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Dear Luciana, dear Julian,

Why would somebody from Switzerland ask for a subsidy to participate at a summer school? The answer in my case is simple but manifold at the same time: the topic of the summer is very technical and is not immediately related to my PhD topic in Glaciology. Even though the goal is to design an operational data assimilation framework, the focus for ETH is of course more on the science side, not on the production side. This is why I won't be able to gather funding from ETH for neither my travel expenses nor my stay in Reading. I will even take the course during my regular holidays, for which reason I would be very happy to obtain at least the course participation fee and accommodation costs from the fund.

This is why I apply for the **travel subsidy**, or, if not possible at all, the **attendance subsidy**. Traveling to Reading is not an issue at all in terms of money: from my own experience, I can tell that flying into Heathrow can be around or **100 GBP** both ways, flying to Gatwick is even possible at the minimum cost of about **45 GBP** both ways.

Best regards,

Johannes