



Candidature for membership of the COST Scientific Committee.

COST is an intergovernmental framework for European Cooperation in Science and Technology, allowing the coordination of nationally-funded research projects on a European level. This is achieved through the COST Actions which are a flexible bottom-up networking instrument for researchers to cooperate and to jointly develop their own ideas in any science and technology field. The COST programme is funded by the European Commission through a Framework Partnership Agreement (FPA) along Horizon 2020.

Through this FPA, COST has entered a new period under Horizon 2020, and aims to better address the needs of the European scientific community. In this spirit COST has just revised its evaluation and selection procedure for COST Action proposals as well as decided to establish and configure the COST Scientific Committee (SC).

The Scientific Committee will be composed of 36 high-level experts (one from each COST Member Country and 1 from Cooperating State) with international renowned expertise and recognized merit in their professional career (science, technology, research management, innovation, industry or other).

Please note that COST expects this position to be honorary but travel and accommodation expenses and daily allowance will be reimbursed by COST.

The estimation of work time to serve as SC Member is 10 working days/year. If you are interested please bear in mind that before submitting your candidature¹ you should kindly ensure your availability. If your candidature is selected you will be informed by the end of February 2015.

Please find below further information on the Scientific Committee profile/competences responsibilities, terms of reference and selection procedure.

I would like to thank you in advance for your interest in serving as a member of the COST Scientific Committee.

Yours sincerely,

COST Committee of Senior Officials

¹ by filling in the attached CV template



Information for the Scientific Committee candidates

1. Scientific Committee composition

- Active scientists with a broader view about the European and international research landscape, and/or;
- Experienced with evaluation procedures and/or evaluation of research programmes, preferably at European but also global level, and/or;
- Broad comprehension of S&T strategies and/or foresight at national or European level and/or;
- Knowledge in impact analysis.

2. SC Responsibilities

The SC will have the following main responsibilities:

- Ensuring overall supervision and quality control of procedures for:
 - evaluation and selection of proposals
 - monitoring and final assessment of COST Actions
- Global analysis of the outcomes and impact of ended Actions
- Acting as the scientific and technological advisor for COST

3. For more information please see the Term of references and the Selection procedure for Scientific Committee
