



COST Action UV4growth ESR Newsletter
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COST Conference Grant

Dear All,

please note that the **first collection** date of **Conference Grants** available for Early Stage Researchers is 31st of January 2011. This is a date for Action Chairs to forward the applications of the best candidates to COST, so our deadline is even earlier, **28th of January 2011**.

As I wrote in an earlier email, ESRs (< PhD+8 years), can apply for a **max. 3000 euro** (per grant) to participate in an international conference outside the COST Action activities. The grant can be used **to cover travel and subsistence costs, conference fees, and the costs of conference workshops**. The Domain of Food and Agriculture will award three grants this year, so ESRs from our Action (FA0906) will compete with others from other actions. The Selection Process is handled during a Domain Committee meeting or by written procedure amongst the members of the Executive Group of the Domain Committee. Action Chairs send the applications of the best candidates.

Two more collection dates are expected this year. Although the next one is very close, I suggest that if you have an accepted presentation at a forthcoming conference, then you take advantage of this possibility.

In order to be eligible for the grant **an accepted oral communication or presentation is required** on a topic of food, animal or plant.

Information to be provided by the applicant:

- Personal data of applicant (Europass CV)
- Short description of involvement in the respective COST Action (300 words)
- Relevant data on Conference at which the applicant wants to participate
- Copy of Abstract submitted to the Conference
- Proof of acceptance of Abstract by the Conference
- Motivation letter

Would all applicants please **e-mail** the above documents to me (ehideg@brc.hu) and COST Action Chair Marcel Jansen (M.Jansen@ucc.ie) as attachments, **by noon (GMT) 28th of January (Friday) 2011**, cc: Sonia Monteiro (S.Monteiro@ucc.ie) writing "COST Conference Grant Application" in the subject field.

best wishes,

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STSM coordinator