

## STATISTICAL CONSULTING SERVICE

Statistical Consulting Service created with the support of financial support from the Xunta de Galicia, through the call for Reference Competitive Groups. The group optimization models, decision, statistics and applications (GI-1914) made it a priority to consolidate and structure of research excellence, a reorganization of the group's activities into three units based on the characteristics of interdisciplinary research activities carried out by its members. Financial assistance received has invested currently in the contract of a technical coordinator for consulting service.

The Statistical Consulting Service has a **Director**, a position held by the main researcher of the research group (in this case, Wenceslao González Manteiga). Under his direction, two Statistical Consulting units are created, each of them directed by a Technical Director. One will be the Statistical Engineering Unit I, focused mainly on advising on issues of tourism, finance and environment, as well as in the field of life sciences and health, another Statistical Engineering Unit II, which will perform or advise on the field of animal statistics, design of experiments and transport or logistics problems. The technical directors of the units are Professor Manuel Febrero Bande for the first unit and Professor Luis Alberto Ramil Novo for the second.

## DIAGRAM WORKING

### Process to attend a request.

1. The applicant makes a request through a phone call to [+34-881813378](tel:+34881813378) or an e-mail to [mariajose.ginzo@usc.es](mailto:mariajose.ginzo@usc.es), in which he provides his contact details and a brief description of the request.
2. After web check the technical realized a short memory of the proposal. If necessary, contact the petitioner for further information. This proposal is sent to the Director of the service. TIME: 3 days.
3. The Director or Director / s technician / s appointed by him, assess the proposal. TIME: 3 days.
  - a. If it considers it inappropriate to meet the request, communicate to the technician who comes in contact with the applicant to inform you that your application will not be served.
  - b. In another case, the proposal is sent all members of the department.
4. Interested parties will present their proposal to the director or coaches. TIME: 1 week.
  - a. If only one researcher or a group interested in doing the work, technicians call a meeting with the applicant to discuss the proposal further.
  - b. The technician will prepare a report for the agreement. If there is more than a researcher or an interested group, the Scientific Commission of the service will

meet and try to make sure a single proposal.

## TYPES OF ADVICE

Through the Statistical Consulting Service can establish two types of advice: methodological advice and advice assisted analysis.

- For **methodological advice** means that the service answers the query raised by the investigator or applicant (advice on study design, statistical methodology to apply and interpret the results) but without performing the work involved. Why such advice is intended for those researchers who know the statistical method, language and software related to your problem and have some difficulty to be solved (method, language or software). If that advice does not include an earnings report the service is free of charge, otherwise rates will apply the following section.
- For **advice assisted analysis** means that the service does all the work involved in the query raised by the investigator or applicant with the preparation of the corresponding report.

## RATES

Rates were set for statistical advice services which were approved by the governing of the USC and vary depending on the required statistical advice and the source of the query Institution.

	USC	Other University or institution	Private company
Methodological advice	30 €/hour	40 €/ hour	80 €/ hour
Advice assisted analysis	50 €/hour	60 €/ hour	120 €/ hour
Advice assisted analysis International	40 €/ hour	50 €/ hour	90 €/ hour

\* Prices do not include indirect costs (16% for the University) and VAT (21%)

\* For advice in person, be paid the appropriate allowances and travel expenses (not included in above prices).

Developing a budget will have no cost. On the other hand, in cases of projects and large-scale conventions, where they are needed to specify details of the analysis, budgeting involves payment of a minimum of 5 hours.