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Call for Research Stream Proposals

12th ESA Conference, Prague, Czech Republic, 2015

The next conference of the European Sociological Association will be held in Prague, Czech Republic, from 25th to 28th August 2015. The conference theme is "Differences, inequalities and sociological imagination". The conference programme will include plenaries, semi-plenaries, special sessions and Research Network (RN) and Research Stream (RS) sessions.

Semi-plenaries and RN sessions will be proposed and organized by ESA Research Networks. While Research Networks anchor in specific fields of sociology, **Research Streams offer the chance to focus more specifically on our conference theme as well as on new themes across the boundaries of the sociological subdisciplines.** Some RS will continue their work from previous conferences; others will introduce new ideas to the conference programme.

We invite ESA members to submit proposals to organize "Research Stream" sessions. If you would like to propose a session, please download our MS Word "Call for Research Stream Proposals" form at <http://www.europeansociology.org/docs/conferences/prague/esa2015RSform.doc>.

Proposals should include a "Description of the Research Stream" and a "General call for papers".

Please submit your proposal (MS Word document) to the ESA secretary, gisele.falcucci@europeansociology.org. The submission deadline is **5th October 2014**.

CALL FOR PAPERS

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Transnationalism, Gender and Migration. The Intersectional challenges of Social Mobility

13-14 November 2014

Campus Universitario de la Universidad de La Laguna, Villa de Adeje, Canary Islands, Spain

Call for Papers Deadline: 01/09/2014

Organised by: Maria José Guerra (ULL) and Laura Oso (UDC)

Contact: tenerifeconference@gmail.com

IUEM- Instituto Universitario de Estudios de las mujeres- Universidad de La Laguna.

ESOMI- Sociology of International Migrations Research Team - Universidade da Coruña

The key objective of this Conference is to articulate the debate surrounding issues of gender and migration from a Citizenship, Inter-generational and Social Mobility approach. Over the past two decades there has been a growing interest in the study of mobilities from a gender perspective. Literature has focused mainly on shedding light on the active participation of women in population movements, with particular attention on the transnational approach. Research has centred principally on the analysis of the reproductive role of migrant women as domestic servants, sex workers and care givers within the process of globalization. Literature also expanded around the issue of the transnational family. Nevertheless, less attention has been paid to the study of gendered mobilities from a Citizenship and Human Rights approach, as well as to the intergenerational and social mobility perspectives. The economic recession, which dates back to 2008, has had a tremendous impact on migrants and has led to a gendered restructuring of the strategies devised by households in an attempt to overcome the current climate of financial adversity. Within this context, transnational families are dealing with intergenerational social mobility strategies in order to face the economic recession (including complex forms of mobility, return, etc.). Lastly, gender and migration debates have focused essentially on non-qualified female workers, so scant attention has been paid to women professionals on the move.

The Conference will cover three main areas of discussion:

1-Transnational Citizenship, Gender and Human Rights:

The migratory phenomenon fosters transnationality. In this context, it is necessary to question the restrictive nature of a model of citizenship linked exclusively to guaranteeing the rights of individuals belonging to a nation state. The ongoing debate over the deterritorialization of citizenship cannot be isolated from the changes brought about by globalization and mobilities in different levels: from what we call translocality to transnationality. However, the gender and intersectional approaches in Migration Studies are still marginal in their theoretical and empirical dimensions. Rendering gender-branded structural injustice visible from a transnational approach is crucial in order to put forward new models of citizenship that advocate social and economic rights, in keeping with the normative framework of human rights. In this sense, we urgently need to firstly rebuild the framework of contributions to the possibility of a non-androcentric transnational citizenship and secondly, to propose normative orientations for mobility policies related to the political, social, economic, sexual and reproductive rights of women in order to respond to the principle of gender equality.

2-Gendered Social and Spatial Mobilities in a context of economic crisis: an intergenerational approach

The general aim of this area of discussion is to study the transnational social mobility strategies and trajectories of migrant families in a context of economic crisis. We will look into the way households negotiate family social mobility strategies by analysing the actions individuals choose in order to climb social ladders, as well as the series of personal and collective itineraries they undertake within the social hierarchy and the transnational social space. Our analysis will be based on an inter-generational and gender perspective. What is the impact of migrants' transnational social and economic strategies on their social mobility trajectories? And on those of their children? How do they differ in terms of gender? Do some transnational strategies represent social stagnation for some household members, yet revert on others in the form of upward social mobility? We will analyse the articulation of economic, affective and social practices of immigrants, and how this articulation determines the social mobility of households and gender relations, in a context of economic crisis.

3-International Strategies of Professional Women: Challenging Mobility in their Life Course

The mobility of professional women has recently been the focus of an emergent interest by policy makers and scholars since globalisation has modified migration patterns, increasing flows and diversifying movers' profiles. Highly-skilled women move because they are impelled to get away from family and patriarchal societies in search of freedom or sexual rights, personal fulfilment, forced by the dynamics of the global market or by the institutional culture of career progression, economic independence, commitment to their partners and family goals. A second point of interest concerns the life course, particularly because decisions are heavily dependent on age and family issues.

Firstly, figures reveal that young women opt for international mobility for educational reasons, although they disappear at postdoctoral level and when in senior positions. Secondly, partners were associated with negative mobility rates, but dual career couples provide more egalitarian family environments.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The conference organisers invite paper proposals following the three areas of discussion suggested in different world regions. We invite interested participants to submit an abstract of no more than 300 words. We expect each proposal to clearly articulate the subject matter and its relevancy to the conference theme. Proposals should include the paper's title and the author's name, affiliation, and contact information, as well as a bio of 100 to 125 words describing the author's background, accomplishments and research interests. Please send the proposals to tenerifeconference@gmail.com before 01/09/2014.

Successful candidates will be notified by October 1st. Drafts of papers for presentation will be due by November 1st 2014.

Registration and other information (hotels, etc.) will be available from July 30th at: <http://esomi.es> (Transnationalism, Gender and Migration Conference)

REGISTRATION AND CALL FOR PAPERS

8th World Congress on Science and Football

20-23 May, 2015 in Denmark

Several speakers are confirmed, and abstracts are invited within the overall themes:

- Physiology, biomechanics and sports medicine.
- Social sciences and humanities.

Go to <http://wcsf2015.ku.dk/> to find out more about the congress' scientific and social programme as well as registration and abstract submission.

The 8th World Congress on Science and Football

- WCSF2015 is a multidisciplinary congress focusing on five codes of football: Soccer; Rugby; and Australian, American and Gaelic Football. The congress will highlight the newest research results, methodologies and applied approaches.
- The congress expects to attract more than 500 participants from all over the world. We hope to gather international scientists from the natural, human and social sciences, as well as practitioners, to exchange knowledge and participate in a dialogue on both mono- and multidisciplinary aspects of football.

We hope to welcome you to Copenhagen, Denmark, in May 2015.

Jens Bangsbo (chair, Scientific Committee) & Peter Krstrup (chair, Organizing Committee)
Copenhagen Centre for Team Sport and Health, University of Copenhagen, Denmark

Conference on MIGRATION, RELIGION AND ASIA

Call for Papers

27th – 29th November 2014

Arts Centre (Konvikt), Palacký University Olomouc, Czech Republic
Department of Sociology, Andragogy and Cultural Anthropology

Organiser: EU project CHINET, reg. no. CZ.1.07/2.3.00/20.0152, Department of Sociology, Andragogy and Cultural Anthropology & Department of Asian Studies, Palacký University Olomouc

Conference language: English

Keynote speakers:

- Professor Martin Baumann (University of Lucerne)
- Professor Emeritus Eileen Barker (London School of Economics and Political Science)

- Professor Robert Segal (University of Aberdeen)

Special guests:

- Doctor Bernard Scheid (University of Vienna)
- Doctor Aike P. Rots (University of Oslo)

The issues concerning both religiosity and migration have been discussed by scholars across different academic disciplines for a long time. Various theoretical and methodological tools are utilized to approach both of these social phenomena. In our symposium we focus particularly on religion and migration in the global age, while drawing attention to Asia and the role it plays in related processes. It is our intention to provide a space for a highly elaborated academic discussion on these processes.

Dealing with migration, the current debate examines not only the human and subject transmission, but also the delocalization of values, thoughts and practices, a part of which is religion. Religious transformations in the contemporary world can also be regarded as one of the impacts of global migration processes.

This conference call seeks papers engaged in empirical, theoretical and methodological research in the study of religions, migration and Asian studies that address the following themes:

Religion and Migration Processes – Religion in the Globalized World – Religion and Acculturation – Migration and Development – Migration in the Globalized World – Migration and the Role of Religion – Religious and Migration Processes in Asia – Globalizing Asia and Religion – Chinese Overseas

[Click here to submit your abstract](#) (250 words). Abstracts must be submitted by **31st August 2014**.

Deadlines:

- Abstract submission: 31st August 2014
- Information of abstract acceptance: 21st September 2014
- Conference registration: 1st October 2014

Conference fees: Free of charge

Note: Participants will cover all their personal costs, including transportation, accommodation, visas, etc.

Our staff can provide you with an invitation letter for embassies if necessary.

About the City of Olomouc

Olomouc is the capital of the region of Central Moravia and belongs to the oldest cities of the Czech Republic. The region is distinguished for its agriculture, industry and beautiful countryside, as well as its historical and cultural traditions. The city dates back to the ninth century, when it was a power centre of the Great Moravian Kingdom, the oldest Slavonic state. Today Olomouc has above 100,000 inhabitants and its long history makes it one of the most beautiful cities of the Czech Republic, mainly due to its well preserved historical inner city (after Prague, second largest in the Czech Republic).

About Palacký University Olomouc

Palacký University Olomouc is one of the oldest universities in Central Europe. Drawing on more than a 400-year tradition of higher education, it is nowadays an important centre for teaching and research with almost 23,000 undergraduate students in eight faculties. You can find more details about the city and the University on the following web pages: www.upol.cz/en; www.olomouc.eu/eng/.

About Conference venue

The Baroque building of the former Jesuit College is one of the oldest parts of the university in Olomouc. After an exacting renovation on a grand scale, Palacký University now owns a spacious historical building with many original rooms and halls. Five fine art departments of the Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Education have thus gained new lecture halls, fine art studios, recording studios, representative conference halls for international venues, and rooms for its students and teachers. The historical centre of Olomouc now has another centre for culture and the arts. For more details:

<http://www.upol.cz/en/art-centre/>

For further details visit the CHINET website: <http://www.chinet.cz/> or contact us at the e-mail: cmra.olomouc@gmail.com.

This conference is co-financed from the European Social Fund and State financial resources.

Call for Papers

SIDE - ISLE 2014 - 10th Annual Conference

University of Rome - La Sapienza

December 18, 2014 – December 20, 2014

The Italian Society of Law and Economics (ISLE - SIDE) welcomes submissions of papers on any topic regarding the Economic Analysis of Law for its 10th annual conference to be held in Rome (Italy) on December 18-19-20, 2014, at the Faculty of Law and co-organized by the Faculty of Economics, Sapienza University of Rome.

ISLE invites contributions in all aspects related to Law and Economics, such as Bankruptcy, Behavioural Law and Economics, Competition Policy and Antitrust Law and Economics, Corporate Governance and Corporate Law, Criminal Law, Environmental Law and Economics, Constitutional Law and Economics, Family Law and Economics, History of Law and Economics Thought, Institutional and New-Institutional Economics, Intellectual Property, Judicial Decision-Making, Law & Social Norms, Law and Finance, Regulation, Securities Law, Taxation, Public intervention (state-aid) for firms growth.

Submissions must be original and not published elsewhere. People from the Local Organizing Committee and the Advisory Board will appoint referees and select the papers to be presented at the Conference. Priority will be given to completed papers. Please note that, as in previous years, both Italian and English submissions are welcome. The program will guarantee at least one English session for each time slot.

The Brenno Galli Award for most promising young scholar paper presented at the ISLE 2014 Conference will be granted. Authors submitting papers for the ISLE 2014 conference who would like to participate in the competition for the most promising young scholar paper shall inform the organizer upon submission.

A draft or completed paper shall be submitted online through our website: <http://www.side-isle.it/ocs2/index.php/SIDE/SIDE2014/presenter/submit/1>

Deadlines:

- Paper submission deadline: October 6, 2014
- Communication of acceptance: October 27, 2014
- Final papers due by: December 7, 2014
- Registration by: November 22, 2014

For any further information contact LaSapienza2014@side-isle.it

Appel à communications

Penser la question sociale en Europe à partir des expériences des pays émergents ?

Colloque international et pluridisciplinaire

Grenoble 10,11 et 12 juin 2015

L'objet du colloque est de débattre des effets de la globalisation sur les modes d'émergence de la question sociale, à partir de ce que l'on constate à la fois dans les pays de vieille industrialisation et dans ce que l'on appelle « pays émergents ».

Le colloque réunira des chercheurs ayant travaillé dans les pays postindustriels et dans des pays émergents et permettra d'aborder des questions transversales du point de vue sociologique et du point de vue de l'analyse des politiques mises en place autour de la question sociale.

Il permettra aussi de questionner un certain nombre de concepts devenus centraux dans les débats théoriques autour de la nouvelle question sociale : précarité, vulnérabilité, expression spatiale et sociale des inégalités économiques, « empowerment », « pauvreté heureuse »...

Le traitement de ces différentes questions se déclinera dans quatre thématiques principales, en plénières et en ateliers.

- Histoire comparée de la question sociale et des analyses qu'elle a inspirées dans les pays de vieille industrialisation et dans les pays émergents
- L'apparition de catégories plus vulnérables
- Les modes d'action sociale et les politiques de protection
- Les symptômes d'affaiblissement de la cohésion sociale

Voir l'appel à communication sur le site du colloque : <http://questions-sociales.sciencesconf.org/>

Dates clés

- **15 octobre 2014** : date limite d'envoi des propositions de communications
 - o document word
 - o en français ou en anglais
 - o 500 mots environ
 - o accompagnées d'un CV
 - o par courrier électronique au secrétariat du colloque : questions-sociales@sciencesconf.org
- **15 décembre 2014** : notification d'acceptation aux auteurs
- **15 mars 2015** : envoi du texte définitif

- 10,11 et 12 juin 2015 : déroulement du colloque

Site internet : <http://questions-sociales.sciencesconf.org/>

Contact : questions-sociales@sciencesconf.org

Pour le comité d'organisation :

Ewa BOGALSKA-MARTIN et Emmanuel MATTEUDI chercheurs à [PACTE](#)-CNRS UMR 5194

Call for Papers

WCSA World Complexity Science Academy

<http://www.wcsaglobal.org/>

V Conference

INVENTING THE FUTURE IN AN AGE OF CONTINGENCY

November 7th -8th, 2014

Danubius Hotel Astoria City Center

Kossuth Lajos utca 19-21, 1053 Budapest, Hungary

Abstract submission

ONE SHOT DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION AUGUST 31ST 2014

FULL PAPER SUBMISSION SEPTEMBER 30th 2014

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In an age of contingency, the future seems to be a horizon which moves further and further as one tries to get closer. Risk, contingency, catastrophe and unpredictability turn the “future” into an unusual world in everyday semantics and, for example, in political communication. The word “future” often appears linked to the semantics of pessimism and catastrophism. Nevertheless, inventing the future is becoming more and more strategic in an age in which finance is the metaphor for value and wealth construction, and the convergence of Robotics, Informatics, Nanotechnologies and Genetics, or the so-called RING Singularity, is simultaneously turning the human being itself into contingency and infinite possibilities (Heidegger's *Gegnet*), clarifying once again that the future cannot be predicted but can be invented. This conference challenges worldwide scholars to, directly or indirectly, answer this question:

How would you utilize the systemic toolkit to design the world in 2030 in its key economical, juridical, sociological and technological aspects?

Abstract submission consistent with the general theme of the conference might deal with one or more of the following topics related to the general theme and examined from a systemic perspective:

- 1) Contemporary Sociological Theory
- 2) Contemporary Systemic Epistemology and Methodology
- 3) Globalization
- 4) Convergent Technologies and Singularity Studies
- 5) Business Strategies
- 6) Sociology of Law
- 7) Supranational and Multinational Organization Studies
- 8) Supranational Legal Systems and Organizations
- 9) Citizenship and its evolutionary forms
- 10) Mathematical and Biological Concepts and tools for Systemic Research
- 11) Applied Systemic Research
- 12) Global Communication Studies
- 13) Global Media Studies
- 14) Education Policies
- 15) Health Policies
- 16) Social Innovation Policy
- 17) The Social Construction of the Past and of the concept of History
- 18) The Social Construction of the Present
- 19) The Social Construction of the Future
- 20) Shaping new systemic professional profiles (shaping the systemic lawyer, accountant, engineer...)
- 21) Digitalization and Systemic Change
- 22) Digitalization and Business Cycles
- 23) Digital Citizenship
- 24) Hypercitizenship
- 25) Urban and Metropolitan Complexity

Conference Proceedings:

FIRST: SHOT DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION (minimum 300 maximum 500 words): AUGUST 31ST 2014

FULL PAPER SUBMISSION SEPTEMBER 30th 2014

Program closes on October 1st. No speaker admittance to the conference with no conference fee paid within September 30th.

Full papers must be edited by the author according to the guidelines.

Submission of Manuscripts. The manuscript should be typewritten, double-spaced, 12 pt. font, with margins of at least one inch on all sides. Chicago style is preferred.

Illustrations. Illustrations submitted (line drawings, halftones, photos, photomicrographs, etc.) should be clean originals or digital files.

Footnotes. Footnotes should be noted in numerical order within the text and then placed at the end of the manuscript, preceding the references.

References. Within text, citations should be cited by author(s) and date in parentheses. Full citations are required and should be arranged alphabetically. For further information, consult the Chicago Manual of Style, 16th ed.

Conference Registration Fees -in euro -for the speakers

WCSA Member Senior LP 170 VP 100

WCSA Member Junior LP 120 VP 80

Not WCSA Member LP 500 VP 300

Not WCSA members belonging to Santa Fe Associates International LP 200 VP 100

In case of virtual presentation, beyond the abstract and/or full paper, presenters must submit a 10-minute audio/video speech by August 31, 2014.

Submitters and spectators must join WCSA before October 10, 2014 if they wish to pay the WCSA member conference fee.

For people who want to attend the conference in Budapest as spectators the registration fees, in euros, are:

WCSA Member Senior 90

WCSA Member Junior 65

Not WCSA Member Senior 190

Not WCSA Member Junior 150

Abstract must be sent by email to wcsaconferences@gmail.com, and the subject of the email must be: WCSA 2014.

Call for Abstracts

The Causes and Consequences of Private Governance: The Changing Roles of State and Private Actors

6 – 7 November, 2014 in Mannheim, Germany

A conference hosted by the Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES)

www.mzes.uni-mannheim.de

and co-sponsored by European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST)
within the Action IS1309 “Innovations in Climate Governance: Sources, Patterns and Effects (INOGOV)”

http://www.cost.eu/domains_actions/isch/Actions/IS1309

Conference organizers: Sebastian Koos, Jennifer Shore, and Jale Tosun

Overview:

The two-day conference will serve as a platform for an interdisciplinary exchange on the causes and consequences of private governance, bringing together international scholars from multiple academic fields. We seek a variety of contributions for the workshop: First, we will examine works that highlight the emergence and diffusion of private governance systems. Second, we turn to the effects of private governance, both for societies, but also for businesses, standards organizations, and governments. We welcome both theoretical and empirical contributions. Although the study of private governance is by no means a new area of investigation, the research field remains quite fragmented in terms of both its objects of interest and disciplinary foci. Against this background, the workshop pursues a twofold goal: 1) to take stock of the large volumes of research on the topic of private governance and 2) to systematically map out the road ahead in order to identify which questions remain unanswered and where the new frontiers lie. We are especially but not exclusively interested in contributions that shed light on private governance in the fields of environmental protection and climate change, labour standards, and product quality and safety.

Organization:

Abstracts are to be submitted by **September 1st, 2014** to privategovernance2014@gmail.com. They should comprise around 500 words and clearly describe the theoretical arguments and/or data and method(s) used. Decisions and invitations will be sent within three weeks of the abstract deadline. Completed papers are to be submitted by October 15th, 2014.

Funding and publication:

Travel expenses and accommodation for paper presenters will be covered by the MZES or by INOGOV. We aim to publish the key insights from the conference in a special issue with a reputable field journal. Please indicate upon abstract submission whether your paper would be available for publication.

Concept and focus of the workshop:

To overcome what some have called the “global governance gap”, the past decades have witnessed an increase in private forms of governance. Civil regulation or business self-regulation refers to any type of social and environmental and climate-related standards or practices voluntarily adopted by businesses. These standards are frequently determined by NGOs, governments, industry associations, or the firms themselves. Despite the rise in and diversification of private governance measures, their origins, interactions, and outcomes have only been studied selectively.

The first half of the conference will examine work dealing with the origins and diffusion of private governance, focusing on diverse groups of actors, institutions, but also social changes. What sort of timeline can we observe for private innovations to spread across industries and sectors? Can we observe different generations of private governance instruments? Which factors facilitate or impede the emergence and diffusion of various types of private governance? How do public and private actors share the work load of governing the commons?

On the second day, we will turn our attention to the effects of private governance. We are particularly interested in studies that address whether the implementation of standards produced the expected outcomes as well as how implementation has affected different groups of actors. Can private governance solve public goods problems? Under which conditions do we witness behavioral and attitudinal changes on the part of consumers?

Call for Papers

World Values Survey International Open Seminar

Almería (Spain), 24-25 Nov 2014

(Deadline: Abstracts on 20th October 2014. Full manuscripts on 14th November 2014)

<http://congresos.ual.es/emv2014/>

This conference is organized by the Department of Sociology and marks the release of the sixth wave of the World Values Survey. The Conference will feature published papers and current research using this survey.

The conference will include:

- An Introduction to the sixth wave of the World Values Survey
- Published research which uses the World Values Survey
- Current research using the World Values Survey in Almería

Coordinator: Pilar Rodríguez Martínez (pilarr@ual.es)

Conference office: (2014emv@gmail.com)

Call for Submissions

GLOCALISM

JOURNAL OF CULTURE, POLITICS AND INNOVATION

“Glocalism”, a peer-reviewed and cross-disciplinary journal, is currently accepting manuscripts for publication. We welcome studies in any field, with or without comparative approach, that address both practical effects and theoretical import. All articles should be sent to: p.bassetti@globusetlocus.org, davide.cadeddu@unimi.it

Articles can be in any language and length chosen by the author, while its abstract and keywords have to be in English.

Deadline: September 30, 2014. This issue is scheduled to appear at end-October 2014.

Website: <http://www.glocalismjournal.net/>

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The topic of this issue

GLOBAL CITIES

Cities are the spaces in which the global economy finds its *raison d'être*, and global politics finds its crises and new expression. Cities are the confluence of technological, material, monetary, and migratory flows. Above all, they are the manifestation of the new society, of innovation, and of the concretization of heretofore unknown possibilities for humanity.

Thus, cities must be conceptually reconfigured with respect to their new global context, avoiding the reductionism of merely reflecting on urbanization processes and, instead, using the urban context to envisage political practices of globalization. Today, the political nature of spatial relationships has emerged in all its dramatic force, due to the physical contraction of the spaces of life and the intensification of human relations. In other words, a new idea of citizenship is at stake. After the "glocal" citizenship has been defined, we should discuss whether we can speak of values and practices inherent to this political community and whether we can (or should) speak of a new idea of democratic participation and a new form of political representation.

To this end, traditional political categories are no longer sufficient to fathom the deliberate and involuntary deployments of global policy. We need to foster the process with new conceptual categories, whose roots lie deep in the – variegated and dynamic – empirical reality of globalization. We must contextually analyze the new social practices, which find their expression in cities, around cities, and in the polyarchic relationships between cities. In point of fact, the global network of cities seems to have become the new form of governance and the new manifestation of polity that is increasingly being constructed.

OPPORTUNITIES

Short Term Scientific Missions (STSM)- IS1206-

Femicide Across Europe-

CALL 1, YEAR 2

Dear Researchers,

COST Action IS1206- Femicide in Europe invites Researchers from Participating COST Countries to submit applications for the **1st** call, **year 2** for Short-Term Scientific Missions (STSM) Applications for missions occurring between **August – December 2014**.

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 or laboratory in another Participating COST Country / an approved NNC institution or an approved IPC institution. A STSM should specifically contribute to the overall scientific objectives of the COST Action, whilst at the same time enable Researchers to learn new techniques or gain access to specific expertise, instruments and/or methods not available in their own institutions.

Deadline for applications to be submitted: **July 25, 2014** ("flexibility for 10 days after the deadline")

Notification of application outcome: **August 8, 2014**

Period of STSM: between **August 14, 2014** and **December 19, 2014**

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

Standard STSMs for this call must:

1. Be a minimum duration of 5 days;
2. Be a maximum duration of 90 days;
3. Be carried out by December 2014.

The calculation of this contribution for a STSM will be based on the following:

- The reimbursement rate per day for subsistence is EUR 160 maximum;
- Up to EUR 500 may be allocated for the travel expenses;
- A maximum EUR 2 500 in total can be afforded to the grantee.

If you are interested, please send the following by **deadline as stated above** to STSMs committee of this Action (see emails below):

- A written agreement of the host institution
- CV
- work plan specifying what you intend to do 500 words
- list of publications
- motivation letter, explaining how your work will benefit from this STSM
- letter of support from the home institution

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