

Requirements for applications to receive funding for a NOSTER thematic seminar

Applications for thematic seminars should meet the following criteria:

- a) The thematic seminar should have an academic character: the goal, relevance and program of this seminar should be clearly mentioned in the application.
- b) The topic of the seminar should be relevant to a substantial part of the NOSTER members and is preferably multidisciplinary of nature.
- c) The seminar needs to be organised by scholars from (at least two) different institutions that participate in NOSTER.
- d) The inclusion of program elements particularly aimed at junior members (e.g., short paper presentations or poster sessions) is recommended.
- e) The budget costs of the planned activities as well as an indication of how the group intends to use the funding requested from NOSTER.

Additional requirements that the thematic seminars need to meet:

- 1) The application should clearly mention one (main) applicant, who needs to be a member of NOSTER and with whom NOSTER will communicate. The invoice to NOSTER to receive the funding needs to be sent by the institution with which the (main) applicant is affiliated.
- 2) NOSTER members should be able to participate in the seminar for free.
- 3) In principle the seminar takes place on a single day. If the seminar takes place on more than one day, it should be possible and useful to participate in the seminar for one day only.
- 4) Besides the academic part, the seminar also provides opportunity for socialising and networking (preferably a lunch or dinner).
- 5) The seminar takes place at a location that is within easy reach (through public transport).
- 6) Long before the thematic seminar takes place, the organisers should generate substantial publicity, in which the event is explicitly announced as a "NOSTER thematic seminar".

Applications that do not comply with these conditions and/or do not contain all requested elements, will not be considered.

Funding decisions are made by the Executive Board (*Dagelijks bestuur*) and publicly announced on the NOSTER website; in addition to the criteria above, the Board ensures thematic and disciplinary diversification.

Funding applications for thematic seminars can be sent to noster@ru.nl.