



Mathematical
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COST ACTION CA18232

OPEN GRANT CALL

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 14 MAY 2023

The COST Action CA18232 “Mathematical models for interacting dynamics on networks” invites applications for STSM and conference grants (see the list below), for activities to be undertaken between **1 June 2023** (in exceptional cases in very late May 2023) and **31 October 2023**. Applications should be submitted via the e-COST platform by **14 May 2023**, a decision is expected to be reached by late May.

Applicants who missed out in the call in January 2023 are welcome to reapply, but should keep in mind the reasons given for the decision. A global success rate slightly above 50% is anticipated based on the available budget and patterns in recent calls. There **may** be another call in September/October 2023, at very short notice, for activities to be undertaken by 31 October 2023.

Types of grants available.

- **Short-Term Scientific Mission (STSM) Grants:** typically offer up to € 2 000 towards research visits ranging from a few days to a few months between members of the Action, including doctoral students, to carry out research activities within the scope of the Action. Requests for higher amounts up to the limit allowed by COST will be considered but should be carefully justified.
- **Dissemination Conference Grants:** typically offer up to € 750 to help fund participation of Action members in high-level face-to-face conferences, to present work related to the Action to an outside audience. Requests for higher amounts will be considered but should be carefully justified. For online conferences up to € 500 can be paid to cover conference fees.
- **ITC Conference Grants:** work in the same way and with the same funding limits as Dissemination Conference Grants, but are only open to Young Researchers based in Inclusiveness Target Countries and Near Neighbour Countries.

For details on the specific rules for each grant type consult the COST website or contact the Action’s Grant Awarding Coordinator (see the links below). All applications will be evaluated on their scientific merit, the relevance of the proposal to the Action, and in accordance with the inclusiveness criteria outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding of the Action. *Ceteris paribus*, preference will be given to younger researchers.

Important notes.

- In addition to the usual documentation required by COST, as part of your application you must **also** provide an itemised **estimate of your expenses** (e.g. expected real travel and accommodation costs). This information should be included as a text or pdf file uploaded to e-COST with your application; alternatively, you may attach it to your CV or include it in the grant application form, if space permits. **Grant requests will not be considered unless this estimate has been received.**

- All grants will be managed via the e-COST system. To apply, you must have an account, go to

<https://e-services.cost.eu/user/login>

Your age and affiliation status will be determined automatically via the information provided in your profile.

- If you have not already done so, you should **apply for membership of one or more Action Working Groups** at

<https://e-services.cost.eu/action/CA18232/working-groups/apply>

- In the event of a successful application, a **lower amount may be awarded than was requested**.
- You may apply for more than one grant of the same type; however, in general the total amount awarded in 2023 will not exceed the maximum amount which can be awarded for a single grant. For example, you may apply for a second STSM in a later call, but in the event of success the total amount awarded for the two missions will not exceed € 4 000.
- Many grants can only be paid after the event has taken place, and generally also require the submission of a report after the event, or other information, before payment can be made. Check before applying!
- For STSMs, after the activity has been concluded, along with the scientific report **you must submit a brief dissemination report**, a description of your STSM work and its impact/relevance/applications in non-technical terms, intended for a broader scientific public, suitable for publication on the Action's website. This report may be included in the same document as the scientific report. In general the STSM Grant will only be paid out after **both** reports have been submitted via e-COST and approved. More information and support can be provided by the Action's Communication Manager, Dr. Harun Šiljak <harun.siljak@tcd.ie>

For more information...

- For more information on the Action, its scope and aims, as well as up-to-date information on the grants calls, consult the Action website:

<https://www.mat-dyn-net.eu/>

- A brief description of the grants available within the scope of the Action, including links to the relevant supporting documentation, can be found on the COST website:

<https://www.cost.eu/cost-actions-event/action-networking-tools/>

- A User's Guide to the process of applying for grants is at

http://www.cost.eu/grants_userguide

Be aware that some of the extra supporting documentation required by the Action as outlined above is not described in the User's Guide.

- The rules governing COST Actions (including funding rules and obligations of grantees) can be found at

https://www.cost.eu/Annotated_Rules_for_COST_Actions_C

- For a current list of all countries in the COST network, including Inclusiveness Target Countries and Near Neighbour Countries, consult

https://www.cost.eu/Country_Organisations_Table

Any enquires can be directed to the Grant Awarding Coordinator for the Action,

Dr. James Kennedy <jbkennedy@fc.ul.pt>