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7th CALL FOR CONFERENCE GRANTS (2 CGs)
PERIOD MAY - SEPTEMBER 2022
Deadline for applications (**April 30th 2022**)

We are pleased to announce the opening of the 7th Call for Conference Grants of the COST Action CONTEXT (CA17107) (https://www.cost.eu/actions/CA17107) (https://e-services.cost.eu/files/domain_files/CA/Action_CA17107/mou/CA17107-e.pdf)

WHAT ARE CONFERENCE GRANTS?

Conference Grants are aimed at supporting Young Researchers and Innovators (< 40 years old) affiliated in an Inclusiveness Target Country/Near Neighbour Country for their participation in high level conferences.

COST Inclusiveness Target Countries (ITC): Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, North Macedonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Servia, Slovakia, Slovenia, and Turkey.

The applicant must make an oral/poster presentation at the conference in question and must be listed in the official event/conference programme. The main subject of the oral presentation / poster presentation / speech at the approved conference must be on the topic of the Action and must acknowledge COST.

The calculation of the financial contribution for each Conference Grant must respect the following criteria:

- Up to a maximum of EUR 800 in total can be afforded to each successful applicant.

- Up to a maximum of EUR 160 per day can be afforded for accommodation and meal expenses.

- Up to a maximum of EUR 500 can be claimed for the conference fees to be incurred by the selected Grantee.

The Grantee has 30 calendar days from the end date of the Conference in question to submit at e-cost the scientific report together with:

- Certificate of attendance
- Programme of the conference or book of abstracts / proceedings indicating the presentation
  (oral or poster)
- Copy of the given presentation (oral or poster)

The submission of the report is mandatory, or the Grant is cancelled. Late submission, beyond the deadline, can also lead to the cancellation of the Grant. A scientific report template is available on-line here: https://www.cost.eu/ITCConference_Report

To learn more about COST rules and about Conference Grants please check the Guidelines:
https://www.cost.eu/uploads/2021/12/Grant-Awarding-userguide.pdf/
https://www.cost.eu/uploads/2021/10/COST-094-21-Annotated-Rules-for-COST-Actions-Level-C-2021-11-01-1.pdf

DEADLINE AND APPLICATION

The regular call application is open from **March 5th 2022 to April 30th 2022**. The evaluation results will be communicated shortly after the submission.

The application must be submitted at least 20 days before the conference start date and it should take place until September 30th, 2022!

If you are interested in applying, please follow the procedure:

Encode a Conference Grant application by logging into e-COST and clicking on the ITC Conference Grants tab.

The application form contains the following sections:

- Applicant details

- Conference Grant details

- Bank details

- Financial support

- Supporting documents:

    - Your CV (including a list of academic publications - if applicable)
    - A short description of your involvement in this COST Action
    - ITC Conference grant application (based on e-COST template)
    - Copy of the abstract of the accepted oral or poster presentation
    - Acceptance letter from the conference organisers

The evaluation of applications will be performed by the Grant Awarding Coordinator.

The selection criteria will consider:

- The scientific scope of the conference contribution must clearly compliment the overall objectives of the Action.

- Oral contributions will be given priority over poster contributions.

- Attendance at European conferences is preferred, although conferences held elsewhere can also be considered.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate contact to us:
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