



COST

Improvements to e-COST

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An Improved e-COST System

- A new release of e-COST is being implemented on 28 June 2013 and will be followed by the revised COST Vademecum
- The system has been improved in order to better enforce rules already in place, as well as reflect a number of revised rules now applicable to COST Actions Management Committees and COST Action Participants
- This released will be accompanied by 3 “how to” guide explaining in detail the new functionalities.

Meetings

- The “Joint meeting” functionality has been improved. Co-located meetings are now easier to manage.
- The participation and eligibility of participants per meeting type is now automatically defined according to COST Rules.
- Changes will not affect meetings already created and will not affect participants already invited before the new release.



Online Travel Reimbursement Request (OTRR)



- Expense categories have been reorganised, allowing easier encoding by participants and easier review by Grant Holders
- OTRR modifications are now applicable both for meeting participants and trainers
- The improvements apply immediately for all participants who haven't submitted their OTRR by 28 June 2013



Local Organiser Support

- The application process has been redesigned and simplified
- Online pre-approval and post-approval by the MC Chair/ Vice Chair is now possible
- Grant Letters and Payment Request Forms, including breakdowns of expenses and invoices, can now be processed online
- The new process applies as of the date of the release
- For on-going claims/requests, the system will automatically redirect you to the corresponding step of the new process
- No change in term of the eligibility of expenses



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Any questions?

Please contact the
Administrative Officer in
charge of the Action

Thank you!