

COST Action 15211 Call Number [4] for Short Term Scientific Missions (STSM) Applications

Call for STSM Applications for Missions Occurring between 01.04.2018-30.04.2018

All STSM activities must occur in their entirety within the dates specified above

Dear Researchers,

COST Action CA15211 "Electronet" invites researchers from participating COST Countries to submit applications for the 4th Call for Short-Term Scientific Missions (STSM).

Applications are for missions planned for the 01.04.2018-30.04.2018.

Purpose of a STSM

STSM are aimed at strengthening existing networks and fostering collaborations by allowing Researchers participating in a given COST Action to visit an institution / Organization in another Participating COST Country / an approved NNC institution or an approved IPC institution. A STSM should specifically contribute to the scientific objectives of the COST Action, whilst at the same time allowing those partaking in the missions to learn new techniques, gain access to specific data, instruments and / or methods not available in their own institutions / organizations. Please see the full call for STSM applications in the document attached to this Email.

Deadline for applications to be submitted: no later than **[22/ March / 2018]**

Notification of application outcome: before **[25 / March / 2018]**

Period of STSM must be between **[1 / April / 2018]** and **[30 / April / 2018]**

All applicants must complete, submit and download their STSM applications online at: www.cost.eu/STSM. They should also send the application of Annex 1 to the STSM Coordinator (Prof. Yoav Yair yoavyair@gmail.com and yoav.yair@idc.ac.il). This application should be at minimum, 2 and at maximum 4 pages long. They should be clear about the following components: (a) Overall context and objectives (theoretical background, citing relevant literature) (b) Novelty and originality of the proposed idea / work (c) Reason for choosing the host institute (d) Detailed work plan and (e) Potential outcomes and relevance to Electronet.

All STSM activities must occur in their entirety within the period specified above. If an applicant has already received an STSM grant from this project in the past,



he/she should provide extended justification for the Action benefit from the additional grant, and its approval will depend on MC approval and Cost Officer agreement.

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For COST STSM funding rules - see Section 7 of the COST Vademecum See: <http://www.cost.eu/participate/guidelines>)

How to apply for an STSM:

Interested researchers can apply by following the directions provided below and submitting their **application** and supporting documents to **Prof. Yoav Yair**, yoavyair@gmail.com and yoav.yair@idc.ac.il by the deadline of the **22/ March / 2018**.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS IS AS FOLLOWS:

1. All applicants must carefully read the funding rules detailed in Section 7 of the *COST Vademecum*. This document is available at: <http://www.cost.eu/participate/guidelines>.
2. All applicants must register for an e-COST profile at <https://e-services.cost.eu/> - adding their bank account details to their profile.
3. All applicants must obtain a letter of invitation from the Host institution confirming that they can undertake the STSM on the given dates prior to submitting an application.
4. All applicants must complete, submit and download their STSM applications online at: www.cost.eu/STSM.
5. All applicants must send their **submitted** STSM application form and the relevant supporting documents to Prof. Yoav Yair, yoavyair@gmail.com and yoav.yair@idc.ac.il for evaluation before the application submission deadline expires.

The list of supporting documents to be submitted for the evaluation are:

- Letter of invitation to the applicant from a senior researcher affiliated to the Host institution
- The submitted STSM application form (downloadable when the online application is submitted – see point 4 above)
- A motivation letter including an overview of the proposed activities that will be performed which must contain a plan of work for the visit highlighting the proposed contribution to the scientific objectives of the respective COST Action;



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- A letter of support from the Home Institution;
 - A Full C.V. (including a list of academic publications – if applicable).
6. The application will then be assessed by the formally delegated persons / **STSM Committee Members** against the perceived contribution that the proposed visit will make against the scientific objectives outlined in the Action's Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).
7. The applicant will be formally notified of the outcome of their STSM application by **Prof. Yoav Yair** on the **outcome by 25/03/2018**.
8. Within 30 days from the end date of the STSM, the successful applicant must submit a scientific report to the Host institution and to the **STSM Coordinator, Prof. Yoav Yair**. The applicant is also responsible for acquiring an official acceptance letter / Email confirmation of acceptance from a senior Researcher affiliated to the Host institution formally accepting the scientific report. This formal acceptance of the scientific report has to be sent to the Grant Holder and the STSM Coordinator, Prof. Yoav Yair for archiving purposes.

Failure to submit the scientific report within 30 days from the end date of the STSM will effectively cancel the Grant.

(Please note that the COST Association can request additional information to substantiate the information contained within the documents submitted by STSM applicants).

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ANNEX 1

COST Action – CA15211 "ElectroNet"

Application form for Short-Term Scientific Missions (STSM)

1. APPLICANT
Last name:
First name:
Present Position:

2. HOST
Last name:
First name:
Full Address:

3. STSM PERIOD: [Start Date] – [Finish Date]

4. DETAILED WORKING PLAN (1 to 3 pages):
 - 4.1 Overall context and objectives of this proposal
 - 4.2 Reason for choosing the host institute
 - 4.3 Detailed work plan
 - 4.4 Potential outcomes and relevance to COST

5. PUBLICATIONS : list up to 3 of your publications that are relevant to this STSM (if there are any)

6. DETAILED BREAKDOWN OF THE GRANT REQUEST: indicating amounts in EUR and national currency, as requested from COST office (travel costs, subsistence allowance, and indication of contribution from other sources). Total cost: []

7. SHORT CV OF THE APPLICANT (including present address) : please insert it here or send it in together with this application sent with e-mail

8. ACCEPTANCE LETTER BY THE HOST INSTITUTION : please insert it here or send it in together with this application sent with e-mail

