



# Sustainability@Leave

## CA21150

The Action aims to advance and disseminate research and knowledge about the significance of paid parental leave (PPL) for the social sustainability of societies. Our aim is to set the scene for future parental leave policy research from the new perspective of social sustainability while making the field more coherent across disciplines and beyond academia.

In five Working Groups (WGs) the Action focusses on the following:

- WG1 | Development of a theoretical framework
- WG2 | Identification of social inequalities through PPL policies
- WG3 | The relevance of PPL for child development
- WG4 | Provision of a future-oriented PPL terminology
- WG5 | Expansion of PPL data

### Funding opportunities within COST Action CA21150

#### Meetings, workshops and conferences

Meetings are organised by COST Action Management Committees (MC) in any COST Member State joining the network. They can be of different types, such as MC meetings, working group meetings, workshops and conferences. They may be open to the wider community and provide opportunities to enhance the COST Action's visibility. COST will contribute to the travel and subsistence costs of the invited participants, and to the cost of organising the meeting.

#### Short-term Scientific Missions (STSM)

Short-term Scientific Missions (STSMs) are exchange visits for researchers within their Action. This exchange programme facilitates individuals to spend up to six months at an institution based in a different country, which is also part of the Action. STSMs are great opportunities for researchers to share techniques and gain skills.

#### Training schools

Training schools are intensive coaching opportunities for Action participants that last for up to 15 days. Training is organised by each COST Action on a topic of their choice and held on the premises of a participating institution or organisation. Young researchers in particular typically benefit from the training school initiative, however study opportunities can also be offered more widely within the Action and can be useful for participants wishing to learn new skills or retrain.

#### Conference grants

These grants are aimed at young researchers and PhD students from Inclusive Target Countries (ITC) and help individuals attend beneficial international conferences that are not organised by COST Actions.

#### What is a COST Action?

A COST Action is an interdisciplinary research network, funded by the EU, that brings researchers and innovators together to investigate a topic of their choice for 4 years. COST Actions are typically made up of researchers from academia, SMEs, public institutions and other relevant organisations or interested parties. COST Actions offer an inclusive, pan-European environment for individuals of all levels of seniority to grow their professional research networks and boost their careers.



## COST Action Parental Leave Policies & Social Sustainability

Are you interested in participating in CA21150? On the COST Association website you will find all the information you need to apply for membership.



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