STSM Grant	Providing a contribution for travelling, accommodation and subsistence expenses, implementation of the project, delivery of the report to the COST Action MC and overall effort.	Up to EUR 4 000,00 per grant
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Short-Term Scientific Missions benefit to the Action:

 Support capacity building and transfer of knowledge through bilateral/multilateral collaborations;

• Support specific / general topic that can help achieving the Action MoU objectives and deliverables (research coordination);

• Are very flexible and inclusive networking activities crucial to establish new collaborations or reinforce existing collaborations across disciplines and different sectors (e.g., academia and industry / SMEs) with possible impact on career development;

• Outcomes (e.g. spin-off publications and (funded) projects) contribute to the visibility and impact of the COST Actions, encouraging other researchers to join.

Short-Term Scientific Missions benefit to:

• **STSM Grantee:** receives funding for implementing a project with an international team and gains new knowledge or access to equipment or techniques not available in the home institution;

• **STSM Host:** receives an international partner in their institution and can develop long lasting collaboration.

Basic rules:

- STSM grants are announced via an Open call and can be generic in focus or focused on a topic relevant for the Action;
- The call is written by the Grant Awarding coordinator, GHM and WG4 members
- Applicants can contact a prospective host themselves, potential hosts can reach out to the Action or prospective grantees before and during Call opening;
- a visit to a host organization **located in a different country** than the country of affiliation by a researcher or innovator for specific work to be carried out ;
- a specified, limited duration (2 to 3 months is a common period);
- the STSM applicant submits a project and grant amount, the Grant Awarding Coordinator and MC decide if the project fits the above benefits and if the amount requested is fitting with the duration and location of the mission