8th Call for Short Term Scientific Missions Applications

1. Important Dates

1. Deadline for submission of applications: **27 October 2022**

2. Outcome notification date: **as soon as possible after the deadline and the approval by the Management Committee of the Action**

3. Period within which STSM must occur: **1 November 2022 – 16 March 2023**

2. Overview

Short Term Scientific Missions (STSMs) are institutional visits by researchers or scholars aimed at fostering cooperation and collaboration. These visits should specifically contribute to the scientific objectives of this COST Action "Constitution-making and deliberative democracy," (CA15137; henceforth 'Action'), which are outlined in detail in the Memorandum of Understanding. You may find the eligibility provisions, along with further specifics, conditions and information, in Annex 2 of the COST Annotated Rules for COST Actions. Please read this carefully before submitting an application.

3. Financial Support & Duration

The financial support in the form of an STSM Grant covers travelling, accommodation and subsistence expenses, implementation of the project, delivery of the report to the COST Action MC and overall effort. A maximum of EUR 4.000, which might be reduced depending on the number of applications received, can be allocated to each successful applicant for the entire STSM duration. Please note that the awarded grant will be paid only after the STSM has been completed in accordance with STSM conditions.

For this call, the Management Committee of the Action has allocated a **total budget of EUR 12.000,00**. The total STSM Grant amount of each individual STSM will be determined during the evaluation process.

4. Application procedure

In order to submit an application, please follow the steps below:

1. Register for an e-COST profile at https://e-services.cost.eu/, adding your bank account details to your profile (if a returning applicant or already in possession of a COST profile, move to step 2).

2. Complete the application form ("Grant Applications")at https://e-services.cost.eu/stsm, uploading the following documentation:

   a. Letter of invitation from the Host Institution, under the supervision of a senior researcher affiliated to that institution;

   b. The Short-Term Scientific Mission Grant Application Form (a template can be downloaded at the second step of the STSM application online platform)

   c. Full CV (max. 3 pages), including a list of academic publications if applicable (font: 12 pt. Times New Roman, page borders: 1.2 inches).

3. Submit and download your application.

You will be notified of the outcome by the Action's STSM Coordinator on the outcome notification date of the call.