



THE JACOB BLAUSTEIN CENTER FOR SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION (BCSC)

Guidelines for Scientific Symposia, Workshops, Conferences and Kickoff/status meetings and other conferences of funded projects

The BCSC recognizes four types of scientific meetings:

1). Symposia: These are typically small one-day gatherings with no parallel sessions, usually addressing a unique relatively narrow topic. The BCSC strongly encourages establishing these as regular annual meetings.

2). Workshops: A discussion group of professionals aimed at advancing a certain topic and discussion. Workshops may have lecture sessions, but their main thrust should be advancing a topic interactively. Workshops must have a product (e.g. papers, book, electronic or printed).

3). Conferences: These are larger events (such as societal annual meetings) with parallel sessions, or spanning more than one day, or having a substantial proportion of international speakers or audience (> 20% excluding those funded by the BCSC).

4). Kickoff/status meetings and other conferences of funded projects. These are meetings that are an integral part of cooperative international or local research projects, where all or most of the speakers are co-investigators and are presenting material associated with the funded project. As such, the BCSC offers only limited support for such meeting (see below).

1. SYMPOSIA

Requirements:

- One of the organizers of the event should be a member of the BIDR (including Prof. Emeritus).
- The event will take place at the BIDR.
- At least 8 speakers, with tentative title of the lectures.
- Faculty/post-docs/students of the BIDR should feature prominently among the speakers.
- The activities should be targeted at faculty and staff. Activities that are mainly aimed at students will not be funded.
- The presence of the Jacob Blaustein Center for Scientific Cooperation logo on publications related to this activity is a condition for the support.
- Proceedings with extended abstracts. The BCSC views the publication of the proceedings as important and strongly encourages the organizers to undertake their printing.
- Establishment and maintenance of a permanent web site (including each year's program and abstracts), by the symposia convener.
- According to the committee decision, the organizer should provide a letter of commitment accepting the support conditions, issued by the BCSC.

The BCSC will partially defray the cost of the following specific items (*up to a maximum of 3,000\$*):

- Travel expenses related to visits of foreign scientists (up to max. two) (one direct, round trip flight ticket, the cheapest economy class) and per diem (60\$ day⁻¹) for the length of the symposium.
- Organized transportation from Beer-Sheva to Sede Boqer Campus.

- Bags (if provided to the participants) with Jacob Blaustein Center for Scientific Cooperation logo.
- Establishment and maintenance of a permanent web site (including each year's program and abstracts), by the symposia convener.

The accounts will be arranged through the financial officer of the BIDR after the event. If required an advance of \$1,000 may be provided.

2. WORKSHOPS

Requirements:

- One of the organizers of the event should be a member of the BIDR (including Prof. Emeritus).
- The event will take place at the BIDR.
- Tentative title of the lectures.
- Attendants are prominent scientists from Israel and abroad with two or more from the BIDR.
- The presence of the Jacob Blaustein Center for Scientific Cooperation logo on publications related to this activity is a condition for the support.
- The workshop will produce a document (electronic or hard copy) summarizing its activities (e.g. a concept paper or book).
- According to the committee decision, the organizer should provide a letter of commitment accepting the support conditions, issued by the BCSC.

The BCSC will partially defray the cost of the following specific items (*between 3000\$ to 5,000\$*)

- Travel expenses related to visits of foreign scientists (up to max. five) (one direct, round trip flight ticket, the cheapest economy class) and per diem (60\$ day⁻¹) for the length of the workshop.
- Organized transportation from Beer-Sheva to Sede Boqer Campus.
- Bags (if provided to the participants) with Jacob Blaustein Center for Scientific Cooperation logo.

The accounts will be arranged through the financial officer of the BIDR after the event. If required an advance of \$1,000 may be provided.

3. CONFERENCES

Requirements:

- One of the organizers of the event should be a member of the BIDR (including Prof. Emeritus).
- The event will take place at the BIDR.
- Tentative title of the lectures.
- Faculty/post-docs/students of the BIDR should feature among the speakers.

- The presence of the Jacob Blaustein Center for Scientific Cooperation logo on publications related to this activity is a condition for the support.
- The activities should be targeted at faculty and staff. Activities that are mainly aimed at students will not be funded.
- Establishment and maintenance of a permanent web site (including each year's program and abstracts), by the symposia convener.
- According to the committee decision, the organizer should provide a letter of commitment accepting the support conditions, issued by the BCSC.

The BCSC will **partially** defray the cost of the following specific items (*up to a maximum of \$5,000*):

- Travel expenses related to visits of foreign scientists (up to max. four) (one direct, round trip flight ticket, the cheapest economy class) and per diem (60\$ day⁻¹) for the length of the conference.
- Organized transportation from Beer-Sheva to Sede Boqer Campus.
- Printing of proceedings with extended abstracts.
- Establishment and maintenance of a permanent web site (including each year's program and abstracts), by the conference convener.
- Bags (if provided to the participants) with Jacob Blaustein Center for Scientific Cooperation logo.

The accounts will be arranged through the financial officer of the BIDR after the event. If required an advance of \$1,000 may be provided.

4. KICKOFF/STATUS MEETINGS AND OTHER CONFERENCES OF FUNDED PROJECTS.

As a rule the BCSC does not support these types of meetings. But will assist with expenses (up to \$2,000) having to do with: auditorium costs, professional tours, and publications emerging from these meetings.

For Application Form “*Scientific Symposia, Workshops, Conferences and Kickoff/status meetings and other conferences of funded projects*” proceed to [Form 3b](#).