipment for research and development purposes, telephones, mobile phones, alarm systems and anti-theft systems;
- hospitality costs;
- costs related to the use of materials (computer, laboratory, library, etc.) incurred by universities, institutions, industries or companies when hosting staff;
- registration fees for courses, seminars, symposia, conferences, congresses;
- costs of premises (purchase, rent, heating, maintenance, repairs etc.). Renting of premises is only possible for specific dissemination events with prior written approval from the Agency;
- costs linked to the purchase of real estate;
- expenses for activities and related travel that are not carried out on the premises of the
  project beneficiaries (see Annex V of the Grant Agreement), unless listed as an eligible
  activity in these guidelines or explicit prior authorisation has been granted by the Agency;
- expenses incurred outside the eligibility period;
- contributions in kind.
- 10.3 Costs that are ineligible for Tempus funding, cannot be counted as co-financing contributions.

#### 11. TRANSFERS BETWEEN BUDGET HEADINGS

- 11.1 In addition to article I.4.4 of the Grant Agreement, if the beneficiaries wish, when carrying out the action, to adjust the estimated budget by transfers between items of eligible direct costs, which would result in more than 10% of increase to the amount of any item of estimated eligible direct costs for which the transfer is intended, the co-ordinator will issue a request for amendment as specified in Article II.13.
- 11.2 The flexibility of 10% does not apply to the Indirect Costs budget heading.

#### **ANNEXES**

| Annex 1 | Convention for Staff Costs                                 |
|---------|--|
| Annex 2 | Individual mobility report for Travel and Costs of stay    |
| Annex 3 | Maximum daily rates for EU and Partner Country staff costs |

|          | CO  | NVENTION for Staff Cos   | sts      |  |                 |                   | Annex 1              |  |
|----------|---|--|----------|--|-----------------|-------------------|----------------------|--|
| Ref.     | No  | •••••  | •        |  | Te              | mpus Project N    | lo                   |  |
| The re   | The reference number must correspond to the progressive numbering indicated in the financial statements of the final report |  |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
|          |   |  |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
| Ветч     | WEEN  |  |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
|          |   | Hereinafter "the Inst  | itution  | *"   |                 |                   |                      |  |
| AND      | •   | Address:   |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
|          |   | Hereinafter "the Ser   |          | ovider"                                      | •••••           |                   |                      |  |
| Тне      | FOLL  | OWING HAS BEEN AGREED:   |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
| 1.<br>2. | The I   | nstitution is a member of the nstitution and Service Properform the following duties | vider a  | gree that the Service I                      | Provider        |                   | nis project          |  |
|          |   | dd/mm/yy   |          | dd/mm/yy                                     |                 |                   | (No of days)         |  |
| FRC      | )M  |  | ТО       |  | Duratio         | n in days:        |                      |  |
| Du       | ties (s   | ee Annex 3):   |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
|          | <b>A</b> anage  |  |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
|          |   | her, Teacher, Trainer  |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
|          |   | al staff   |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
| Α        | Admini  | strative staff   |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
|          | Pleas   | e describe the specific dutie  | s:       |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
|          |   |  |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
|          |   |  |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
| 3.       | shoul   | r no circumstances may sa<br>d be calculated on the basis                            | of the   | and fees exceed local rank performed and not | rates of the st | atus of the perso | y. Fees and salaries |  |
| 4.       | The c   | ost to be borne by the Temp  | ous gra  | nt and/or co-financed is                     | s calculat      | ed as follows:    |                      |  |
|          | Nur   | nber of days devoted to the  | project  | t  |                 | No of days        |                      |  |
|          | Gro   | ss salary/fee per day in EUI   | R (see 1 | rates in Annex 3)                            |                 | EUR               |                      |  |
|          | Tot   | al cost (Tempus grant and  | l co-fin | ancing)                                      |                 | EUR               |                      |  |
|          |   | ase indicate in the correspo<br>I by Tempus and the amoun                            |          |  | amount          |                   |                      |  |
| and 1    | the Se  | reement does not alter in an arvice Provider and has been will pay from the Tempus § | en esta  | blished solely for the p                     |                 |                   |                      |  |
| Done     | e in  |  |          | . on   |                 |                   |                      |  |
| Instit   | Institution Service Provider  |  |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |
| Sign     | ature :   | and Stamp of the Institution   |          |  |                 |                   |                      |  |

\* The conventions must be signed by the person concerned, then signed and stamped by the person responsible in the institution where this person is normally employed.

|   | AL MOBILITY REP                | ORT for tr     | avel costs and costs        | s of stay               |   | Annex 2         |  |  |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------|--|--|
| Ref. NoTempus Project No  |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| The reference number must correspond to the progressive numbering indicated in the financial statements in the final report |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
|   | leted by <u>each</u> recipient |                |                             |                         |   | 1. 1            |  |  |
|   | <u>ned</u> to the co-ordinator | r together v   | <b>vith</b> readable copies | s of all travel tickets | , boar                                  | ding passes and |  |  |
| other supporting documents.   |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| PERSONA   | L DATA                         |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
|   | <del></del>                    |                | Forename                    | <del>5</del> :          |   |                 |  |  |
| Gender:   | Nation                         | nality:        |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
|   | ution:                         |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| -   | n/student year of study        |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| Host institut   | ion(s):                        | •••••          |                             |                         | • |                 |  |  |
| TVPF OF A   | ACTIVITY FOR WH                | ICH CRAI       | NT WAS RECEIVE              | 7 <b>D</b>              |   |                 |  |  |
|   | opriate. If activities we      |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| STAF  |                                | ore comoune    | a, prease usi mem n         | STUDENTS                |   |                 |  |  |
| Teach   | ing/training assignment o      | f staff        |                             | Study period            |   |                 |  |  |
|   | ning/update activity for s     |                |                             | Practical placeme       | ent                                     |                 |  |  |
| Practio   | cal placement                  |                |                             | Short intensive c       | ourse                                   |                 |  |  |
| Devel   | opment of academic activ       | rities         |                             | Student represen        | tation                                  |                 |  |  |
| Short   | visit for coordination, plans  | ning and quali | ity control                 |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| Short   | intensive course               |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| Disser  | mination visit                 |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
|   |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| TRAVEL C  | COSTS AND COSTS                | OF STAY        | (Tempus grant and           | co-financing)           | 4                                       | Amount in EUR   |  |  |
| T   |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| ■ Cos   | sts of Stay (amount rec        | eived by the   | e recipient of the mo       | bility grant)           |   |                 |  |  |
| _   |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| ■ Tra   | ivel Costs                     |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| - TDO   |                                | COCTC          |                             | 4 1                     |   |                 |  |  |
|   | TAL TRAVEL AND ancing)         | COSTS O        | F STAY (Tempus g            | grant and co-           |   |                 |  |  |
|   | G,                             |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
|   | ase specify in the finan       |                | in the Final Report th      | ne amount declared      |   |                 |  |  |
| par   | d by Tempus and/or co          | -mancea.       |                             |                         | <u> </u>                                |                 |  |  |
| PERIOD SI   | PENT ABROAD:                   |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| LIGOD   | (dd/mm/yy)                     |                | (dd/mm/yy)                  |                         |   | (no. of         |  |  |
| days)   |                                |                |                             |                         |   | , ,             |  |  |
| From:   |                                | To:            |                             | Duration in day         | ys:                                     |                 |  |  |
| DD2 2= ==   |                                |                |                             |                         |   | _               |  |  |
| <u>DESCRIPT</u>   | TION OF ACTIVITY               | PERFORM        | <u>MED</u>                  |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| Please give   | a brief description of th      | he activities  | performed during th         | he mobility.            |   |                 |  |  |
|   |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
|   |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
|   |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| CICNIATII   | DE OE THE DECIDI               | ZNIM.          |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
|   | RE OF THE RECIPII              |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| (date and sign here as proof of receipt)  |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| I hereby declare that I have been reimbursed for the above-mentioned mobility.  |                                |                |                             |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| _ 1121 CO J WC  | viiii 2 mi (                   |                | or move me                  |                         |   |                 |  |  |
| Date:   |                                |                |                             |                         | Sign                                    | nature:         |  |  |

# Staff Costs - Maximum eligible daily rates for EU staff (in €)

Gross rates: The rates include all taxes and social contributions

| Country              | Manager | Researcher<br>Teacher<br>Trainer | Technical | Administrative |  |
|----------------------|---------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------|--|
| Belgique/Belgie - BE | 376     | 321                              | 260       | 203            |  |
| Bulgaria- BG         | 79      | 71                               | 55        | 37             |  |
| Ceska Republika - CZ | 144     | 144                              | 104       | 75             |  |
| Danmark - DK         | 489     | 419                              | 341       | 267            |  |
| Deutschland - DE     | 363     | 315                              | 253       | 195            |  |
| Eesti - EE           | 117     | 107                              | 75        | 53             |  |
| Ellas - EL           | 267     | 228                              | 187       | 145            |  |
| Espana -ES           | 295     | 265                              | 204       | 143            |  |
| France - FR          | 424     | 359                              | 235       | 179            |  |
| Ireland - IE         | 479     | 417                              | 348       | 255            |  |
| Italia - IT          | 568     | 332                              | 225       | 187            |  |
| Kypros - CY          | 304     | 267                              | 165       | 113            |  |
| Latvija - LV         | 131     | 107                              | 85        | 57             |  |
| Lithuania - LT       | 103     | 88                               | 67        | 47             |  |
| Luxembourg - LU      | 493     | 423                              | 343       | 267            |  |
| Magyarorszag - HU    | 141     | 123                              | 93        | 53             |  |
| Malta - MT           | 129     | 117                              | 91        | 65             |  |
| Nederland - NL       | 381     | 333                              | 264       | 207            |  |
| Österreich - AT      | 419     | 323                              | 240       | 199            |  |
| Polska - PL          | 161     | 133                              | 103       | 75             |  |
| Portugal - PT        | 183     | 161                              | 119       | 79             |  |
| Rumania- RO          | 155     | 119                              | 93        | 59             |  |
| Slovenija -SI        | 252     | 227                              | 183       | 115            |  |
| Slovensko -SK        | 133     | 119                              | 95        | 77             |  |
| Suomi - FI           | 361     | 259                              | 213       | 179            |  |
| Sverige - SE         | 505     | 432                              | 355       | 273            |  |
| United Kingdom - UK  | 469     | 443                              | 311       | 224            |  |

Staff Costs - Maximum eligible daily rates for Tempus partner country staff (in €)

**Gross rates:** The rates include all taxes and social contributions

| Country                                      |      | Manager | Researcher<br>Teacher<br>Trainer | Technical | Administrative |
|--|------|---------|----------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| Western Balkans                              |      |         |                                  |           |                |
| Albania                                      | AL   | 68      | 59                               | 30        | 22             |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina                       | BA   | 95      | 80                               | 65        | 45             |
| the former Yugoslav<br>Republic of Macedonia | MK   | 94      | 91                               | 34        | 56             |
| Kosovo*                                      | 1244 | 100     | 80                               | 30        | 25             |
| Montenegro                                   | ME   | 110     | 87                               | 52        | 46             |
| Serbia                                       | RS   | 110     | 90                               | 50        | 40             |
| Southern Neighbouring                        | Area |         |                                  |           |                |
| Algeria                                      | DZ   | 210     | 190                              | 100       | 70             |
| Egypt  | EG   | 138     | 123                              | 96        | 75             |
| Israel                                       | IL   | 376     | 252                              | 160       | 102            |
| Jordan                                       | JO   | 166     | 122                              | 83        | 55             |
| Lebanon                                      | LB   | 210     | 190                              | 90        | 50             |
| Morocco                                      | MA   | 260     | 190                              | 110       | 70             |
| Occupied Palestinian territory               | PS   | 146     | 146                              | 99        | 99             |
| Syria  | SY   | 100     | 80                               | 60        | 50             |
| Tunisia                                      | TN   | 70      | 80                               | 30        | 30             |
| Eastern Neighbouring A                       | rea  | -       |                                  |           |                |
| Armenia                                      | AM   | 50      | 40                               | 30        | 25             |
| Azerbaijan                                   | AZ   | 110     | 90                               | 70        | 50             |
| Belarus                                      | BY   | 120     | 110                              | 90        | 65             |
| Georgia                                      | GE   | 50      | 40                               | 30        | 25             |
| Moldova                                      | MD   | 55      | 45                               | 35        | 25             |
| Russian Federation                           | RU   | 175     | 151                              | 110       | 67             |
| Ukraine                                      | UA   | 140     | 125                              | 95        | 70             |
| Central Asia                                 |      |         |                                  |           |                |
| Kazakhstan                                   | KZ   | 150     | 132                              | 108       | 78             |
| Kyrgyzstan                                   | KG   | 56      | 45                               | 36        | 28             |
| Tajikistan                                   | TJ   | 50      | 40                               | 30        | 25             |
| Turkmenistan                                 | TM   | 25      | 20                               | 20        | 15             |
| Uzbekistan                                   | UZ   | 55      | 45                               | 35        | 30             |

<sup>\*</sup> under UNSCR 1244/99

The four categories of staff in the tables in Annex 3 are defined as follows:

# Manager

This staff category includes legislators, senior officials and managers (Staff Category 1 of the ISCO<sup>1</sup>-88 (COM)).

# Researcher, Teacher, Trainer

This staff category includes science, health, teaching and other professionals (Staff Category 2 of the ISCO-88 (COM)).

#### **Technical staff**

This staff category includes technicians and associate professionals (Staff Category 3 of the ISCO-88 (COM)).

<u>Administrative staff</u>
This staff category includes office and customer service clerks (Staff Category 4 of the ISCO-88 (COM)).

For detailed reference please find the Staff Categories 1-4 of the ISCO-88 (COM) on the following page.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> International Standard Classification of Occupations

<u>Staff categories</u> according to the International Standard Classification of Occupations (ISCO-88 (COM))

#### STAFF CATEGORY 1

#### 100 Legislators, senior officials and managers 110 Legislators and senior officials

- 111 Legislators and senior government officials
- 114 Senior officials of special-interest organisations

# 120 Corporate managers

- 121 Directors and chief executives
- 122 Production and operation managers
- 123 Other specialist managers

#### 130 Managers of small enterprises

131 Managers of small enterprises

#### **STAFF CATEGORY 2**

#### 200 Professionals

# 210 Physical, mathematical and engineering science professionals

- 211 Physicists, chemists and related professionals
- 212 Mathematicians, statisticians and related professionals
- 213 Computing professionals
- 214 Architects, engineers and related professionals

# 220 Life science and health professionals

- 221 Life science professionals
- 222 Health professionals (except nursing)
- 223 Nursing and midwifery professionals

#### 230 Teaching professionals

- 231 College, university and higher education teaching professionals
- 232 Secondary education teaching professionals
- 233 Primary and pre-primary education teaching professionals
- 234 Special education teaching professionals
- 235 Other teaching professionals

#### 240 Other professionals

- 241 Business professionals
- 242 Legal professionals
- 243 Archivists, librarians and related information professionals
- 244 Social science and related professionals
- 245 Writers and creative or performing artists
- 246 Religious professionals
- 247 Public service administrative professionals

#### STAFF CATEGORY 3

#### 300 Technicians and associate professionals 310 Physical and engineering science associate professionals

- 311 Physical and engineering science technicians
- 312 Computer associate professionals
- 313 Optical and electronic equipment operators
- 314 Ship and aircraft controllers and technicians
- 315 Safety and quality inspectors

# 320 Life science and health associate professionals

- 321 Life science technicians and related associate professionals
- 322 Health associate professionals (except nursing)
- 323 Nursing and midwifery associate professionals

#### 330 Teaching associate professionals

- 331 Primary education teaching associate professionals
- 332 Pre-primary education teaching associate professionals
- 333 Special education teaching associate professionals
- 334 Other teaching associate professionals

#### 340 Other associate professionals

- 341 Finance and sales associate professionals
- 342 Business services agents and trade brokers
- 343 Administrative associate professionals
- 344 Customs, tax and related government associate professionals
- 345 Police inspectors and detectives
- 346 Social work associate professionals
- 347 Artistic, entertainment and sports associate professionals

#### **STAFF CATEGORY 4**

#### 400 Clerks

#### 410 Office clerks

- 411 Secretaries and keyboard-operating clerks
- 412 Numerical clerks
- 413 Material-recording and transport clerks
- 414 Library, mail and related clerks
- 419 Other office clerks

# 420 Customer services clerks

- 421 Cashiers, tellers and related clerks
- 422 Client information clerks