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## Participate

**Scientists and researchers from the 36 COST Member States and the Cooperating State can participate in science and technology networks known as COST Actions by:**



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### Who can participate?

Participation is open to researchers:

- in universities, research centres, large and small, public and private organisations from all 36 [COST Member States](#) and its Cooperating State
- from any science and technology field
- at any career stage
- having any original, innovative idea

Particular emphasis is placed on the COST [“inclusiveness” countries](#) ensuring the aim of [widening participation](#).

Researchers from [Near Neighbour Countries](#) and [International Partner Countries](#) can also participate in a [COST Action](#) on the basis of ascertained mutual benefit.

You may refer to the [COST Implementation Rules](#) outlining conditions for participating in and setting up [COST Actions](#).

### COST Action Funding

The average [COST Action](#) budget depends on the number of [COST Member States](#) participating in the Action.

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### Relevant Documents

The documents below are intended for COST Action participants and for researchers interested in more information about the functioning of COST Actions.

The COST Implementation Rules provide the basic and general conditions for the implementation of COST Activities, with a specific focus on COST Actions.

The COST Vademecum provides the terms and conditions for the financing of COST Actions and other COST activities.

The COST Action Template Centre provides documents that COST Actions may use to report on their activities.

The Key documents are the official announcement of the COST Open Call and the Technical Annex, part of the COST Action proposal

### COST Implementation Rules

- ▶ [Action Proposal Submission Evaluation Selection and Approval \(PDF, 288 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [Rules for Participation in and Implementation of COST Activities \(PDF, 297 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [Action Management, Monitoring and Final Assessment \(PDF, 271 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [International Cooperation and Specific Organisations Participation \(PDF, 242 kB\)](#)

### Vademecum

- ▶ [COST Vademecum \(PDF, 602 kB\)](#)

### COST Action Template Centre

- ▶ [COST Grant Agreement Template \(PDF, 359 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [Monitoring Progress Report Template - MC Chair \(DOCX, 156 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [Monitoring Progress Review Template - Action Rapporteur \(DOCX, 122 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [Final Action Dissemination Grant request form \(DOCX, 182 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [e-COST Action Management Tool User Guide \(eCAMT\) \(PDF, 2 MB\)](#)

### Key Documents

- ▶ [Technical Annex \(DOCX, 176 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [COST Open Call - Submission, Evaluation, Selection and Approval \(SESA\) Guidelines \(PDF, 236 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [Guidelines for the Dissemination of COST Action Results and Outcomes \(1.1. GUIDELINES FOR THE DISSEMINATION AND EXPLOITATION OF COST ACTION RESULTS AND OUTCOMES.PDF, 3 MB\)](#)
- ▶ [Guidelines for Action Management,](#)

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