

COST - PROMOTING **AND SPREADING EXCELLENCE**

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European Cooperation in Science & Technology

COST provides networking opportunities for researchers and innovators to coordinate research activities and build capacity to address scientific, technological and societal challenges



ALL FIELDS OF S&T

(mono- or interdisciplinary, new and emerging fields)



ALL PARTNERS

(academia, public organisation, industry, NGO, International Organisations)



BOTTOM-UP APPROACH







ALL CAREER STAGES

(young and experienced researchers)



ALL COUNTRIES

- 41 COST Full Members
 + 1 Cooperating Member and +1 Partner Member
- Near Neighbour Countries
- Global cooperation



COST in Horizon Europe





Horizon Europe

Widening participation and strengthening the European Research Area pillar



COST activities

are implemented by the COST Association, under a Framework Partnership Agreement and Specific Grant Agreements with the European Commission



COST Actions

receive budget under Third Party Funding







COST Program





Open call with annual cut-off date – autumn 2025



COST Actions – currently almost 270 running open to welcome new partners



Ad-hoc activities – organized and announced individually by the COST Actions, open to participation following successful application directly to the Action



COST Actions

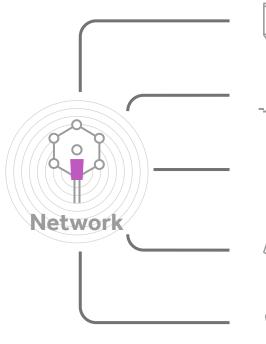
AN EFFICIENT NETWORKING TOOL

COST provides funding for networking:

- > research coordination
- > capacity building activities

COST is not funding research itself,

- > pooling resources
- > research results by networking





4 years

Min 7 countries, average participation 30 countries

Research coordination and capacity building activities

~ €600,000 over lifetime



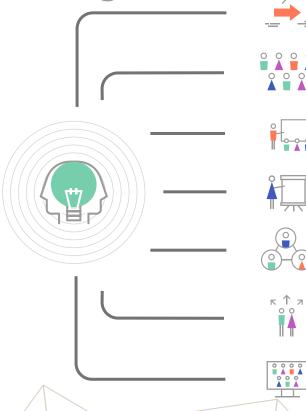


COST Networking tools

Research coordination

activities

& capacity building



Management Committee meetings

Working group meetings

Conferences/workshops

Training schools

Short-Term Scientific Missions

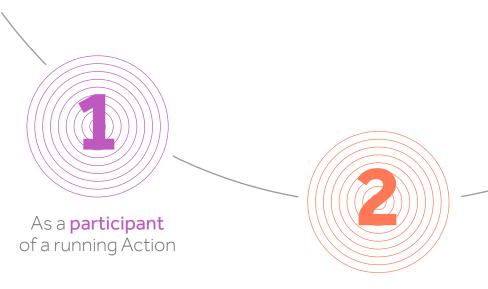
Presentations at Conferences







How to engage with COST?



As a member of the network of **proposers** of a new COST Action







2. As a secondary proposer of a new COST Action



COST OPEN CALL

One-stage online submission of proposals (e-COST)

Secondary proposer can join the proposing network

Proposal should focus on

S&T Excellence, Networking Excellence, Impact and Implementation Up to 60 COST Actions approved under oc-2025-1

Collection date:

21 October 2025 at 12:00 (noon) CEST

www.COST.eu opencall@cost.eu









As a **COST Expert**,

you will have the opportunity to

Contribute to the evaluation of COST Open Call proposals

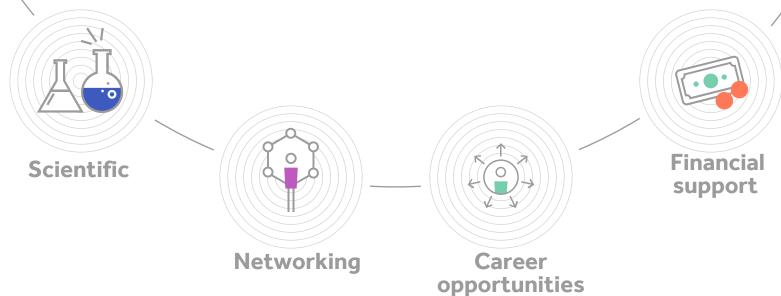


Participate in the assessment of Action results and outcomes



<u>Please register in the Data Base</u>

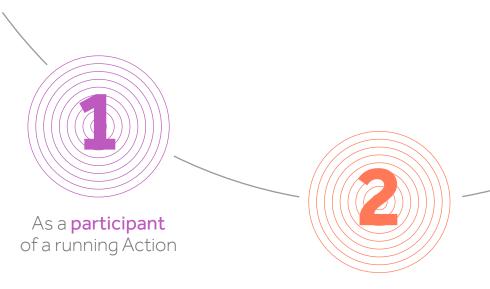








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As an **expert** to evaluate submitted proposals, to monitor Actions activities



Am I eligible?



COST Actions are open to all particleants, not only to COST full Members out also to poers from around the world. Find out what opportunities are available depending on your location.



AM I ELIGIBLE?



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What can I participate in?

COST Actions are open and inclusive. Our research networks are different to many other EU funded projects because it is possible to join and participate in a COST Action once it has started, even if you were not involved at proposal stage.

The country you selected is a COST Near Neighbour Country, you can participate in most COST Action activities.

Participation to a COST Action may take the form of a long-term participation, in which case you can join a network as a Working Group member.

Participation to a COST Action may also take the form of an ad-hoc participation in one of its networking tools, subject to invitation by the Action's Management Committee, that include:

- . Meetings, workshops and conferences organised by the Action
- · Training Schools
- · Short-Term Scientific Missions (STSMs)
- · Virtual Mobility Grants
- ITC Conference Grant*
- · Dissemination Conference Grant
- *ITC conference grants are also extended to Near Neighbour Country participants.

I'm under 40!

As you are under 40 you can also benefit from one of the Young Researcher and Innovator Conference Grants offered by a COST Action. This is a grant to help you attend beneficial international conferences that are not organised by the COST Action.



1. As a participant in a running Action (1/2)



FIND THE ACTION IN YOUR FIELD

of interest on the COST website



READ THE PROJECT PLAN (MoU) – identify your potential

contribution



BROWSE THE ACTION'S OWN WEBSITE

- check their activities



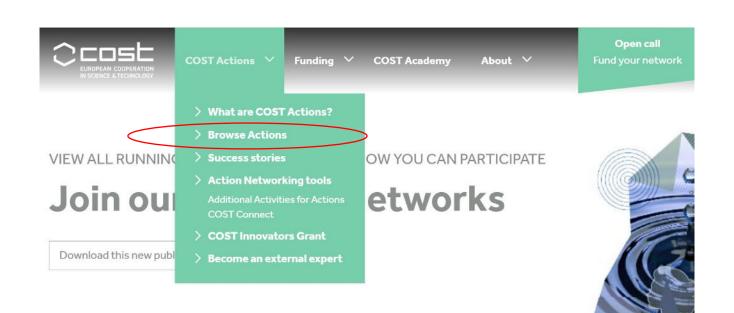
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to join the Action and the contact person





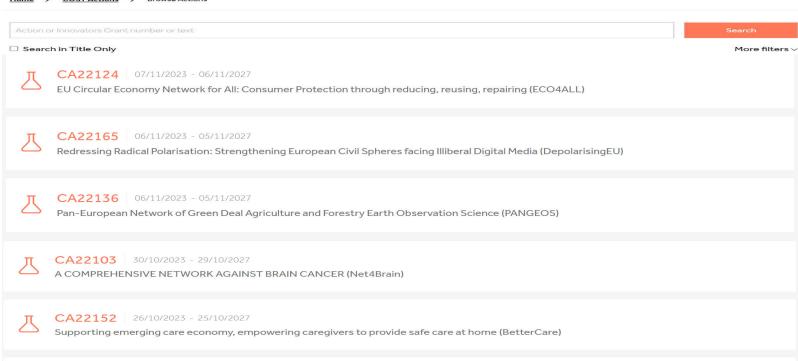














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Radionuclide theragnostics for personalised medicine (RATIONALE)

1. As a participant in a running Action (2/2)



AS A WORKING GROUP (WG) PARTICIPANT

(contact the WG leader)



AS A PARTICIPANT IN ACTION ACTIVITIES

short-term scientific mission, ITC conference grant, training school, workshop/conference,...

(check the Action's website, contact the chair or the national MC member)





Working group member

Working Group members are individuals with an affiliation to a legal entity <u>anywhere</u> in the world.

- The objectives of Working Groups (WG) are to perform the tasks required for a COST Action to fulfil its scientific objectives in line with those objectives defined in the MoU.
- > WG members shall actively participate to the WG activities and coordination of research efforts





Becoming a member of a Working Group (WG)

CA22128 - Establishing Networks to Implement the Principles on Effective Interviewing for Investigations (IMPLEMENDEZ)

A Downloads

Apply via the COST website - MC members as well

WG preference, Scientific Background, Motivation, WG contribution

Approved WG members will appear on the Action page of the COST website



Browse Actions > Establishing Networks to Implement the Principles on Effective Interviewing for Investigations (IMPLEMENDEZ)

Working Groups

Number	Title	Leader
1	Investigation, Interviewing, Interrogation Themes	TBA
2	Law, Human Rights, Criminal Justice Themes	TBA
3	Vulnerability Themes	TBA
4	Institutional and Governmental Leadership Themes	TBA

Express your interest to join any of the working groups by applying below.

It is required to have an e-COST profile to submit your application. If needed, <u>create it first</u> and then click 'Apply

Apply





MoU - 038/23

▲ CSO Approval date - 12/05/2023

Start date - 05/10/2023

End date - 04/10/2027

How can I participate?

- Read the Project Description MoU
- Inform the Main Proposer/Chair of your interest (email)
- Apply_to join your Working Groups of interest
- Please note, Management
 Committee nominations are
 carried out through the COST

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CA19144 - European Venom Network





Home > Browse Actions > European Venom Network

Description Management Committee Main Contacts and Leadership Working Groups and Membership

Working Groups

Number	Title	Leader
1	Novel targets in venom research	Dr Sebastien DUTERTRE 🗸
2	Best practices and innovative tools	Dr Bjoern VON REUMONT 🗸
3	Connection with industry	Dr Jan PROCHAZKA ∨
4	Web resources	Prof Agostinho ANTUNES ∨
5	Training	Prof Yehu MORAN V

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Action Details

MoU - 047/20

CSO Approval date - 24/03/2020

Start date - 06/10/2020

End date - 05/10/2024

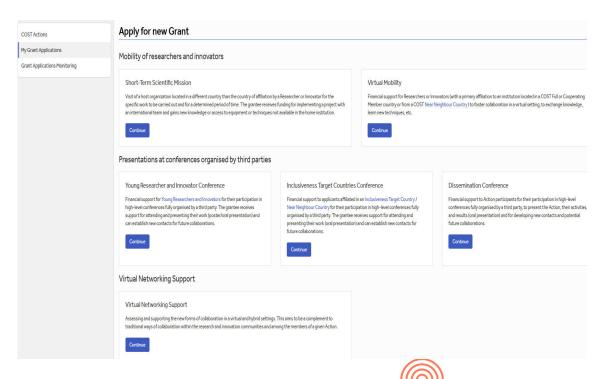
https://euven-network.eu/

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 <u>National Contact Points</u>

Participant in Action Grants

- Short-Term Scientific Mission (STSM)
- > ITC Conference Grant
- Young Researcher and Innovator Conference Grant
- Dissemination Conference Grant
- Virtual mobility







Relevant COST information materials



COST Actions booklet



Pocket guide including all running actions & info on COST.

COST corporate brochure





General presentation of the COST Programme

COST annual report 2023



COST corporate videos



<u>Link</u>

2023 highlights & COST Actions success stories.

Why join a COST Action

All available via: https://www.cost.eu/publications/





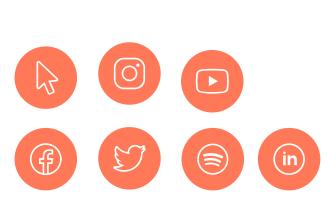
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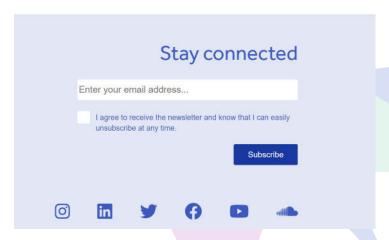




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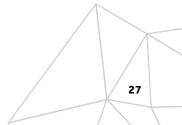


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THANK YOU!





















