GenEHumDi | CA21113 COST Action

Call for Inclusive Target Countries Conference Grants

GeneHumdi ITC grants:

Call for applications for Inclusive Target Countries Conference Grants CGs funded by the COST Action "Genome Editing to Treat Humans Diseases" (GenE-Humdi) CA21113.

These calls for applications aim at:

- Encourage the participation of Young Researchers and Innovators affiliated in an Inclusiveness Target Countries (ITCs) and Near Neighbour Countries (NNCs) for their participation presenting their work, in high-level conferences fully organized by a third party.
- To enhance the quality of science and research training in ITCs and NNCs

The maximum grant amount that a recipient can receive for attending an inperson conference is 2000 €. The Grant Awarding Committee of the Action will evaluate each application individually and assign a score based on two factors:

- The conference's context, sessions, and scientific topics and how they align with the Action's strategic priorities and objectives as outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU, <u>check it online</u>).
- The proposed paper, poster, or panel's relevance and contribution to the Action's strategic priorities and objectives as outlined in the MoU.

Guidelines for applicants:

- ✓ WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR A GRANT?
 - o PhD students, young researchers and innovators (under the age of 40) affiliated with an institution located in an Inclusiveness Target Countries: Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Croatia, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Lithuania, Latvia, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Republic of North Macedonia, Republic of Serbia, Türkiye and Ukraine) or Near Neighbour Countries (Annotated Rules for COST Actions)
 - The affiliation country of the candidate must be represented in the CA21113
 - Deadlines:
 Applicants need to have approval prior to the activities start.



 All activities need to be reported timely before end of October 2024 in order to secure the reimbursement.

✓ HOW TO APPLY FOR A GRANT?

- o Applications for grants are managed through the e-COST management tool. All applicants must have an e-COST profile.
- o Fill in the form in the e-COST system.
 - Title of the presentation
 - Conference title, date (within the active Grant Period) and country;
 - Budget requested;
 - Attendance Type
- o Upload supporting documentation.
 - Application form (template available on e-COST) 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;
 - •Commitment letter justifying how the conference participation will contribute to increasing visibility of CA21113.
- For additional information on the submission via the e-COST system, applicants may visit the <u>Grant Awarding User Guide</u>

The ITC Conference Grants of this Call will be available within the second Grant Period of the Action, i.e. 31 October 2024. CA2113 offers 5 ITC grants

✓ EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS:

The ITC CGs committee will review all ITC CGs applications. Please note that the committee reserves the right to grant an amount that is less than the requested sum.

After the selection process is finished, the Applicant will be notified of the outcomes through e-cost. This notification will include information about whether the request has been approved or not. If the application is approved, the Applicant will receive a Grant Letter that specifies the approved amount and the conditions that must be met to receive the grant.

Criteria utilized in awarding ITC CGs:

- **1.** How well the proposed presentation aligns with the GenE-Humdi Action Objectives.
- 2. The qualifications and experience of the researcher.
- **3.** How the presentation will contribute to the researcher's professional growth.



*Gender balance, the geographic coverage and distribution among different WGs of the proposed ITC CGs will be also considered.

Reporting and getting Paid

- Once the activity has ended, the grantee submits the required reports and relevant documentation in e-COST within 30 days after the end date of the activity or 15 days after the end of the Grant Period (whichever date comes first)
- The required report/documentation for claiming an ITC Conference Grant is:
 - a. Report to the action MC on the outcome of the presentation of the accepted contribution, in term of grantee visibility, including the establishment of new contacts for future collaboration.
 - b. The certificate of attendance
 - c. the programme of the conference or book of abstracts / proceedings indicating the presentation (oral or poster) of the grantee.
 - d. copy of the given presentation (oral or poster) including the acknowledgement to COST Action CA21113.

Once the Grant Awarding Coordinator approves the report, the grantees will obtain a notification that the grant can be offered, followed by the payment

Useful hyperlink and document file:

- o Application form
- o Reporting form
- o GenE-Humdi official webpage

Question and inquiries

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