



STRENGTHENING EUROPEANS' CAPABILITIES BY ESTABLISHING THE EUROPEAN LITERACY NETWORK

COST ACTION IS1401ELN

ELN INCLUSIVENESS TARGET COUNTRIES CONFERENCE CALL

Applications are invited for Inclusiveness Target Countries Conference Grants (ITC Conference Grants). These grants are aimed to support PhD students and Early Career Investigators (ECIs) from Inclusiveness Countries that are currently participating in ELN to attend international science and technology related conferences).

ELN's current Inclusiveness Target Countries are Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Croatia, Hungary, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Republic of Serbia and Turkey

For this call, a total budget of 6.000€ has been allocated for up to 6 ITC grants. Expenses covered by the grant include: travel, accommodation, meals, local transports and up to 500€ for conference fees.

The grant period for this call is January 15th to April 14th, 2019.

Application deadline is January 7th

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Conference Grants are exclusively reserved for PhD students and ECI's with a primary affiliation in an institution located in an ELN ITC
2. The applicant must make an oral/poster presentation at the conference in question and must be listed in the official event/conference programme.
3. 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 (logos must be included in the presentation)
4. Attendance at European conferences is preferred. However, conferences held elsewhere can also be considered.

EVALUATION AND SELECTION OF APPLICANTS

Given that the applicant has met all the eligibility criteria listed above, the grants will be awarded on first come, first served basis. Attribution of ITC grants will also take in consideration gender balance.



HOW TO APPLY

Interested researchers are advised to follow the directions provided below and submit their application as soon as possible.

The application process is as follows:

1. Applicants need to register for an e-COST profile at <https://e-services.cost.eu/> adding their bank account details to their profile.
2. Applicants must complete, submit and download their ITC application and supporting documents online by choosing the Conference Grant option in their e-COST profile.
3. The supporting documents include:
 - a. a short description of involvement
 - b. acceptance letter from the conference organizers
 - c. a copy of the abstract submitted to the conference
 - d. documentary evidence of the conference fee
4. The Grantee has 30 calendar days from the end date of the Conference in question to submit a scientific report to the ITC coordinator (Freyja Birgisdóttir). Payment of the Grant is subject to the submitted scientific report being approved by ITC coordinator. The scientific report has to be sent to the Grant Holder (is1401eln@fpce.up.pt) and the ITC coordinator (freybi@hi.is) for archiving purposes. Failure to submit the scientific report within 30 days from the end date of the Conference will effectively cancel the grant.