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Young Researchers and
Innovators Forum

Opportunities from the
Network to support ideas and
activities





COST-ParAqua Missions and Policies

All COST activities are guided by a set of principles relating to **excellence**, which are based on :

OPENNESS and INCLUSIVENESS :

- Equal representation of geographical diversity, Safeguarding gender balance, Empowerment of young researchers in all activities and positions
- Open participation and Open Science

BOTTOM-UP APPROACH :

- Encourage taking responsibility for leadership and networking activities coordination
- Propose ideas on how to implement effective activities and achieve impactful objectives
- Foster participation and support for activities organisation, notably Young Members in ITC countries



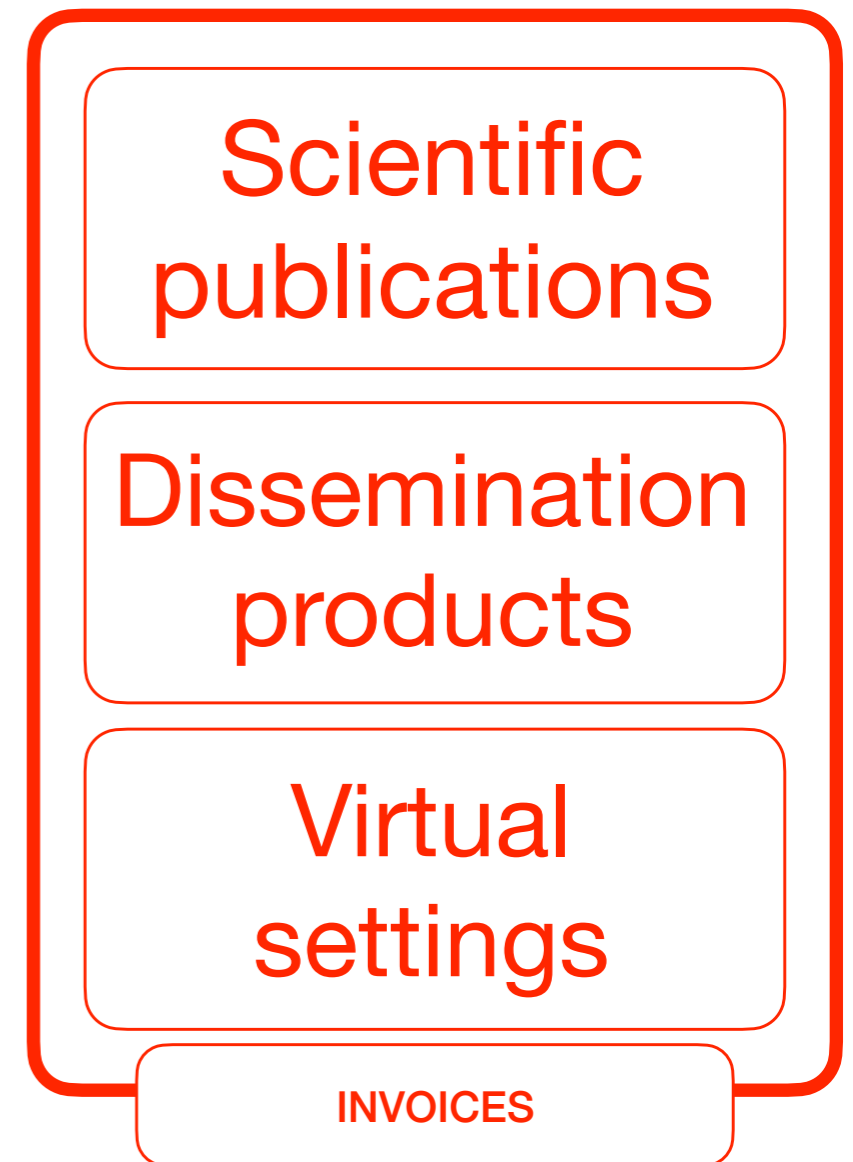
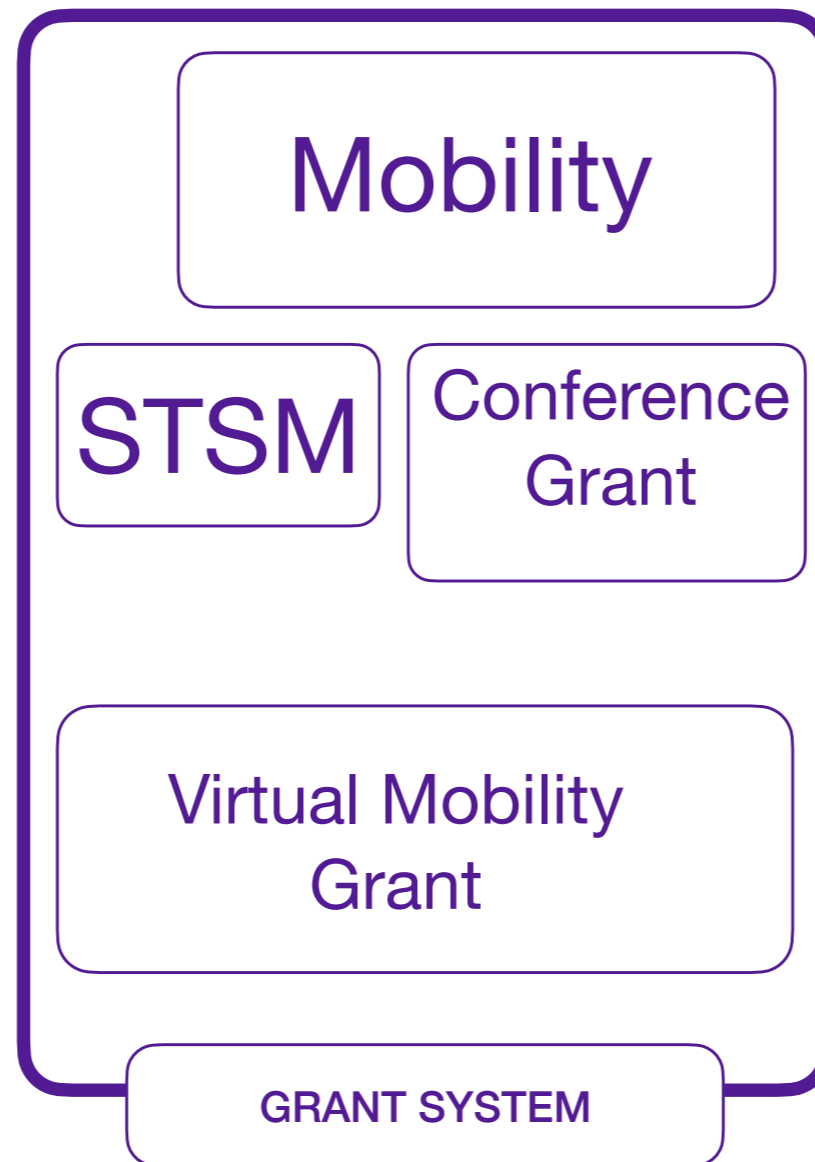
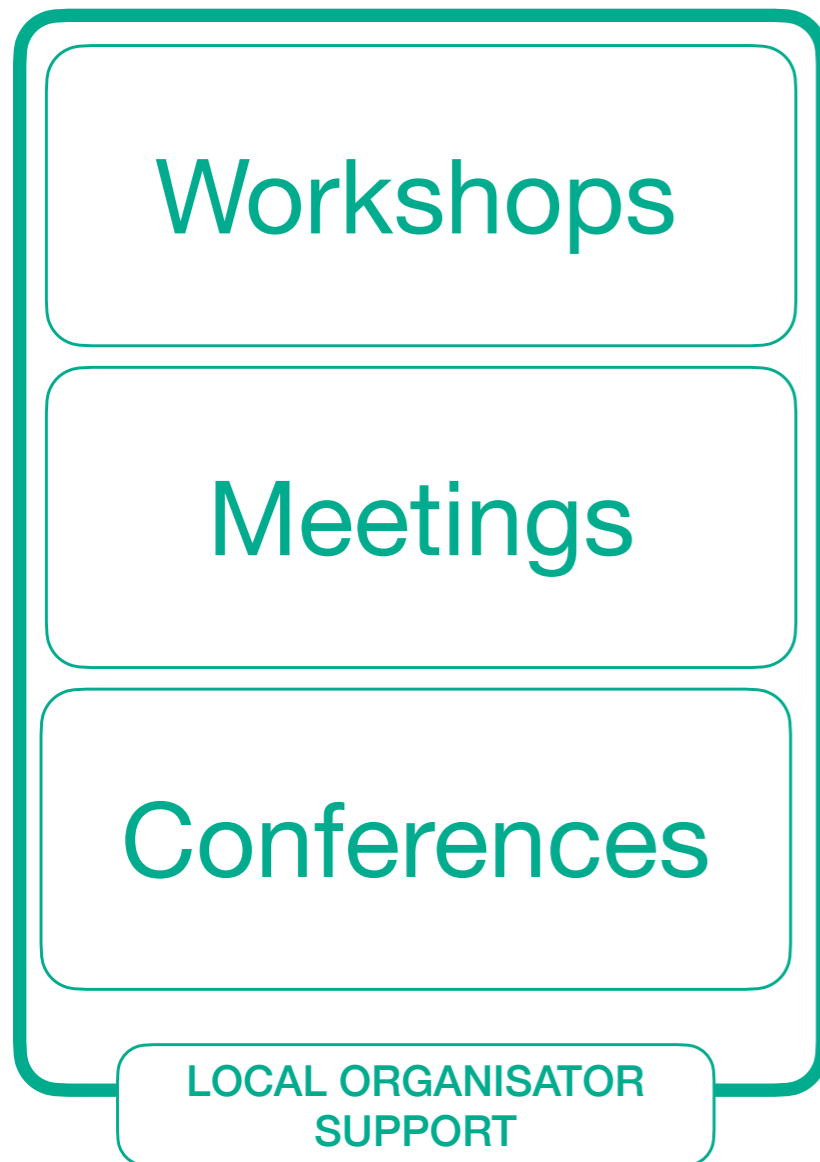
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What can be funded by COST?

Networking Activities

Expenses supporting the Network





Local Organisator Support

Financial support as a contribution to legal entities to cover eligible expenses carried out to organise Action networking event.

Exemple of networking events: Workshops, Conferences, Training Schools ...

Depending on the event LOS amount can vary from 350 up to 10000 Euro

The Local Organiser Support is paid on an invoice from your legal entity and is determined by:

- The format of the Action event (face-to-face, hybrid or virtual);
- The number of unique participants
- The duration of the event

More info on the website and Annotated Rules (including list of eligible legal entities and expenses eligible to be covered by the grant).

<https://paraqua-cost.eu/grants-open-calls/los-local-organiser-support/>



Grant System - Mobility

Mobility of researchers and innovators

Short Term Scientific Missions: visit of a host organization located in a different country than the country of affiliation of the participant.

Virtual Mobility: collaboration in a virtual setting among researchers or innovators within the COST Action, to exchange knowledge, learn new techniques, etc.

Presentations at external conferences

ITC Conference Presentation: Young Researchers and Innovators from an ITC or NNC to **present their own work** (poster/oral),

Dissemination Presentation: Action participants to present the Action, its activities, and results (oral presentation) at a high-level conference.

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- Grant Awarding process.
- To be evaluated by the MC

Max Amounts:

STSM: 4000 EUR

VM: 1500 EUR

ITC and Dissemination Conference: 2000 EUR
(500 EUR for virtual)

More info on the website and Annotated Rules - <https://paraqua-cost.eu/grants-open-calls/>

Some ideas of proposed topics: <https://paraqua-cost.eu/grants-open-calls/stsm/>



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Grant System - Virtual Mobility Grants

Provides financial support to foster collaboration in virtual settings

To coordinate (VNS) and implement (VM) exchanges and collaborations in virtual settings.

- Organise network virtual activities

Ex. webinars, virtual meetings and workshops, contribute to the Action blog...

- Exchange knowledge and disseminate the Action results

Ex. Coordinate scientific publications, posters, factsheets

- Prepare multimedia content to promote the Action and Disseminate results

Ex. Videos, flyers, content for social media and website...

Products are delivered within the Grant Period (a proof of delivery is required for each product).

The maximum cost per VM grant is 1500 Euro and per VNS is 4000 Euro

Some ideas of proposed topics: <https://paraqua-cost.eu/grants-open-calls/virtual-mobility/>



Dissemination products

- Scientific publications in Open Access (authored by Action participants from at least 3 COST Members/NNC OR 2 different COST Member if resulting from an STSM funded by the Action).
- Dissemination and Information materials (EX leaflet, brochures, flyers, infographics, Action poster, roll-up, training materials, reports (e.g. policy briefs, white papers, technical reports) - Material to be distributed in the frame of an external event
- Consumables and Shipping costs For use in Training Schools organised by the Action.
- Virtual communication and collaboration tools (digital networking) - EX. Zoom accounts for organising meetings and other virtual supports for events (EX. Spatial chat...) Up to 500 Euro per Grant Period.

Supported by invoices dated within the Grant Period and delivered within the Grant Period (a proof of delivery is required for each product). VAT not eligible



Opportunities for Leadership

Open Positions & opportunities

WG4 - Outreach and Dissemination

Main tasks: coordination of website
and scientific dissemination

Young Researchers and Innovators Forum Coordinator

**Contribute to organise the Action Writing Retreat - end
January 2024**



Jour Fixe to discuss your ideas with the Core Group

All time CET

06.11.2024 @ 16:00

04.12.2024 @ 10:00

08.01.2024 @ 16:00