Data Transparency Lab Grants Program 2016
FAQs

What is the DTL Grants Program?

In order to support research in tools, data, and methodologies for shedding light into the use of personal data by online services, DTL will award up to 10 research grants of 50,000 Euro per grant to academic institutions worldwide.

What types of proposals are funded?

Our program funds work in computer science, engineering, HCI, and related fields, in areas relevant to the Data Transparency Lab's mission. More information can be found under the Grant Research Topics section on our website and on our handbook.

Who is eligible to apply for a DTL Grant?

The grants are aimed towards fully or partly supporting the work of a Principal Investigator (PI) and at least one PhD student or postdoc for approximately 1 year.

Is it possible to have co-Principal Investigators?

Yes.

Is the program exclusive to universities?

No, the program is also open to non-profit research organizations.

What is the proper format for a proposal PDF?

-- A main description of up to 3 pages (9pt font) explaining succinctly the main idea, its relevance to DTL, the deliverables that will be produced (tool, dataset, platform, etc.), and the main innovation with respect to current state of other activity in the area.

-- CV of Principal Investigator and main student (2 pages each).

Both documents should be submitted as a single PDF file along with the information of the applicants at the Telefónica HotCRP submission site of DTL at: https://dtlresearch.tid.es/dtl2016

Do you provide templates for proposals?

We are not providing templates for proposals at the moment.

How are grant recipients selected?

The proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

-- Relevance of the research to the Data Transparency Lab research areas (as set forth at: http://datatransparencylab.org/#grants)

-- Potential to produce software tools and platforms that enable end-users to better understand or control how their personal information is being collected and used in deployed online services.

-- Groundbreaking potential and innovative approach of the proposed research work.

-- Potential societal or business impact of the research trajectory on the overall area of personal data transparency

-- Potential for the research to inform other work / lead to opportunities for further research and insights.

Please also be aware that proposals will be selected following an adequate and proportional coverage for each of the main topic areas of interest for the Data Transparency Lab.

Are DTL Grants eligible for extensions?

No

Are researchers allowed to submit more than one proposal?

Yes

When and how are decisions announced?

Upon approval of the grant awards by the Steering Committee as proposed by the Research Committee, the grantees will receive a formal notification from Committee Chairs in early June 2016.

The decision will be communicated to the Principal Investigator listed on each proposal and also will be announced on the DTL website www.datatransparencylab.org.

What happens after grant recipients are announced?

Once successful applicants have been sent an award notice, a set of individual processes will begin with each granted institution in order to complete the legal and administrative requirements needed to transfer funds.

Throughout the process, DTL will be providing email support *via* grants@datatransparencylab.org

I have a question I need additional help with, who can I contact?

Please direct all inquiries to grants@datatransparencylab.org.