



PIMo ITC Conference Grants GP2 Open Call

Deadline: December 5, 2020

Conditions of Grant:

- PIMo ITC Conference Grants are intended to support participation at conferences of **PhD Candidates and Early Career investigators (up to 8 years after PhD)** affiliated with an **institution of an Inclusiveness Target Country (ITC)** participating in the PIMo Action, namely:

COST ITC (Inclusiveness Target Countries)
Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Croatia, Hungary, Lithuania, Latvia, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Republic of North Macedonia, Republic of Serbia and Turkey
https://www.cost.eu/who-we-are/cost-strategy/excellence-and-inclusiveness/

- The applicant must be listed in the **official conference program** and **present a poster or (preferably) a paper on a topic related to the scope and goals of one of the four Work Groups of the PIMo Action**: (1) Things in Motion, (2) Ideas in Motion, (3) Paper in Motion, (4) People in Motion:
<http://www.peopleinmotion-costaction.org/workgroups/>
- On consideration of the ongoing and foreseeable COVID-related travel restrictions, PIMo ITC Conference Grants during Grant Period 2 will support participation at **conferences scheduled only between January 1, 2021 and early April, 2021.**
- ITC Conference Grants only cover **non-COST organized activities**; conferences, workshops, summer schools, etc. organized by COST are not eligible activities for these grants.
- **Applicants are to attach a 350-word abstract and a short CV to their application.**
- COST support must be acknowledged by successful candidates.



Financial details:

According to COST rules, **Conference Grants do not necessarily cover all expenses incurred in attending a given conference.** A maximum of EUR 1,000 can be granted to each successful applicant to cover costs including:

- **Travel expenses**
- **Accommodation and meal expenses** (up to EUR 160 per day). *When meal and accommodation expenses are supported by the host institution as part of the provisions offered in their conference package, the amount for subsistence afforded to each eligible participant must be deducted from the Grant.
- **Conference fees** (up to a maximum of EUR 500). Documentary evidence of the conference fee amount must be submitted to the Action's Grant Manager (denise.cuccia@unifi.it) by the applicant along with any other relevant administrative documents.

Selection criteria:

The evaluation of applications will be undertaken by PIMo's Core Group, on behalf of the Action's Management Committee. The selection of applicants is based on the following criteria:

- The **relevance of the conference from a scientific point of view**, and with respect to the Action's aims. The scientific scope of the conference contribution must clearly complement the overall objectives of the Action (up to 6 points).
- The **applicant's CV** (up to 3 points).
- **Papers will be given priority over poster contributions.**
- Attendance at **European conferences** is preferred, although conferences held elsewhere can also be considered.
- **Gender balance** will be pursued in the overall selection of applicants.

Deadline and notification:

Applications should be submitted via the COST platform **by December 5, 2020** (successful applicants will be advised on December 15, 2020): <https://e-services.cost.eu/user/login>.



Reporting requirements:

The Grantee has **30 calendar days from the end date of the Conference to submit (via the COST platform) a certificate of participation and a scientific report** to the ITC Conference Grant Coordinator and the Action's Grant Manager (denise.cuccia@unifi.it).

The report (maximum of two pages) should include any relevant discussion or feedback for the talk given by the Grantee as well as information on relevant talks attended at the conference.

Payment of the PIMo ITC Conference Grant is conditioned by the delivery of the certificate of participation, and the approval of the report by the ITC Conference Grant Coordinator.

Enquiries:

Please direct enquiries to the ITC Conference Grant Coordinator Dr Rocío G. Sumillera (sumillera@ugr.es)