A European flyway research network for the effective conservation of migrant landbirds (EUFLYNET)

COST Action number CA22117

Dissemination Conference Grants

One third of European breeding bird species are migrant birds that occur across the continent and winter in Africa, and most of these species are landbirds. Many species are in serious decline from several causes across the flyway. The EUFLYNET COST Action aims to understand these migrant landbird population dynamics and create a scientific network, through flyway level cooperation and coordination of existing local research throughout Europe, and training and sharing of expertise to peripheral countries. The Dissemination Conference grant aims to support an Action participant to present at a high-level conference fully organised by a third party (i.e., not organised or co-organised by the COST Action). The goals of this grant are to disseminate the work and results of the Action, to improve the Action and presenter's visibility within the community, and to attract additional participants and stakeholders to the Action.

Grant details and eligibility:

The EUFLYNET COST Action will award grants up to 1,000 euros each to support an oral presentation at a relevant in-person and international conference. The applicants must be participants of the COST Action. The conference and presented work must fit within the COST Action goals and must promote the Action's work and results. The conference must take place until 15th of September 2025.

What the grant covers:

The grant covers the registration fee, travel, accommodation, and subsistence expenses.

Reporting and claiming:

Once the conference has occurred, the grantee must submit a report describing the outcome of the presentation, in terms of the increase in the Action's visibility, the establishment of new contacts for future collaborations and attraction of new participators or stakeholders to the Action. The grantee must also submit the certificate of attendance, the programme of the conference or the book of abstracts of the conference (indicating the presentation of the grantee), and a copy of the given oral presentation. The report and relevant documentation must be uploaded to e-COST within 30 days after the end date of the activity. The grants are paid after the completion of the activity and approval of the report.

How to apply:

Applications should be submitted via the e-COST website, using the form template provided, until the 15th of January 2025. To create an e-COST account and apply, you must register here: https://e-services.cost.eu/user/registration/email

Guidelines on how to find the form in e-COST website are attached at the end of this document. Decisions will be made until the 31st of January 2025.
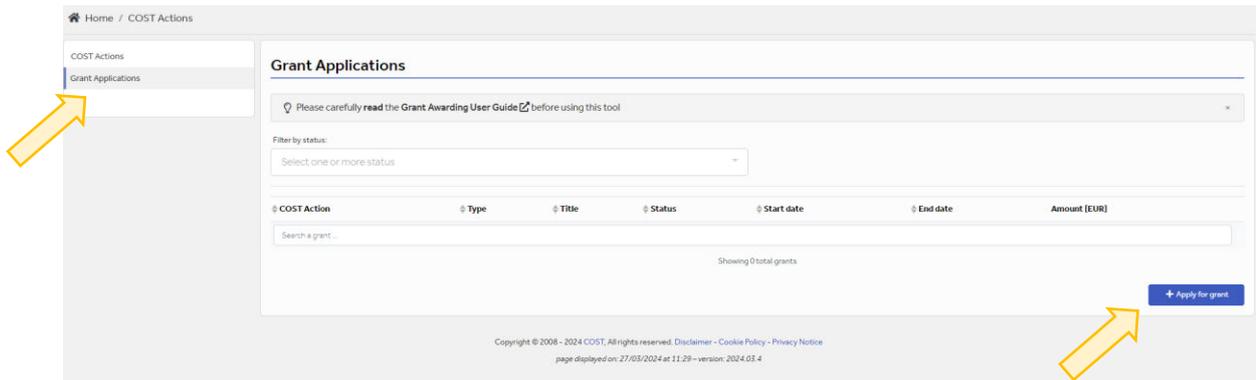
The application consists of:

- Title of the presentation
- Conference date and country (max. end date: 15th September 2025)
- Budget requested
- Application form (template at eCOST), describing:
  - Alignment with the Action Science Communication Plan (max. 500 words)
  - Expected impact to the COST Action (max. 500 words)
- Copy of the abstract of the accepted oral presentation focused on promoting the scientific achievements and activities being performed by the COST Action
- Acceptance (or invitation) letter from the conference organisers
- Short CV (max. 2 pages)

How to apply for a Dissemination Conference Grant

1. Register at e-COST website: https://e-services.cost.eu/user/registration/email

2. On the left menu, click "*COST Actions*" (below, in yellow)
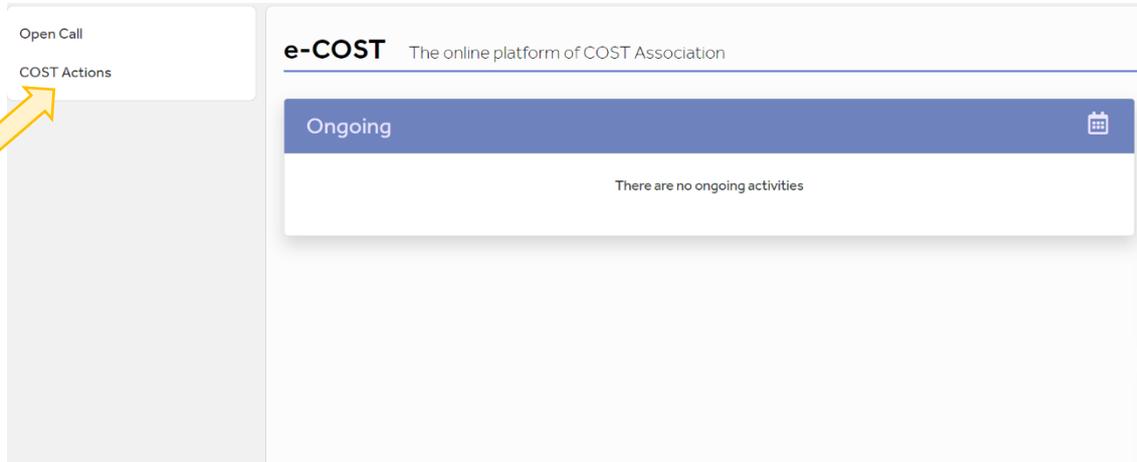
3. Select "*Grant Applications*" and "*Apply for grant*"

4. Select "*Dissemination Conference Grant*"

5. Fill out the form, upload the required documents, and remember to find the correct COST Action: **CA22117**