**ESIL CARERS’ GRANTS**

The ESIL Carers’ Grants scheme supports attendance of ESIL Members with parental or other caring responsibilities at ESIL events (ESIL Annual Conferences, ESIL Research Fora, ESIL Joint Events, etc.).

Caring responsibilities include, but is not limited to, childcare (for children up to the age of 16).

ESIL Carers’ grants are awarded to speakers or chairs at ESIL events and are intended as a contribution to sustain expenses of additional care, either at the event venue or in the applicant’s place of residency.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

* **Only current ESIL members who are chairs or speakers at one of the ESIL events listed below can apply for an ESIL Carer’s Grant:**
	+ Annual Conference
	+ Research Forum
	+ ESIL Joint Events
	+ ESIL Interest Groups’ Pre Annual Conference Workshops.

(*N.B.: chairs and speakers at ESIL Interest Groups’ Pre Annual Conference Workshops can receive a travel grant only if they also attend the Annual Conference*).

* **New ESIL members who submit an ESIL Carer’s Grant application must have joined ESIL for the first time before the deadline of the Call for Papers for the event (if applicable).**
* **You can only apply for an ESIL Carer’s grant if you are not receiving financial support for caring scopes from your institution or any other organisation to attend the event.**
* **You can only receive one ESIL Carers’ Grant per calendar year.**

**Point system, AWARDING AND payment of the grant**

If there are more applications than available funds, applications will be ranked using a point system, using the following criteria:

* Status on programme (speaker /chair).
* Geographical origin (priority given to applicants based in developing countries).
* Career stage (priority given to early-career applicants).
* Applicants who do not receive support for caring costs from other sources.
* Contribution to ESIL (priority given to applicants who have demonstrated special engagement with ESIL, such as engagement with Interest Groups or past ESIL membership).
* Past awards (priority given to applicants who have not previously been awarded a grant).

The exact value of the carer’s grant is 200 EUR.

If you are eligible for a grant, the amount will be transferred to you after the event. You will receive an invitation in your inbox from the EUI Reimbursement Platform to upload all your travel documents and the requested information (complete bank details) within one month after the event.

**HOW TO APPLY**

Send the complete application form via email to esil.secretariat@eui.eu by indicating in the subject “**ESIL Carer’s Grant Application/SURNAME**” before the application deadline.

Please send the application form, a brief CV, and a brief document explaining your caring plans and costs as a single PDF.

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**I HEREBY DECLARE THAT I WILL NOT RECEIVE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM MY INSTITUTION OR ANY OTHER ORGANISATION TO COVER CARING COSTS TO ATTEND THIS ESIL EVENT**

**Applicant's signature (e-signatures accepted) Date XX/XX/XXXX**

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| **ESIL Carer’s Grant Application Form** |
| **Name and Surname** |  |
| **E-mail** |  |
| **Gender** |  |
| **Nationality** |  |
| **Institutional Affiliation** |  |
| **Position /role** |  |
| **Postal address**  |  |
| **What are your caring responsibilities?** |  |
| **Do you receive support for caring costs from other sources to attend the ESIL Event?** |  |
| **Are you currently an ESIL member?** | *If YES, please indicate the date when you joined ESIL and your type of membership.* |
| **Have you previously received an ESIL Carer’s Grant?** | *Please give details, if applicable.* |
| **Have you previously participated in other ESIL Events?** | *Please give details, if applicable.* |

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| **Give full details of the ESIL event you are participating in** |
| **ESIL Event Name, Venue, and Date(s):** |  |
| **Your status on the programme of the event** (e.g. indicate clearly if you are a speaker or chair in the Annual Conference or an Interest Group pre-Annual Conference workshop and provide as many details as possible). |  |