

Opportunities for people:

*networking, mobility, internationalisation,
career development and its consolidation*

HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN COST ACTIONS GENERAL GUIDELINES

FCT Fundação
para a Ciência
e a Tecnologia



ENTRY POINT

FCT WEBPAGE DEDICATED TO COST:

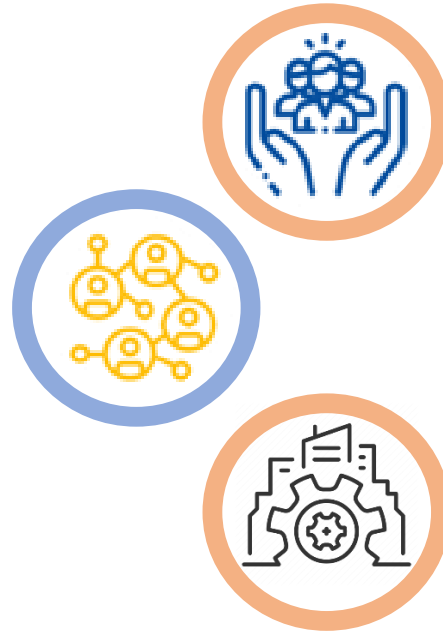
<https://www.fct.pt/en/internacional/espaco-europeu-de-investigacao/cost-european-cooperation-in-science-and-technology/>

**IMPORTANT NOTE: Matters related to COST,
USE ONLY THE EMAIL BOX cost@fct.pt.**

Do not send documents by mail.

List of all the National Contact Points in COST:

<https://www.cost.eu/who-we-are/whos-who/#tabs|Name:national-coordinators-cnc>



- Career development | Entry point to the ERA
 - Mobility | Internationalisation | Networking
 - Complementary to ongoing research
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- Attract and develop the best talents
 - Institutional visibility and networking
 - Joint initiatives and training



**Minimise the Fragmentation of
Knowledge**

**Maximise European Limited
Resources**

**High Quality
Research**

**Contribute to the Completion of the European Research
Area (ERA)**

Early Career Investigators

Gender Equality

Basic Research

Applied Research

Innovation



WHAT IS COST? A **pan-European** intergovernmental framework dedicated to **networking activities** for researchers, enabling them to **jointly** develop their **own ideas** and **new initiatives** across **all scientific disciplines** through **transnational coordination** of nationally funded research activities.

COST ADDED-VALUE? An opportunity for **young researchers**, a decisive step towards the **leadership in your scientific field**, a chance to create a **network to discuss cutting-edge research**. A steppingstone towards **other Horizon programmes**, instant access to **top quality researchers** and facilitated access to **premium labs and specific equipment** that may not be available at National Institutions.



Bottom-Up

Open Access

Inclusiveness

All fields of Science and Technology

**Interdisciplinary and
Emerging Fields**

Novel and Original Ideas

Innovative

All Partners

**Public or Private, Big or
Small**

All Career Stages

**Young and Senior
Investigators**

All Countries

**COST Neighbour Countries and
International Partner Countries**



Open spaces where you can grow

COST Networking Activities:

COST Actions (networks on a particular topic, collaborating across borders).

Other networking instruments are available for those participating (or not) in **COST Actions**.

INNOVATOR GRANT

ACADEMY

**CROSS CUTTING
ACTIVITIES**

CONNECT

**SUBMIT A
PROPOSAL FOR A
NEW COST
ACTION**

**EXPRESS
INTEREST IN
JOINING A
RUNNING COST
ACTION**



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Proposal

**Network of
Researchers and
Innovators**

**Complementary to
Ongoing Individual
R&I Projects**

**Breakthrough and
Cutting-Edge
Science and Technology**

Main Proposer

**Group of
Proposers**

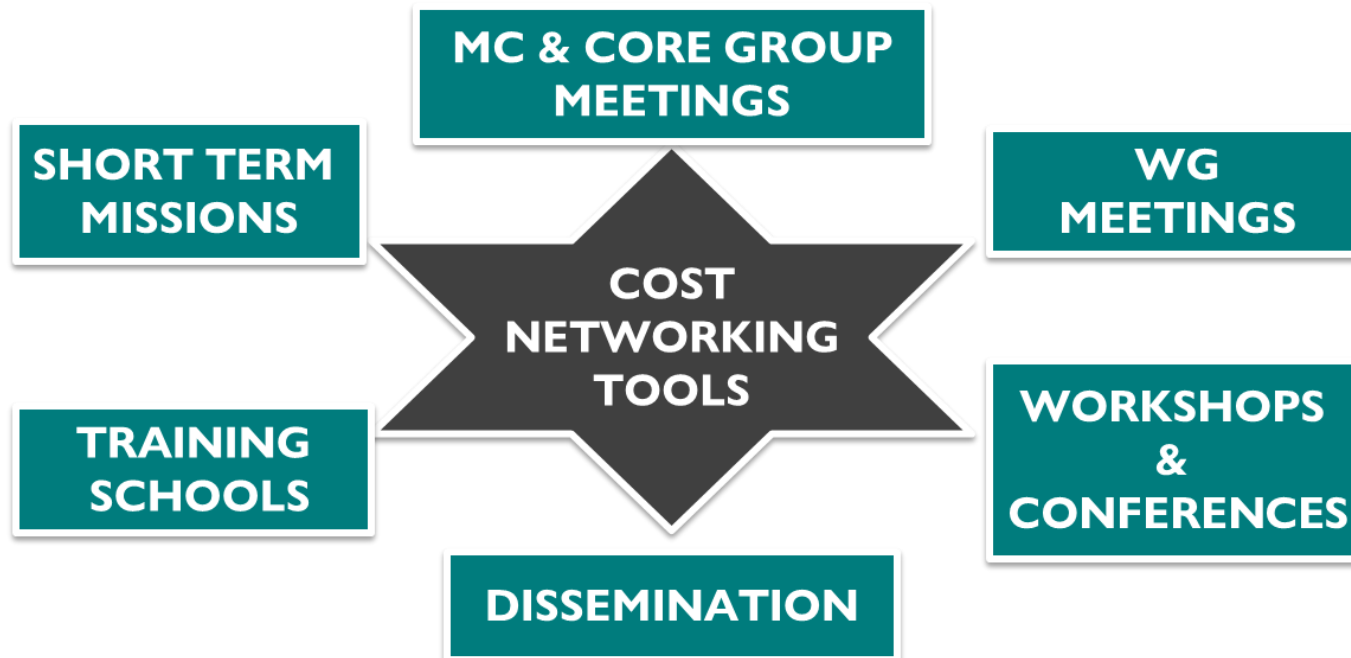
- Minimum of **7 COST Member Countries and Cooperating State (out of which 4 must be Inclusiveness Target Countries)**;
- COST is comprised of 39 COST Members out of which 22 are ITCs.
- **Example:** 5 people from 5 different institutions from 3 different COST Member Countries or Cooperating State means 3 countries. Israel counts as non-ITC.
- Activity Plan: **4 years duration**



OPEN CALL CALENDAR HERE:

<https://www.cost.eu/funding/open-call-a-simple-one-step-application-process/>

Activity Plan: 4 years to make use of COST tools



**COST DOES NOT FUND
HUMAN RESOURCES*, CONSUMABLES AND EQUIPMENT**



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IMPORTANT COMPLEMENTARY LINKS:

<https://www.cost.eu/cost-actions/how-to-participate/>

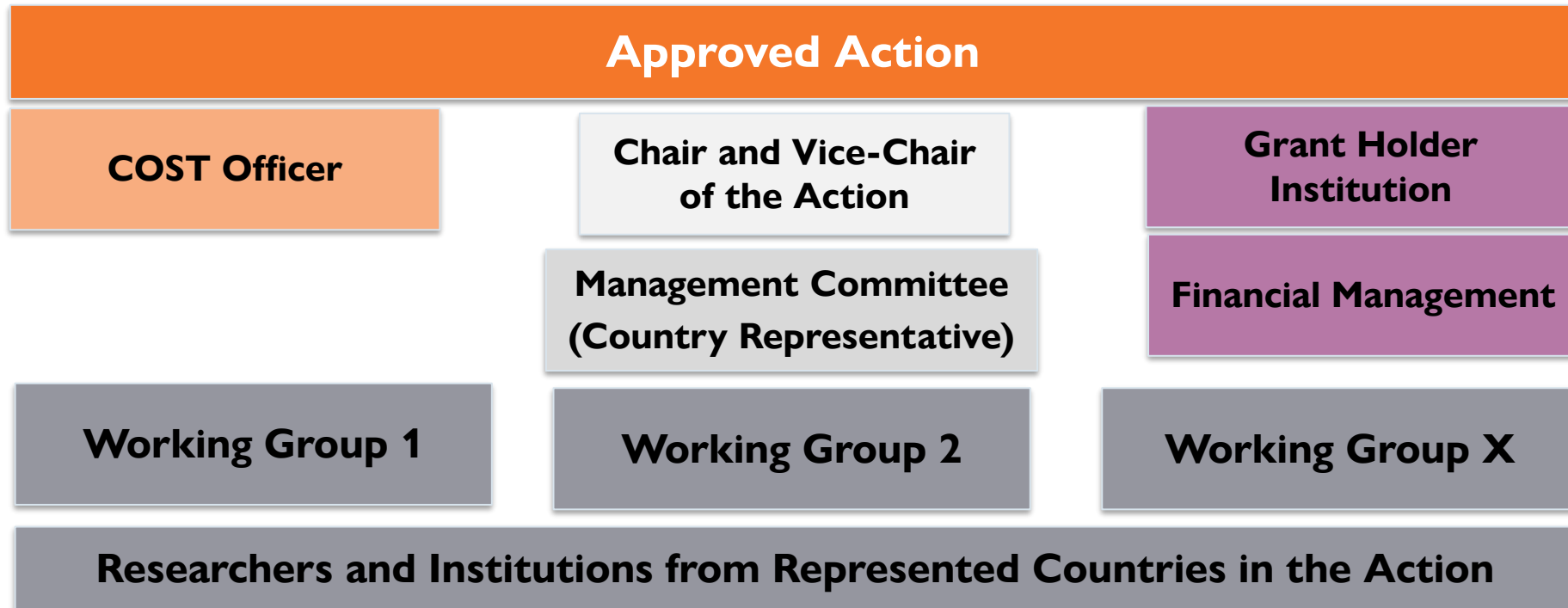
<https://www.cost.eu/funding/how-to-get-funding/documents-and-guidelines/>



**EXPRESS
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JOINING A
RUNNING COST
ACTION**

**Join a Running COST Action
Browse Actions:**

<https://www.cost.eu/cost-actions/browse-actions/>





1

SUBMIT A PROPOSAL FOR A NEW ACTION

Check the collection dates in the **COST** or **FCT** websites

2

**SUBMIT YOUR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO FCT TO BE PART OF THE
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF ANY RUNNING ACTION**

Check the **FCT** website regarding the type of documentation needed to
submit your expression of interest

3

**SUBMIT YOUR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ONLINE AND TO THE ACTION
CHAIR OR THE NATIONAL DELEGATES OF THE MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE OF ANY ACTION WITH PORTUGUESE PARTICIPATION TO BE
PART OF THE WORKING GROUPS**

Check the Memorandum of Understanding of the **COST** Action you are
interested in (<https://www.cost.eu/cost-actions/browse-actions/>) to evaluate
how you can contribute

How to join a new COST Action?

Visit the dedicated Action page on the COST website.

CA21102 - Toolkit of Care (TOC)

 Downloads

[Home](#) > [Browse Actions](#) > Toolkit of Care (TOC)

Description

Management Committee

Main Contacts and Leadership

Working Groups and Membership

To apply to join click on '**Apply to join your Working Groups of interest**'.

You will be redirected to **e-COST**, the online platform of COST Association. Login or register for an account if you don't have one and submit the simple form.

Your application will be reviewed by the Action's Management Committee once the Action starts.



[Home](#) > [COST Actions](#) > Browse Actions

Action or Innovators Grant number or text

Search

☐ Search in Title Only

More filters

In the '**Action Details**' section read the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to fully understand the aims of the new Action.

Identify the **Working Group(s)** you would like to be part of, as detailed in the MoU – Working Groups perform the tasks required by the Action to fulfill its objectives.

You may also want to contact the Main Proposer to discuss how you can contribute.

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Working Groups

Number	Title	Leader
1	SHARING CARE	TBA
2	CARE IN VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS	TBA
3	ANALYSIS, THEORY & POLITICS OF CARE	TBA
4	PUBLISHING AND ARCHIVING CARE	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, [create it first](#) and then click 'Apply'.

Apply

Home > Internacional > Espaço Europeu de Investigação > COST – European Cooperation in Science and Technology

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Legislação e Regulamentos

📄 Guião Geral de Apoio (PDF, 937 KB)

📄 Management_Committee_COST (ZIP, 184 KB)

📄 COST_Actions_Aprovadas (PDF, 419 KB)

Contactos

Agenda

24

MAI 2023

Online COST Info Day

Eventos

If you are interested in joining the **Management Committee** (MC) of a new Action please contact your [COST National Contact Point](#) (CNC).

The MC is responsible for the coordination, implementation and management of an Action. For each Action, up to two representatives per COST Member Country can be nominated to the MC.

<https://www.fct.pt/internacional/espaco-europeu-de-investigacao/cost-european-cooperation-in-science-and-technology/>

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Leadership

Role	Leader
Action Chair	Prof Fernando MARTÍN ✓
Action Vice Chair	Prof Francesca CALEGARI ✓
Grant Holder Scientific Representative	Prof Fernando MARTÍN ✓
Science Communication Coordinator	Dr Aurora PONZI ✓
WG1 Leader	Dr Caterina VOZZI ✓
WG2 Leader	Prof Ladislau NAGY ✓
WG3 Leader	Dr franck LEPINE ✓

Additional roles

Role	Leader
ITC CG Coordinator	Prof Ágnes VIBÓK ✓

Action documents

 Memorandum of Understanding

 Action Poster

 Action Brochure

 Second Progress Report

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Action Details

 MoU - 039/19

 CSO Approval date - 04/06/2019

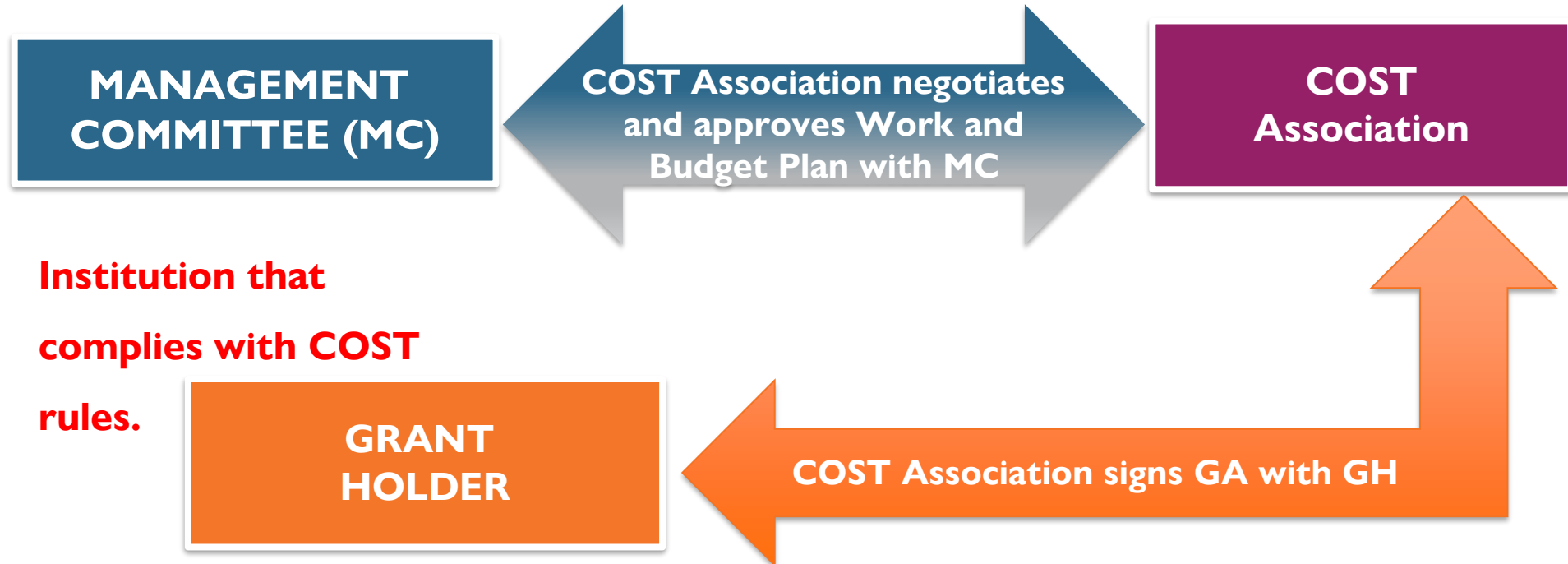
 Start date - 25/10/2019

 End date - 24/10/2023

 <http://www.attochem.eu/>

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 National Contact Points](#)





**FINANCIAL
ASPECTS**

**HOW DOES THE GRANT HOLDER
REIMBURSE PARTICIPANTS?**

Reimbursement is done against actual participation:

- ✓ Following predefined max amounts (COST Vademecum)
- ✓ Travel Expenses:
 - ✓ All participants in meetings,
 - ✓ Trainers in Training Schools
 - ✓ Travel, accommodation, meals and local transport
- ✓ Fixed Grant:
 - ✓ All participants in STMS
 - ✓ Trainees in Training Schools

DETAILED INFORMATION HERE:

<https://www.cost.eu/uploads/2021/07/COST-088-21-Level-A-Rules-and-Principles-for-COST-Activities.pdf>

<https://www.cost.eu/uploads/2022/12/COST-094-21-Annotated-Rules-for-COST-Actions-Level-C-V1.3.pdf>



**USEFUL AND
PRACTICAL
INFORMATION**



General Information

FCT webpage dedicated to COST contains all the essential information and guidelines to participate in COST activities:

<https://www.fct.pt/en/internacional/espaco-europeu-de-investigacao/cost-european-cooperation-in-science-and-technology/>

Videos & Tutorials

A important entry point for beginners and for all of those who would like to know how to participate in COST Activities.

Info Days organised by PT National Contact Points:

<https://educast.fccn.pt/vod/clips/599nv17f/streaming.html?locale=pt>

COST Youtube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/COSTOffice>



COST ACTIONS AND HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Links to understand what are COST Actions and the different ways you can participate in COST (links to slide 12 of this presentation)

<https://www.cost.eu/cost-actions/what-are-cost-actions/>

<https://www.cost.eu/cost-actions/how-to-participate/>



STRATEGIC DOCUMENTS

Understand the strategic framework of COST and its role in the European Research Area. It is completely bottom-up, but it is important to understand the political and strategic context

<https://www.cost.eu/who-we-are/mission-vision-and-values/>

<https://www.cost.eu/who-we-are/cost-strategy/>,

https://www.cost.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/COST_StrategicPlan_WEB.pdf

https://www.cost.eu/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/COST_Ministerial_Declaration.pdf

http://www.cost.eu/about_cost/strategy/excellence-inclusiveness

http://www.cost.eu/about_cost/strategy/international_cooperation

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/wp-call/2021-2022/wp-11-widening-participation-and-strengthening-the-european-research-area_horizon-2021-2022_en.pdf