



THE JACOB BLAUSTEIN CENTER FOR SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION (BCSC)

Guidelines for BCSC funding of scientific symposia/workshops and conferences

The BCSC calls for application for funding of symposia/workshops and conferences to promote **international cooperation**. The prime criterion for funding is the significant contribution of the event to fostering international cooperation and outreach. Funding can be requested to support small narrow-topic events (symposia/workshops) as well as larger conferences. The significance of the event for BIDR's international cooperation must be clearly stated.

Requirements for all events:

- One of the organizers of the event must be a member of the BIDR (including professor emeriti).
- The event must take place at the BIDR.
- At least one of the speakers should be international, from an institution/organization abroad.
- The activities should be targeted at faculty and staff. Activities that are mainly aimed at students will not be funded.
- Speakers/discussants should be prominent scientists from Israel and abroad with two or more from the BIDR.
- The Jacob Blaustein Center for Scientific Cooperation logo must appear on all publications related to this event as a condition for support.
- According to the committee's decision, the organizer should provide a letter of commitment accepting the support conditions, issued by the BCSC.

If the event is a large conference, the following additional requirements apply:

- Tentative titles of the lectures must be provided
- A substantial number of the speakers should be international, from institutions/organizations abroad.
- Faculty/post-docs/students of the BIDR should feature among the speakers.

The BCSC will partially defray the cost of the following specific items (*up to a maximum of \$1,500 USD*):

- Travel expenses related to the visits of international scientists (up to two maximum) (one roundtrip, economy class flight ticket, of the lowest available price without extended layovers) and per diem (\$65 per day¹) for the length of the symposium.
- Organized transportation from Beer-Sheva to the Sede Boqer Campus.

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