

TOSVE-GRANTS

FOR SUPPORTING CONTINUOUS DEVELOPMENT OF TOXICOLOGICAL EXPERTISE

✓ What?

The Finnish Network for Toxicological Expertise provides small-scale grants (€500–€2,000) to support the development of expertise in toxicology.

✓ When?

Applications are accepted continuously throughout the duration of the TOSVE (2026–2029). Grants are awarded three times a year, with application periods closing on the last day of **January, May, and September**.

The first application period ends on **Wednesday, September 30, 2026**.

Funding can only be applied for future expenses within the following year, not retrospectively.

Calls are announced via the TOSVE mailing list and communication channels close to deadline.

✓ For Whom?

The grant can be applied for expenses related to developing **personal professional expertise**. It is not available to bachelor's or master's level students. It is available to professionals at all career stages, including senior-level applicants. The grant may be used, for example, for participation fees for scientific conferences or training events, travel-related costs (including accommodation and per diem), against receipts, and professional visits to other organizations. **Note:** The grant cannot be used to pay salary.

✓ Under What Conditions?

The grant may be used for costs not covered by an employer or other funding source.

Eligible expenses must be directly related to developing toxicological expertise, such as scientific meetings, training courses, or professional visits to learn new methods or areas of expertise. A key criterion for funding is **knowledge sharing**. Recipients are required to present or share the outcomes of the funded activity with members of the TOSVE.

Examples of acceptable reporting formats include:

- A learning diary, guideline, video tutorial, or review published on TOSVE's internal communication channels
- A series of public social media posts describing insights gained (with necessary permissions)
- OR another reporting format proposed by the applicant

✓ How to Apply?

Submit an application (1–2 A4 pages) in **Finnish or English** as a Word or PDF file by email to: **tosve@thl.fi**

The application must include at least:

- A brief description of the planned activity
- A cost estimate and overall funding plan (including other funding sources, if any)
- A proposal for reporting
- Justification of how the grant supports both personal and broader development of toxicological expertise within the network

Applications must be received no later than the application deadline.

Late applications may be considered in the next round if the event takes place more than 4 months after the deadline.

Please note that application rounds close three times per year: September, January, and May.

The grant is reimbursed based on actual realized costs upon submission of a travel expense report.

A travel expense report and usage report must be submitted within two months after the event ends.

✓ Who Makes the Decision?

Grant recipients (1–3 per round) are selected by the Committee nominated by the Finnish Network for Toxicological Expertise.

The results, including recipient names and funded activities, are communicated individually by email and published publicly via TOSVE communication channels. These are announced within two weeks after the application deadline.