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Dear ISF grantees,

In our ongoing effort to enhance scientific collaboration between Israel and Italy, we are delighted to announce the launch of a new program. This initiative aims to provide support for scientists who have received an ISF Personal Research Grant (PRG) and those affiliated with the Italian National Research Council (Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche, CNR) to initiate a **collaborative research meeting**.

The CNR, Italy's largest research council, boasts diverse Research Institutes dedicated to activities spanning life sciences, exact sciences and technology, social sciences, and humanities. The list of participating CNR research institutes is provided as an additional document accompanying this email.

This program facilitates short visits (maximum two weeks) for Israeli scientists to a chosen CNR Institute, to foster the potential for future collaborations. Eligibility extends to all Israeli Principal Investigators (PIs) supported by a PRG. Funding for flights to and from Italy (economy class) will be provided by the ISF, while the CNR will cover local costs. Support is limited to one such trip during 2024, exclusively for visiting a CNR institute, excluding additional visits to other Italian universities or institutions.

To apply, Israeli PIs, must initiate contact with a PI from the listed CNR research institutes and obtain approval for the collaborative research meeting. The ISF attached form should be submitted by mail to the ISF at isf-cnr@isf.org.il by March 17th 2024. The ISF form should include:

1. Name and institution of the Israeli PI, ISF PRG number, and proposal title. In cases of multiple PIs under the same grant, only one PI may apply.
2. Name and institution of the CNR PI along with a brief description of their research field.
3. A concise explanation (limited to one page) outlining the expected value and outcomes of the collaborative research meeting, linking it to the topic of the current ISF grant supporting the Israeli PI. Any prior collaborations between the PIs should be mentioned.
4. Expected date of the collaborative research meeting, scheduled to be completed before the end of 2024.

CNR Requirments:

The Israeli PI must send the following documentation to the Italian PI before the end of March 2024, who will enter the application on the CNR online platform.

Documents to be sent to the Italian PI (who will advise) for the CNR submission:

- CV
- Passport or identity card if coming from the European Union
- A scientific presentation by the Israeli researcher
- Project (the form must be downloaded from the platform)

After the ISF's eligibility check, the final decisions will be made by the CNR evaluation committee.

Approved projects are expected be announced at the end of May 2024.

For approved projects: The Israeli PI will be required to submit the following documents for the acceptance process:

- Italian tax code (to be requested from an Italian consulate or embassy in their country)
- Statement to be filled in and signed (sent by the CNR through the Italian PI)
- Tax residency certification, issued by the tax office of your country, without which the expected compensation will be taxed at 30%
- Contract to be signed shortly before arrival in Italy (sent by the CNR through the CNR PI)

The ISF funding of this initiative will come forth only after receiving an official approval from the CNR (via the Israeli PI, to: isf-cnr@isf.org.il).

For further clarifications regarding the CNR required documents, please contact:
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Scientific Network of CNR

The Scientific network of Cnr is organized in Departments, Research Institutes and, limited to projects whose duration is well defined, in Research Units located at third party.

The Departments are organizational units structured in macro-areas of scientific and technological research. They mainly have planning, organization and supervision functions.

The institutes, gathered in several technical and scientific sectors, perform research tasks according to their programs: The geographical distribution on the territory allows them to give a relevant contribution to the regional and local innovation. In some cities the institutes are aggregated within research areas. The latter are structures offering support and services, and representing for the territory a scientific and cultural attraction pole.

DEPARTMENT OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

Research institutes

- [Istituto di Biochimica e Biologia Cellulare \(IBBC\)](#)
- [Institute of molecular bioimaging and physiology \(IBFM\)](#)
- [Institute of molecular biology and pathology \(IBPM\)](#)
- [Institute of biomembrane and bioenergetics \(BIOM\)](#)
- [Institute of biostructure and bioimaging \(IBB\)](#)
- [Institute of Traslational Pharmacology \(IFT\)](#)
- [Institute of clinical physiology \(IFC\)](#)
- [Institute of genetics and biophysics "Adriano Buzzati Traverso" \(IGB\)](#)
- [Institute of molecular genetics \(IGM\)](#)
- [Institute of neuroscience \(IN\)](#)
- [Institute for Genetic and Biomedical Research \(IRGB\)](#)
- [Institute of biomedical technologies \(ITB\)](#)
- [Institute Experimental Endocrinology and Oncology "Gaetano Salvatore" \(IEOS\)](#)
- [Istituto per la Ricerca e l'Innovazione Biomedica \(IRIB\)](#)

DEPARTMENT OF EARTH SYSTEM SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL
TECHNOLOGIES

Research institutes

- [Institute of environmental geology and geoengineering \(IGAG\)](#)
- [Institute of geosciences and earth resources \(IGG\)](#)
- [Institute of methodologies for environmental analysis \(IMAA\)](#)
- [Research institute for geo-hydrological protection \(IRPI\)](#)
- [Research Institute on Terrestrial Ecosystems \(IRET\)](#)
- [Water research institute \(IRSA\)](#)
- [Institute of atmospheric sciences and climate \(ISAC\)](#)
- [Marine science institute \(ISMAR\)](#)
- [Istituto di Scienze Polari \(ISP\)](#)
- [Istituto per le Risorse Biologiche e le Biotecnologie Marine \(IRBIM\)](#)
- [Istituto per lo studio degli impatti Antropici e Sostenibilità in ambiente marino \(IAS\)](#)
- [Institute of Atmospheric pollution Research \(IIA\)](#)

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGIES OF MATTER
Research institutes

- [Institutes for complex systems \(ISC\)](#)
- [Institute of biophysics \(IBF\)](#)
- [Institute for photonics and nanotechnologies \(IFN\)](#)
- [Institute of Nanotechnology \(NANOTEC\)](#)
- [Istituto di cibernetica "Edoardo Caianiello" \(ISASI\)](#)
- [Institute of structure of matter \(ISM\)](#)
- [Institute of nanoscience \(NANO\)](#)
- [National Institute of Optics \(INO\)](#)
- [Institute of materials \(IOM\)](#)
- [Institute for microelectronics and microsystems \(IMM\)](#)
- [Institute for Plasma Science and Technology \(ISTP\)](#)
- [Institute for superconductors, oxides and other innovative materials and devices \(SPIN\)](#)

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY, AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SCIENCES
Research institutes

- [Institute of agricultural biology and biotechnology \(IBBA\)](#)
- [Institute of plant genetics \(IBBR\)](#)
- [Institute of food sciences \(ISA\)](#)
- [Institute of sciences of food production \(ISPA\)](#)
- [Institute of BioEconomy \(IBE\)](#)
- [Institute for Agriculture and Forestry Systems in the Mediterranean \(ISAFoM\)](#)
- [Institute for Biological Systems \(ISB\)](#)
- [Institute for animal production system in mediterranean environment \(ISPAAM\)](#)
- [Institute for Sustainable Plant Protection \(IPSP\)](#)

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICAL SCIENCES AND MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY
Research institutes

- [Institute of biomolecular chemistry \(ICB\)](#)
- [Institute of chemistry of organometallic compounds \(ICCOM\)](#)
- [Institute of Condensed Matter Chemistry and Energy Technologies \(ICMATE\)](#)
- [Institute of Crystallography \(IC\)](#)
- [Institute of science and technology for ceramics \(ISSMC\)](#)
- [Istituto di Scienze e Tecnologie Chimiche "Giulio Natta" \(SCITEC\)](#)
- [Institute of Polymers, Composites and Biomaterials \(IPCB\)](#)
- [Institute for chemical and physical processes \(IPCF\)](#)
- [Institute for organic syntheses and photoreactivity \(ISOF\)](#)
- [Institute on membrane technology \(ITM\)](#)
- [Institute of nanostructured materials \(ISMN\)](#)

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, ICT AND TECHNOLOGIES FOR ENERGY AND
TRANSPORTATION

Research institutes

- [Institute of materials for electronics and magnetism \(IMEM\)](#)
- [Institute for system analysis and computer science "Antonio Ruberti" \(IASI\)](#)
- [Institute for high performance computing and networking \(ICAR\)](#)
- [Institute of Electronics, Computer and Telecommunication Engineering \(IEIT\)](#)
- [Institute of applied physics "Nello Carrara" \(IFAC\)](#)
- [Institute for informatics and telematics \(IIT\)](#)
- [Institute of Marine Engineering \(INM\)](#)
- [Institute for applied mathematics and information technologies \(IMATI\)](#)
- [Institute of information science and technologies "Alessandro Faedo" \(ISTI\)](#)
- [Istituto di Scienze e Tecnologie per l'Energia e la Mobilità Sostenibili \(STEMS\)](#)
- [Institute of industrial technologies and automation \(STIIMA\)](#)
- [Institute for advanced energy technologies "Nicola Giordano" \(ITAE\)](#)
- [Institute for electromagnetic sensing of the environment \(IREA\)](#)
- [Institute for applied mathematics "Mauro Picone" \(IAC\)](#)
- [Construction technologies institute \(ITC\)](#)

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES, CULTURAL HERITAGE
Research institutes

- [Institute of Legal Informatics and Judicial Systems \(IGSG\)](#)
- [Institute of computational linguistics "Antonio Zampolli" \(ILC\)](#)
- [Institute for Research on Innovation and Services for Development \(IRISS\)](#)
- [Research Institute on Sustainable Economic Growth \(IRCRES\)](#)
- [Institute for research on population and social policies \(IRPPS\)](#)
- [Istituto di Scienze del Patrimonio Culturale \(ISPC\)](#)
- [Institute of cognitive sciences and technologies \(ISTC\)](#)
- [Institute of mediterranean europe history \(ISEM\)](#)
- [Institute for international legal studies \(ISGI\)](#)
- [Institute for the Study of Regionalism, Federalism and Self-Government "Massimo Severo Giannini" \(ISSIRFA\)](#)
- [Institute for studies on the Mediterranean \(ISMed\)](#)
- [The italian dictionary \(OVI\)](#)
- [Institute for the european intellectual lexicon and history of ideas \(ILIESI\)](#)
- [Institute for the history of philosophical and scientific thought in modern age \(ISPF\)](#)
- [Institute for educational technology \(ITD\)](#)