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STKO Research Grant License

AsdeaSoft is proud to announce that there are now **1,000 STKO users worldwide!** We launched STKO at the [OpenSees Days Eurasia](#) in Hong Kong in June of 2019. In just over one year, we reached the milestone of 1,000 **STKdOers** thanks to the students, professors, researchers, and clients who have shown interest in STKO. To celebrate the occasion, we are announcing a new initiative, the **STKO Research Grant License**, which we hope will continue to foster and support advances in the field of seismic engineering.

Asdea Software is a small, privately-owned start-up company. We often have students ask if we plan to offer our academic licenses free of charge in the future, but, as a small start-up, it just is not feasible for us to offer a completely free version of STKO. While the price for our Academic/Research license for STKO is already discounted as much as possible, we understand that the price may still be inaccessible for some students. We are aware that not all students around the world have access to the same facilities and funding. Some universities may have ample funds to provide students with the tools they need to complete their research goals, while others may struggle to provide computers and basic equipment. For this reason, we want to take steps to support promising students from countries where funding may be less accessible. That is why we are glad to announce our new yearly STKO Research Grant Licenses.

Each fall, students will be able to submit to us research proposals. **The best 5 student proposals** will receive **a one-year Academic/Research License**. Besides describing the research to be done, the proposals would also need to briefly explain **how STKO would be used to accomplish their research goals**. All we ask for in return is that winners submit to us a copy of their completed study/thesis and files created in STKO. For **exceptional research proposals** with long-term research objectives, we may even award a three-year Academic/Research License.

Proposal Deadline

The **submission deadline** for the research proposals is **September 30th**, and winners will be announced on the 8th of October.

Proposal Instructions

Proposals should be **submitted as pdf or word files** to info@asdeasoft.net. They should be written in **English** and be in the following format:

1 Title Page.

This should include the proposal title and student/researcher's information.

2 Specific objectives.

This should provide a concise point-by-point summary of the objectives of the research proposed. Maximum length: 100 words

3 Project description.

Explain the background information necessary to understand the proposed project and its significance in relation to long-term research objectives. Discuss the methodology and procedures that will be used to accomplish the specific aims of the project. Briefly discuss how STKO will be used and why it will be important for the research. Maximum length: 500 words

4 References.

Requirements

Proposals must be submitted by **current students** who can provide **proof of academic status**. We are aware that not all universities offer the same kinds of proof, so we are flexible about what we will accept. It could be a current university-issued ID, your name listed in a student directory on an updated institutional website, your class list, enrollment form, etc.

Anyone wishing to submit a proposal **must be willing to submit a copy of their completed research to us**, along with files created in STKO. The licenses are available strictly for academic research projects. The projects must **NOT** be linked to commercial research and development.

Proposals will be accepted from students studying in the following list of countries:

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| Afghanistan | Benin | Central African Republic |
| Albania | Bhutan | Chad |
| Algeria | Bolivia | Chile |
| American Samoa | Bosnia and Herzegovina | China |
| Angola | Botswana | Colombia |
| Antigua and Barbuda | Brazil | Comoros |
| Argentina | Bulgaria | Congo, Dem. Rep |
| Armenia | Burkina Faso | Congo, Rep. |
| Azerbaijan | Burundi | Costa Rica |
| Bangladesh | Cambodia | Côte d'Ivoire |
| Belarus | Cameroon | Cuba |
| Belize | Cape Verde | Djibouti |

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| Dominica | Latvia | Papua New Guinea |
| Dominican Republic | Lebanon | Paraguay |
| Ecuador | Lesotho | Peru |
| Egypt, Arab Rep. | Liberia | Philippines |
| El Salvador | Libya | Puerto Rico |
| Eritrea | Lithuania | Romania |
| Ethiopia | Macedonia, FYR | Russian Federation |
| Fiji | Madagascar | Rwanda |
| Gabon | Malawi | Samoa |
| Gambia | Malaysia | São Tomé and Príncipe |
| Georgia | Maldives | Senegal |
| Ghana | Mali | Serbia |
| Grenada | Marshall Islands | Seychelles |
| Guatemala | Mauritania | Sierra Leone |
| Guinea | Mauritius | Solomon Islands |
| Guinea-Bissau | Mayotte | Somalia |
| Guyana | Mexico | South Africa |
| Haiti | Micronesia, Fed. Sts. | Sri Lanka |
| Honduras | Moldova | St. Kitts and Nevis |
| India | Mongolia | St. Lucia |
| Indonesia | Montenegro | St. Vincent and the Grenadines |
| Iran, Islamic Rep. | Morocco | Sudan |
| Iraq | Mozambique | Suriname |
| Jamaica | Myanmar | Swaziland |
| Jordan | Namibia | Syrian Arab Republic |
| Kazakhstan | Nepal | Tajikistan |
| Kenya | Nicaragua | Tanzania |
| Kiribati | Niger | Thailand |
| Korea, Dem Rep. | Nigeria | Timor-Leste |
| Kosovo | Pakistan | Togo |
| Kyrgyz Republic | Palau | Tonga |
| Lao PDR | Panama | |

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| Tunisia | Ukraine | Vietnam |
| Turkey | Uruguay | West Bank and Gaza |
| Turkmenistan | Uzbekistan | Yemen, Rep. |
| Tuvalu | Vanuatu | Zambia |
| Uganda | Venezuela | Zimbabwe |

STKO Research Grant FAQ:

Q: What does the STKO Research Grant consist of?

A: We will provide a one-year Academic/Research license of STKO to five students who have submitted the best research proposals.

Q: Who is eligible?

A: All current students who can provide proof of academic status. Please consult the list of accepted countries under the requirements section.

Q: Is there a specific format for the research proposal?

A: Yes, please see the section entitled Proposal Submission for a detailed description of the format.

Q: Are there any other requirements?

A: Yes, if you win the grant, you would have to send us a copy of your study and any files you produce with STKO.