

Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and
Other Developing Countries (NAM S&T Centre)

**Joint NAM S&T Centre - ZMT Bremen (Germany) Fellowship
in Tropical Coastal Marine Ecology and Biogeochemistry**

Announcement for 2012

The Centre for Science and Technology of the Non-Aligned and Other Developing Countries (NAM S&T Centre; www.namstct.org) is pleased to invite applications from suitable candidates for the Joint NAM S&T Centre - ZMT Bremen (Germany) Fellowship in Tropical Coastal Marine Ecology and Biogeochemistry for the year 2012.

This Fellowship scheme was initiated in January 2008 for affiliation of the scientists from the developing countries with the Leibniz Centre for Tropical Marine Ecology (ZMT), Bremen, Germany [www.zmt-bremen.de] for a period of up to 3 months to work with its senior researchers and faculty members for upgrading research skills and undertaking short-term joint research projects in the fields related to Ecology and Biogeochemistry of Tropical Coastal Marine Systems. Depending on the research topic, the Fellows can also benefit from the ZMT's association with the Marine Science Institute of Bremen University, Max Plank Institute for Marine Microbiology and the MARUM Research Centre in Bremen.

Under this scheme, the NAM S&T Centre sponsors up to five scientists in a given calendar year, of which only one scientist can be from any given developing country. The Centre covers the international airfare of the Fellows from its member countries, but applications from those developing countries, which are still not the member of the NAM S&T Centre, are also welcome subject to certain conditions. ZMT provides a monthly subsistence allowance of 1000 Euros to meet the accommodation and other expenses in Bremen.

Applications recommended by the parent institutions of the applicants may be submitted to the NAM S&T Centre by email in the relevant format.

The last date for submitting application for the Fellowship is 30th April 2012.

The selection will be made strictly based on the professional details of the applicant, plan of work to be carried out and mutual research interests of the applicant and ZMT. Copies of the guidelines for the Fellowship and the application form are attached (also available at the Centre's Website www.namstct.org). The Guidelines may please be read carefully before submitting the application.

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GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION FORM

Background

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was concluded by the NAM S&T Centre [www.namstct.org] with the Centre for Tropical Marine Ecology (Zentrum für Marine Tropenökologie - ZMT), Bremen, Germany [www.zmt-bremen.de] on 1st March 2004 to make use of the networks of the two organizations to foster and promote human resource development, capacity building and scientific research; jointly organize and implement training programmes for young scientists from the developing countries in the field of Marine Sciences; provide mutual assistance for their respective programmes and projects; and facilitate contacts amongst scientific community in developing countries. In pursuance thereof, an international workshop-cum-training course on 'Coastal Ecosystems: Hazards Management and Rehabilitation' was organized by the Centre at Purwokerto, Indonesia during 8–17 August 2006. A Fellowship scheme was initiated in 2008 jointly by the NAM S&T Centre and ZMT Bremen for providing opportunities to the scientists from the developing countries to affiliate themselves with ZMT to upgrade their research skills and conduct joint research in Marine Ecology.

Objectives

The objectives of the Joint NAM S&T Centre – ZMT Bremen Fellowship Programme are:

- a) To provide opportunities to the scientists and researchers from the developing countries to work with senior researchers and faculty members in ZMT Bremen for upgrading their research skills in the fields related to Ecology and Biogeochemistry of Tropical Coastal Marine Systems.
- b) To facilitate the scientists and researchers from the developing countries to undertake short-term joint research projects at ZMT Bremen.
- c) To provide a mechanism to the scientists and researchers from the developing countries to use the equipment and facility of ZMT Bremen for their own research activities on mutually agreed terms and conditions.
- d) To facilitate exchange of information and contacts and create a network between the scientists and researchers from Germany and other developing countries.
- e) Depending on the topic of their research, the Fellows can also benefit from the ZMT's association with the MARUM Research Center in Bremen, which brings together the other Marine Science Institutions in the University of Bremen and the Max Plank Institute for Marine Microbiology.

Number of Fellowships

Up to 5 scientists and researchers from the developing countries will be sponsored each year by the NAM S&T Centre to work at ZMT Bremen under the Joint Fellowship Programme. They will be selected strictly on merit and competitive basis.

Duration of Fellowship

The maximum duration of Fellowship will be 3 months.

Eligibility

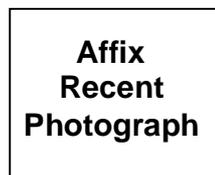
- a) The applicant must hold at least a Master of Science (M.Sc.) or an equivalent degree and should be actively engaged in research and development.
- b) There is no upper age limit, but younger scientists will be preferred.
- c) Selection is strictly on merit based on the scientific quality of the proposal submitted by the applicant.
- d) From a developing country only one scientist / researcher will be accepted in any given financial year.

Financial and Other Terms

- a) ZMT Bremen will provide subsistence allowance of € 1000 per month for accommodation, meals and out-of-pocket expenses in Bremen for the duration of the fellowship.
- b) The NAM S&T Centre will pay the return international airfare from the home country to Bremen, Germany to the selected scientists / researchers, subject to the endorsement by the Focal Point of the NAM S&T Centre in the country of the applicant and only from those member countries of the NAM S&T Centre or members of the NAM S&T – Industry Network, which have no outstanding dues towards the annual membership subscription to the Centre. [Lists of member countries and members of the NAM S&T – Industry Network are available in the Centre's website www.namstct.org]. Applications from defaulting member countries and without the endorsement of the Focal Points as well as from other developing countries, which are not the members of the NAM S&T Centre, are also welcome, but in such cases, the sending country or the candidates themselves will have to arrange for their international travel and pay US\$500 to the NAM S&T Centre in advance towards its administrative expenses.
- c) ZMT Bremen will provide all possible facilities and access to various equipment in its constituent laboratories that may be required by the Fellows for implementing their research activity under the supervision of a senior ZMT scientist.
- d) Individual Fellows or their governments / institutions will be required to bear the following costs:
 - ❖ All expenses in the home country incidental to travel abroad, including expenditure for passport and visa, required medical examinations and vaccinations and miscellaneous expenses such as internal travel to/from the airport of departure in the home country.

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and
The Centre for Tropical Marine Ecology (Zentrum für Marine
Tropenökologie - ZMT), Bremen, Germany
Joint NAM S&T Centre – ZMT Bremen Fellowship Programme**

APPLICATION FORM



(Please TYPE or use BLOCK capitals; NO COLUMN SHOULD BE LEFT BLANK)

SECTION - A

(To be filled in by the Applicant)

1. **Name (Dr/Mr/Mrs/Ms):**

(As in Passport)
2. **Designation (Position held):**
3. **Nationality:**
4. **Date of Birth:****Place of Birth (City):**.....**(Country)**
5. **Passport No:** **Place of issue:**
Date of Issue: **Valid up to:**
(Please enclose a copy of your Passport)
6. **Name of the Parent Organisation (Employer):**
Full Address (Office):
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Phone: **Fax:** **E-mail:**
7. **Full Address (Home):**
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Phone:.....**Fax:**.....**E-mail:**
8. **Educational Qualifications:**

Highest Degree:

Year of Award:

University:

Field of Study:

9. Brief Bio-data (including professional and research experience and a list of papers published, if any)

(To be attached on separate sheet).

10. What in your opinion qualifies you for the Fellowship?

(To be attached on separate sheet)

11. Plan of Work

(To be attached on separate sheet)

12. Duration of Visit

Signature of applicant: _____

Date: _____

SECTION -B

RECOMMENDATION OF PARENT INSTITUTION

(The Candidate must get the application recommended by his/her Parent Institution/employer).

(Signature)

Name (in full):

Designation:

Date:

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SECTION -C

ENDORSEMENT BY NOMINATING AUTHORITY

(The Candidate may get the application endorsed by the Focal Point of the NAM S&T Centre or the concerned Scientific Ministry / Government Agency in his/her country, if he / she wishes to receive the support of his / her air travel to-from Bremen, Germany. For name / address of the Focal Points please visit Centre's website www.namstct.org)

(Signature)

Name (in full):

Designation:

Date:

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Check List for Enclosures to be attached:

- i) Brief Bio-data (including professional and research experience and a list of papers published, if any).
 - ii) A write up on what qualifies you for the Fellowship Purpose of the Visit to ZMT.
 - iii) Plan of Work along with the title of the proposed work (~500 words).
 - iv) Consent letter from the Contact Person in ZMT, who has agreed for joint work with you or supervising your project, if available.
 - v) A copy of the relevant pages of the Passport
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