



## Call for short-term collaborations

May 2026

MultiCom invites applications for **short-term collaborations** (STCs) to support small-scale collaborative research activities within the network. Applications should be submitted by at least two PIs from different fields. Proposed projects should address questions related to multimodality/multimodal communication. Interdisciplinary collaborations across different disciplines, methods, and approaches are especially encouraged.

Funding of up to €800 per STC is available. Funding may be requested for activities including, but not limited to:

- experimental studies
- data collection
- student assistants (e.g. annotation support)
- video recordings
- workshops
- guest speakers
- travel and excursions
- other collaboration-related expenses

If you are unsure whether a planned expense is eligible, please contact Lennart Fritzsche ([fritzsche@em.uni-frankfurt.de](mailto:fritzsche@em.uni-frankfurt.de)).

### Application Requirements

Applications should include:

1. Project title
2. Short synopsis (2–3 sentences)
3. Project description (approx. 200–500 words)
4. Researchers involved + short biographies (2–3 sentences)
5. Requested budget and timeline
6. Keywords (3–5)

### Timeline

- Submission deadline: June 26, 2026
- Notification: July 1, 2026

Funded collaborations are expected to present the current state of their work at the next MultiCom workshop on November 20, 2026. As all costs and reimbursements associated with the STCs must be processed within the current calendar year, projects should be completed and reimbursement documents submitted by mid-November 2026.

### Submission

Please submit your application (in PDF format) to: [fritzsche@em.uni-frankfurt.de](mailto:fritzsche@em.uni-frankfurt.de)

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