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Reciprocal Agreements with Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Argentina

Reciprocal agreements address researchers involved in COST Actions. They help European researchers and their counterparts in Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Argentina meet, learn from each other and explore opportunities for working together.

General Principles

- Only participants in COST Actions involving official participations from the reciprocal agreement countries are eligible to draw on these funds. Consult the [FAQ section](#) if you wish to join a COST Action.
- Reciprocal agreements enable RSTSMs - Short Term Scientific Missions under a Reciprocal Agreement.
- An RSTSM must last between a minimum of five days and a maximum of three months.
- The agreements cover travel and subsistence expenses to and within the host country.
- Specific details per agreement apply! Each of the implementing agents may have specific eligibility criteria and priorities – it is important that applicants check with their implementing agent (usually on the website) to understand these eligibility criteria and priorities

The application process...

for participants from COST Countries

- Read the relevant reciprocal agreement.
- Consult Section 9 of the [COST Vademecum](#). A statement from the Action Chair, a work plan and a budget breakdown will be required as well as the online STSM application form.
- Submit your application to your COST Office Science Officer.

for participants from Argentina

- Read the [reciprocal agreement](#).
- Contact the contact person listed on this page.

for participants from Australia

- Read the [reciprocal agreement](#).
- Follow the [procedure](#) from the Australian Academy of Science.

for participants from New Zealand

- Read the [reciprocal agreement](#).
- Follow the [procedure](#) from the Royal Society of New Zealand.

for participants from South Africa

- Read the [reciprocal agreement](#).
- Follow the [procedure](#) from ESASTAP.

Reciprocal Agreements

- ▶ [Argentina \(PDF, 1 MB\)](#)
- ▶ [Australia \(PDF, 33 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [New Zealand \(PDF, 1 MB\)](#)
- ▶ [South Africa \(PDF, 115 kB\)](#)
- ▶ [Fact Sheet - Reciprocal Agreements \(PDF, 214 kB\)](#)

Contact Information

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- ▶ For more information on the reciprocal agreements, please contact your Science Officer.

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Argentina - Examples

BMBS Action BM0806

- ▶ [Recent advances in histamine receptor H4R research](#)

FA Action FA0805

- ▶ [Goat-parasite interactions: from knowledge to control](#)

Australia - Examples

ICT Action 298

- ▶ [Participation in the Broadband Society](#)

ESSEM Action 731

- ▶ [Propagation of Uncertainty in Advanced](#)

New Zealand - Examples

BMBS Action BM0601

- ▶ Advanced Methods for the Estimation of Human Brain Activity and Connectivity (NEUROMATH)

FPS Action E45

- ▶ European Forest Externalities (EUROFOREX)

South Africa - Example

FA Action 929

- ▶ A European Network for Environmental and Food Virology

CMST Action CM0701

- ▶ Cascade Chemoenzymatic Processes – New Synergies Between Chemistry and Biochemistry

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