

European Science Foundation
1, quai Lezay Marnésia
BP 90015
F-67080 Strasbourg Cedex
(France)

A Coruña, October 2nd, 2014

To whom it may concern:

My name is **Jesús Vilares**, from the University of A Coruña (Spain). I had been granted with a **ESF Short Visit Grant (ref. 6895)** within the framework of the ESF-funded ELIAS Network, whose proposal title was "*Attendance to the CLEF 2014 Conference and Labs of the Evaluation Forum*".

Such a visit took place from 15 to 18 September and, as required in your guidelines, I attach to the present letter **the documents you ask for** (in order):

1. Scientific report (in the required format)
2. CLEF 2014 attendance certificate (justifying I made the stay)
3. CLEF 2014 registration bill (I had to pay with my wife's credit card)
4. Booking/payment confirmation (detailing the items covered by the registration: the conference properly speaking and my accommodation, a student venue).
5. Flight tickets bill.
6. Boarding cards.
7. Train ticket: Manchester airport - Sheffield.
8. Train ticket: Sheffield - Manchester airport.
9. Taxi receipt: Sheffield train station - venue (I arrived quite late to Sheffield).
10. Bus ticket: venue - Sheffield train station

Finally, I would like to make notice that because of other appointments related with my job, the visit lasted 4 days (from 15 to 18 September) instead of the 5 days (from 14 to 18 September) originally planned.

Yours faithfully,



Jesús Vilares



Research Networking Programmes

Short Visit Grant or Exchange Visit Grant

(please tick the relevant box)

Scientific Report

The scientific report (WORD or PDF file – maximum of eight A4 pages) should be submitted online within one month of the event. It will be published on the ESF website.

Proposal Title: Attendance to the CLEF 2014 Conference and Labs of the Evaluation Forum

Application Reference N°: 6895

1) Purpose of the visit

The purpose of this visit to the University of Sheffield (UK), the host institution, was to attend to the CLEF 2014 Conference and Labs of the Evaluation Forum, which was held in that institution on 15-18 September. This conference was organized by the CLEF Initiative (Conference and Labs of the Evaluation Forum), a well-known European research institution, closely related to the ESF-founded ELIAS Network and whose aim is to promote research, innovation, and development of information access systems (with an emphasis on multilingual and multimodal information). This promotion is made by providing an infrastructure for multilingual and multimodal system testing, tuning and evaluation; the creation of reusable test collections for benchmarking; the exploration of new evaluation methodologies and innovative ways of using experimental data; and the discussion of results, comparison of approaches, exchange of ideas, and transfer of knowledge. Regarding to our attendance to CLEF 2014, it was due to:

1. Our participation in one of the evaluation labs held by the conference, the RepLab benchmarking activity on reputation management technologies (RepLab 2014). This workshop, organized by UNED, University of Amsterdam, Yahoo! Research Barcelona and Llorente & Cuenca, consists on a competitive evaluation exercise focused on the problem of monitoring the reputation of entities in Twitter.

2. Our desire to keep direct contact with the most relevant current trends in the Evaluation of Information Access Systems, looking for new fields where to apply our experience and new contacts to share with our experiences.

2) Description of the work carried out during the visit

During my attendance to the conference, my work consisted on the following. Firstly, to present and discuss our contribution to RepLab 2014 with the rest of participants in that challenge and any attendee to the event interested in our work. Our contribution, whose data are the following:

David Vilares, Miguel Hermo, Miguel A. Alonso, Carlos Gómez-Rodríguez and Jesús Vilares. 2014. “LyS at CLEF RepLab 2014: Creating the State of the Art in Author Influence Ranking and Reputation Classification on Twitter”. Working Notes for CLEF 2014 Conference, Sheffield, UK, September 15-18, 2014. In Linda Cappellato, Nicola Ferro, Martin Halvey, Wessel Kraaij (eds.), CEUR Workshop Proceedings (<http://ceur-ws.org/Vol-1180/>) 1180:1468-1478, 2014. ISSN 1613-0073.

describes the participation of our research group, the Language in the Information Society (LYS) Research Group of the University of A Coruña (Spain), in the two tasks proposed within the RepLab 2014 challenge:

a. Reputation dimensions classification: It consists of the categorization of messages with respect to standard reputation dimensions: Performance, Leadership, Innovation, etc.

b. Author profiling: It consists itself of two (sub)tasks, which were evaluated separately:

- Author Categorization: The characterization of Twitter profiles with respect to a certain activity domain, classifying authors as journalists, professionals, celebrities, etc.

- Author Ranking: Given a set of Twitter profiles, the aim of this task is to find out which authors have more reputational influence (i.e., who the influencers or opinion makers are) and which profiles are more or less influential or have no influence at all (i.e., to rank those profiles according to their probability of being an opinion maker with respect to their concrete domain).

Both tasks were developed over tweets in two languages: English and Spanish.

According to our expertise, we considered an approach based on the application of Natural Language Processing (NLP) techniques in order to take into account part-of-speech, syntactic and semantic information. Moreover, although we have worked with both languages, the case of Spanish tweets is really interesting for us, since our group is specialized in Spanish NLP. Each task was addressed independently, since they responded to different requirements. The results obtained in our experiments confirm the competitiveness of our NLP-based approaches. In fact, we should remark that our group achieved the 2nd place, tied in practice with the 1st place, at the author ranking task; and the 3rd place at the reputation dimensions classification task.

Apart from attending the RepLab event, I used my time for attending to part of the rest of the workshops, with special interest in those more closely related to NLP: the CLEF QA Track, focused on several tasks of Question Answering and the PAN 2014 Workshop, focused on plagiarism detection, authorship attribution and author profiling.

3) Description of the main results obtained

With regard to the results, in the case of RepLab, several of the participants showed much interest in our NLP-based approach, particularly about how we made use of syntactic information extracted from the input text by means of parsing, a novel approach. As it is usual in this kind of events, the participants discussed and exchanged ideas about what to do (or not) in order to make good use of the techniques presented in the workshop, what could be the next challenge about, etc. In the case of the rest of the workshops I attended, although they dealt with different tasks than ours, the information obtained about some of the approaches presented there could be useful for our present or future work about NLP-based tweet processing and other research fields our group is working on.

4) Future collaboration with host institution (if applicable)

Moreover, I maintained several informal meetings with other participants in order to discuss about our work and our group's and the possibility, or not, of future collaborations.

5) Projected publications / articles resulting or to result from the grant (*ESF must be acknowledged in publications resulting from the grantee's work in relation with the grant*)

6) Other comments (if any)

Finally, I would like to make notice that because of other appointments related with my job, the visit lasted 4 days (from 15 to 18 September) instead of the 5 days (from 14 to 18 September) originally planned.



The
University
Of
Sheffield.

Information
School.

Professor Paul Clough

The Information School
Regent Court
211 Portobello Street
Sheffield, UK
S1 4DP

Telephone: +44 (0) 114 222 2664

Fax: +44 (0) 114 278 0300

Email: p.d.clough@sheffield.ac.uk

Web: www.sheffield.ac.uk/is/staff/clough

To whom it may concern,

CLEF 2014 Annual Conference, 15-18 September 2014, University of Sheffield, UK

I hereby confirm that **Jesus Vilares** of **Universidade da Coruña** attended the CLEF 2014 Conference and Labs of the Evaluation Forum (clef2014.clef-initiative.eu), an academic event held in Sheffield (UK) from 15th September to 18th September 2014.

Paul Clough (General Chair for CLEF 2014)

The Information School
University of Sheffield



Online Store

Thank You

Your order is complete and you have now been logged out. Thank you Jesus for shopping at the University of Sheffield.

Order Number: SHEF147288

Date: 24 Jul 2014

Item	Quantity	Unit Price	Total Cost
Conferences & Events			
CLEF 2014: Conference and Labs of the Evaluation Forum	1	£483.00	£483.00
Booking Ref: INF/157828560			
15 th September 2014 - 18 th September 2014			
Jesus Vilares			
Delivery			£0.00
Total Before VAT			£483.00
VAT			£0.00
Total			£483.00

Payment Information

Credit/Debit Card

Name on Card: Monica Perez Rama

Card Type: Visa

Last 4 Digits of Card Number: 2930

Expiry Date: 06/2017

Billing Address

Facultad de Informatica; Campus de Elvina;

Universidade da Coruna

A Coruna

15071

Spain

VAT Registration Number: GB 648238808

Asunto: University of Sheffield Booking confirmation**De:** <onlinestore@sheffield.ac.uk>**Fecha:** 24/07/14 17:29**Para:** <jvilares@udc.es>

Online Store

PAYMENT CONFIRMATION/RECEIPT

University of Sheffield VAT Reg No:GB 648 2388 08

Dear Jesus Vilares,

Thank you for your booking, your order number is SHEF147288.

The details of your booking are:

Billing Address

Facultad de Informatica; Campus de Elvina; Universidade da Coruna, A Coruna, 15071, Spain

Items purchased:

Item	Quantity	Unit Price	VAT Rate	Total Cost
Dr Jesus Vilares - 2. Non-Student Registration, Early Bird Rate booked on CLEF 2014: Conference and Labs of the Evaluation Forum Product Code: INF/157828560	1	£375.00	0%	£375.00
Dr Jesus Vilares - Optional Extras - Bed & Breakfast, single ensuite @ The Edge Monday 15th Sept £36 Product Code: INF/157828560	1	£36.00	0%	£36.00
Dr Jesus Vilares - Optional Extras - Bed & Breakfast, single ensuite @ The Edge Tuesday 16th Sept £36 Product Code: INF/157828560	1	£36.00	0%	£36.00
Dr Jesus Vilares - Optional Extras - Bed & Breakfast, single ensuite @ The Edge Wednesday 17th Sept £36 Product Code: INF/157828560	1	£36.00	0%	£36.00

Total Before VAT	£483.00
Delivery Before VAT	£0.00
VAT	£0.00
Total	£483.00

For enquiries relating to your payment please [contact us by email](#) or telephone +44 (0)114 2224734

Please ensure you have read our [Terms and Conditions](#)

Thank You

Online Payments Team
The Department of Finance
Finance and Commercial
The University of Sheffield
Post to: Firth Court, Western Bank, Sheffield, S10 2TN
In Person: Level 6, Students' Union, Western Bank, Sheffield, S10 2TG

Tel: +44 (0) 114 2224734
Fax: +44 (0) 114 2221582
Email: onlinestore@sheffield.ac.uk
<http://www.shef.ac.uk/finance>

Income Office Working Hours 09:00 to 17:00 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday,
09:30 to 17:00 Wednesday

Open to Visitors 09:00 to 16:30 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 09:30 to
16:30 Wednesday

Voted number one for student experience
Times Higher Education Student Experience Survey 2014-2015



VIAJES RIAZOR, S.L.

FEDERICO TAPIA, 46
15005 LA CORUÑA
LA CORUÑA - España
E-Mail viajesriazor@e-savia.net

Cif B15019805
Tif. 981121115
Fax 981120472

XG10

FACTURA

Número **000D006604**
Fecha **07/08/2014**
Expediente **000020145**
Página **1**

43000000600 VILARES FERRO, JESUS
AVDA PORTAZGO, 8 BL5 P5 4D
15174 FONTE CULLER
CORUÑA, A - España

C.I.F. 36111593Y

Fecha	Concepto	Importe	% IVA	S. N. U.
15/09 al 18/09 de 2014	1 BTE AVION LA CORUÑA-LONDRES-MANCHESTER-LONDRES-LA CORUÑA 075-5431097126 VILARES FERRO/JESUS	495,81		0,00
	Cargos por Servicio Exentos	38,00	0,00	
	Importes y Tasas Exentas	457,81	0,00	



Factura emitida al amparo de lo previsto en la Disposición Adicional 4ª R.D. 1496/2003

Total Importes **495,81** **0,00**

DESGLOSE de I.V.A.		
Tipo IVA	Base Imponible	Cuota IVA
0	495,81	0,00

Resumen Final Factura

S. N. U. Factura **0,00** S. N. U. **0,00**
Entregado a Cuenta **495,81** *Pendiente Cobro* **0,00**

Totales 495,81 0,00

Importe Factura 495,81

Importe en Pta **82.496,00**

vueling

ETKT 075 5431097126
IB008017 15SEP14 ES LA CORUNA

VILARESFERRO/JESUS
VY 7100 X 15SEP 121
LCG LHR 10A

El embarque empieza Boarding begins
La puerta cierra Gate closes

30 MIN. 10 MIN.

Antes de la salida Prior to departure
Antes de la salida Prior to departure

Por favor confirma la puerta de embarque en las pantallas
Please check boarding gate on the monitors

TARJETA DE EMBARQUE
BOARDING PASS

Nombre/Name **IB36775328**
VILARESFERRO/JESUS

Desde/From
LA CORUNA

A/To
LONDON HEATHROW

VUELING AIRLINES
Vuelo / Flight Salida / Departure Fecha / Time
VY 7100 X 15SEP15:15

SOLD AS IB 5236
Puerta/Gate Embarque/Boarding Asiento/Seat
4 14:45 10A

Equipaje/Bags Seq./BN Etiqueta/Tag Number
121

vueling

IBERIA

BRITISH AIRWAYS
TARJETA DE EMBARQUE (Boarding Pass)



IB36775328
ETKT 075 5431097126

VILARESFERRO/JESUS
BA 1402 C 15SEP18:00
LONDON HEATHROW LHR
MANCHESTER MAN

75
15 SEP 2014

Hora de embarque 17:30 Boarding time	Puerta embarque 17A Boarding gate	Asiento 17A Seat NO
---	--	----------------------------------

Observaciones/Remarks
SOLD AS IB 7682

IB008017 15SEP14 ES LA CORUNA
POR FAVOR CONFIRME PUERTA EMBARQUE
(PLEASE CONFIRM BOARDING GATE)

Equipaje/Bags Seq./BN Etiqueta/Tag Number
135
LHR-TERMINAL 05

EMD EXC FIM

IBERIA

TARJETA DE EMBARQUE (Boarding Pass)

Nombre/Name
VILARESFERRO/JESUS

IB36775328
LONDON HEATHROW LHR
MANCHESTER MAN
BRITISH AIRWAYS

Vuelo / Flight Clase/Class Fecha/Date Salida/Time
BA 1402 C 15SEP18:00
SOLD AS IB 7682

Puerta/Gate Embarque/Boarding Asiento/Seat
17:30 17A NO

Equipaje/Bags Seq./BN Etiqueta/Tag Number
135
LHR-TERMINAL 05
ETKT 075 5431097126

BRITISH AIRWAYS



BRITISH AIRWAYS

VILARESFERRO/JESUS
BA 1393 18SEP LONDON LHR

SEAT
14F

GATE CLOSES
1340

GATE

IB/36775328
SOLD AS IB7511

NAME OF PASSENGER
VILARESFERRO/JESUS
IB/36775328
FROM MANCHESTER MAN
TO LONDON LHR

FLIGHT NO. CLASS/DATE TIME
BA 1393 C 18SEP 1350

GATE GATE CLOSES SEAT SMOKE
1340 14F

PCS. CK.WT.UNCK SEQ NO
0 0 0 063

BOARDING PASS

CARTE D'ACCES A BORD/BORDKARTE
TARJETA DE EMBARQUE/CARTA D'IMBARCO

SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS OF CARRIAGE, COPIES
AVAILABLE ON REQUEST. SEE IMPORTANT
NOTICES ON THE BACK OF THIS DOCUMENT.

CE ETKT

BRITISH AIRWAYS

NAME OF PASSENGER
VILARES FERRO/JESUS
IB/36775328
FROM LONDON LHR
TO LA CORUNA LCG

FLIGHT NO.	CLASS/DATE	TIME	
VY 7101	Y 18SEP	1705	
GATE	GATE CLOS	SEAT	SMOKE
		8C	Y

PCS. CK. WT. UNCK SEQ NO
074 074

CE ELECTRONIC



Outward



CUSTOMER REFERENCE
A05533490500

THIS IS YOUR TRAVEL TICKET

DEPARTURE DATE/TIME	FROM	TO	ARRIVAL DATE/TIME
15/09/14 19:50	MANCHESTER AIRPT	SHEFFIELD	15/09/14 21:12
CLASS	TICKET TYPE	ROUTING	PASSENGER STATUS
STANDARD	AIRPORT ADV	AP TPE ONLY	ADULT
VALIDITY			PRICE
AS			£8.00X
ADVERTISED			
RETAILER: 7202 DATE: 29/08/14 09:44 On: 7350-01 Txn: 35128 NRS: RK970172 Booking Ref: F664X77G			

ITINERARY

Outward Journey
15/09/14 19:50 MANCHESTER AIRPT → SHEFFIELD

RESERVATIONS

Arrival Time	Operator	Coach	Seat	Sleeper	Berth
21:12	FIRST TRANSPENNINE E	C	28	-	-

NATIONAL RAIL CONDITIONS OF CARRIAGE

Travel is subject to the National Rail Conditions of Carriage (NRCoC) and to the conditions of carriage of other operators on whose services this ticket is valid. Copies of the NRCoC can be obtained from any staffed national rail station or from website: www.nationalrail.co.uk

Outward Journey Used:

Return Journey Used:

SPECIFIC e-TICKET CONDITIONS

This is your travel document which must be retained and available for inspection during your journey.

This ticket must be clearly printed on plain, clean, white paper. Problems with printing will not be the responsibility of National Rail. This ticket is for the named passenger only and is not transferable or for resale. (For bookings of more than one passenger, the lead passenger details will be present and all passengers must travel together).

This ticket is only valid for journeys specified against the unique Customer Reference number and encoded in the bar code. Proof of ID as selected during the purchase process will need to be carried along with this ticket during your entire journey.

PASSENGER NAME:
Jesus Vilares

DOCUMENTATION ID REFERENCE (last 4 characters):
6197 CCD

Please ensure that you have both your printed tickets and specified documents for identification before starting your journey.

Please sit in your booked seats, details are shown above under RESERVATIONS.

Delayed Flights into Manchester Airport

If you have Airport Advance tickets, with an origin of Manchester Airport, you will be allowed to travel on the next FTPE service to your destination, if your flight is delayed and you have missed your train. This is available for up to 3hrs after the departure time of your original service, or if the next service to your destination is timed to depart more than 3hrs after the original departure time you may travel on this train.

If your flight is delayed and you miss your booked train you MUST have your tickets endorsed at Manchester Airport railway station ticket office before boarding the train.

You will not have a reserved seat on the new train you will then be travelling on.

Customers may NOT travel on an earlier departure than the time stated on their ticket and any customer doing so will be required to purchase a new ticket.



Any problems, please phone the TPE Web Support Team on **0844 556 5637**



Outward

NATIONAL RAIL

CUSTOMER REFERENCE
A05533490600

THIS IS YOUR TRAVEL TICKET

DEPARTURE DATE/TIME	FROM	TO	ARRIVAL DATE/TIME
18/09/14 10:11	SHEFFIELD	MANCHESTER AIRPT	18/09/14 11:33
CLASS	TICKET TYPE	ROUTING	PASSENGER
STANDARD	AIRPORT ADV	AP TPE ONLY	ADULT
STATUS	VALIDITY	PRICE	ADVERTISED
		£9.00X	
RETAILER:7202 DATE:29/08/14 09:44 On:7350-01 Txn:35130 NRS:RK969997 Booking Ref:F664X77G			

ITINERARY

Outward Journey	Arrival Time	Operator	Coach	Seat	Sleeper	Berth
18/09/14 10:11 SHEFFIELD → MANCHESTER AIRPT	11:33	FIRST TRANSPENNINE E	C	27	-	-

RESERVATIONS

<p>NATIONAL RAIL CONDITIONS OF CARRIAGE</p> <p>Travel is subject to the National Rail Conditions of Carriage (NRCoC) and to the conditions of carriage of other operators on whose services this ticket is valid. Copies of the NRCoC can be obtained from any staffed national rail station or from website: www.nationalrail.co.uk</p>	Outward Journey Used:			
	Return Journey Used:			

SPECIFIC e-TICKET CONDITIONS

This is your travel document which must be retained and available for inspection during your journey.
 This ticket must be clearly printed on plain, clean, white paper. Problems with printing will not be the responsibility of National Rail.
 This ticket is for the named passenger only and is not transferable or for resale. (For bookings of more than one passenger, the lead passenger details will be present and all passengers must travel together).
 This ticket is only valid for journeys specified against the unique Customer Reference number and encoded in the bar code.
 Proof of ID as selected during the purchase process will need to be carried along with this ticket during your entire journey.

PASSENGER NAME:
Jesus Vilares

DOCUMENTATION ID REFERENCE (last 4 characters):
6197 CCD

Please ensure that you have both your printed tickets and specified documents for identification before starting your journey.

Please sit in your booked seats, details are shown above under RESERVATIONS.

Delayed Flights into Manchester Airport

If you have Airport Advance tickets, with an origin of Manchester Airport, you will be allowed to travel on the next FTPE service to your destination, if your flight is delayed and you have missed your train.
 This is available for up to 3hrs after the departure time of your original service, or if the next service to your destination is timed to depart more than 3hrs after the original departure time you may travel on this train.
If your flight is delayed and you miss your booked train you MUST have your tickets endorsed at Manchester Airport railway station ticket office before boarding the train.
 You will not have a reserved seat on the new train you will then be travelling on.
 Customers may NOT travel on an earlier departure than the time stated on their ticket and any customer doing so will be required to purchase a new ticket.



Any problems, please phone the TPE Web Support Team on 0844 556 5637

S1TAXIS TAXI RECEIPT

Date: 15/9/2014

Total Fare: £7.30

Sign: 

0114 2 555 111

www.S1taxis.com

Printed by Arboreal Print 020 7476 5065 www.arborealprint.co.uk



Bus information and customer services
Tel: 01709 566000
Service 120 Journey 0815 Ticket No. 1012

Adult Single £ 1.70

From: Ranmoor Church
To: Crystal Peaks

18/09/2014 08:39:06

Bus 37034 ETM 61276014 Driver 14925

Issued subject to published
terms and conditions

www.firstgroup.com