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Asunto: **Frontiers: Host a Research Topic with Frontiers!**
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Dear Dr Matos,

Leading researchers are normally offered the opportunity to apply to the Specialty Chief Editor to host a Frontiers Research Topic. As a Review Editor in Frontiers in Mathematical Physics you are automatically offered this opportunity.

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Benefits to your Research Area:

Your Research Topic gets a dedicated Homepage on the Frontiers website, where all articles are accumulated and discussions can be easily held. In future versions of Frontiers, we will be able to update our Research Topic, initiative blogs, share data, initiate collaborations and more. Research Topic will also be compiled into an eBook for widespread dissemination to promote your research area - it will be sent to all major Foundations that fund your research, to Frontiers' network of international journalists, and to any list of organizations you propose. Frontiers is also constructing the state of art freely accessible multimedia research encyclopedia for release in 2013 that will synthesize the very latest research across all of academia into an easy readable, navigable and educational form. The Frontiers Research Encyclopedia will select all those highly successful Research Topics to define the research categories to be covered and work with you and your authors to create a concise presentation of your research area. It is really important that you are involved in shaping this knowledge base, which will provide a wonderful reference for educators, researchers, funders, the scholarly public, and policy makers. Frontiers is working to provide you with all the tools you need to support your research area and to make sure scientific discovery reaches all.

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The Frontiers Editorial Office shall assist you in every step of the organization. There are SIX key steps to hosting a Research Topic:

1. Defining the overall structure of the Research Topic (title, description, sections with a list of top colleagues that could participate in each section, potential titles of contributions of potential contributing authors, abstract and article submission deadlines);
2. Submitting the proposed Research Topic to the Specialty Chief Editor for approval (please note that this offer does not guarantee approval by the Specialty Chief Editor);
3. Inviting article proposals from your list of potential contributors (if approved by the Specialty Chief Editor);
4. Publish your Research Topic (your Research Topic will be announced on the website for spontaneous submission of article proposals);
5. Review article proposals (potential contributors must apply to participate in the Research Topic by submitting a title and abstract or brief description of the proposed article for your review);
6. Managing the review process for all contributions (your role will be similar to that of an Associate Editor; Research Topics are typically hosted by 2-4 topic editors).

It is important that Frontiers Review Editors host Research Topics if at all possible. This sets a high standard and the best example for your community. Please let the Frontiers Office know as soon as possible whether you can host a Research Topic so we can discuss with you the submission deadlines still available and help you prepare your proposal for to the Specialty Chief Editor.

As a Review Editor you can suggest your own Research Topic or a Research Topic hosted by someone else. You may find more details and create your own Research Topic by following this link:

<http://www.frontiersin.org/BuildSplTopicForRE.aspx>

(If clicking on this link does not work, try copying and pasting it directly into your browser window.)

For any questions, you may contact the Editorial Office directly at . A dedicated editorial assistant will be assigned to help you organize deadlines, invitations and monitor the review process.

We very much look forward to your reply.

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Best regards,

Your Frontiers in Physics team

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