



Call for ITC Conference Grant & Conference Dissemination Grant Applications

March 2024

| General information

ITC Conference Grants are restricted to Young Researchers and Innovators (researchers under the age of forty) affiliated in an Inclusiveness Target Country / Near Neighbour Country to support participation in high-level conferences organized by a third party (see more in the [Annotated Rules for COST Actions](#)).

Conference Dissemination Grants are open for CA21150 members and serve to disseminate results that are directly related to the research conducted as part of CA21150.

| Dates

| Notifications: Within two weeks after upload of application

| Grants can start after 1 April 2024 and must be completed by 15 September 2024.

| How to apply

Please visit the e-cost Grant application website and upload the following:

| ITC Conference Grant

- ITC Conference grant application (based on e-COST template) describing: Relevance of the conference topic to the Action and Motivation describing the potential for impact on the applicant's career
- Copy of the abstract of the accepted oral or poster presentation
- Acceptance letter from the conference organisers

| Conference Dissemination Grant

- Dissemination conference grant application (based on e-COST template) describing: Alignment with the Science Communication Plan adopted by the COST Action and expected impact to the COST Action
- 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

For more information please contact the [Grant Awarding Coordinator](#).

| Evaluation criteria

Applications shall be reviewed by the CA21150 Core Group according to evaluation of relevance and impact on CA21150 dissemination plans & according to CA21150 policy plans.

| Information on Financial Support

A total of at least 1 ITC Conference Grant and 3 Conference Dissemination Grants can be funded. The grant is used to cover costs of conference fees, travel and subsistence. The financial support should be viewed as a contribution to the costs of the mission and may not cover all costs. This comprises:

- ITC Conference Grant: Up to a maximum of EUR 1 000 in total for participation in a face to face conference
- Dissemination Conference Grant: Up to a maximum of EUR 2 000 in total per Grant



What is an ITC Conference?

ITC Conference consists in a presentation of the own work given by a Young Researcher and Innovator affiliated in an Inclusiveness Target Country / Near Neighbour Country for their participation in high-level conferences fully organized by a third party, i.e. not organized nor co-organized by the COST Action.

ITC Conference

- Serve COST Excellence and Inclusiveness Policy;
- Support Young Researchers and Innovators affiliated in a legal entity in an Inclusiveness Target Countries/Near Neighbour Countries to establish a strong network and increase their visibility in the research community through sharing their work and to gain knowledge;
- Can contribute to increasing visibility of the Action.

ITC Conference benefit to:

- ITC Conference Grantee: receives support for attending and presenting their work (poster/oral presentation) at a conference and can establish new contacts for future collaborations.

What is a Dissemination Conference Grant?

Dissemination Conference consists in an oral presentation by an Action Participant of the work of the Action in highlevel conferences fully organized by a third party, i.e. not organized nor co-organized by the COST Action.

Dissemination Conference:

- Significantly increase visibility of the Action in the research community, can contribute to increasing visibility of the presenter;
- Attract additional participants and stakeholders and disseminate Action results to relevant end-users at high profile conferences in the field on a topic relevant to the Action.

Dissemination Conference benefit to:

- Dissemination Conference Grantee: receives support for attending and delivering an oral presentation of the Action, their activities, and results at a conference and for developing new contacts and potential future collaborations;
- COST Action: receives increased visibility and awareness, new contacts with potential stakeholders.