

CA21145 EURESTOP – Other Grants in Grant Period 3 (GP3)

IMPORTANT NOTE: GP3 ends in 31/10/2025

CALL TEXT

The CA21145 EURESTOP Action is pleased to invite applications for financial support to researchers and innovators through **three types of grants**, each aimed at enhancing scientific dissemination and fostering collaboration within the framework of EURESTOP.

- ITC Conference Grant – Provides funding for Action Participants affiliated with a legal entity in an Inclusiveness Target Country or Near Neighbour Country to present their own work in an **oral presentation** at a high-level conference that is fully organized by a third party (i.e., not organized or co-organized by the COST Action).
- YRI Conference Grant – Provides funding for Young Researchers and Innovators (YRI) to present their own work (**poster or oral presentation**) at a high-level conference that is fully organized by a third party (i.e., not organized or co-organized by the COST Action).
- Support for Open Access Publications – Partially funds Open Access fees for scientific publications, proofreading, editing, translation, and layout expenses.

Budget and Timeline

A total budget of **9500 €** has been allocated to finance the three grant types listed above. The breakdown is as follows:

- **ITC Conference Grants = 2500 €** (approximately **4 grants of 625 €** each)
- **YRI Conference Grants = 2800 €** (approximately **4 grants of 700 €** each)
- **Open Access publications = 4200 €** (approximately **2 grants of 2100 €** each)

Approved grants **must be completed by October 1st, 2025**. Any derogation to this date won't be accepted, and the respective grants won't be reimbursed.

Specific eligibility and selection criteria

The selection of applications will be based on the following **general criteria** (in order of importance) which apply to all grants:

- First come, first served;
- Have not already received a grant within EURESTOP;

- The applicant is involved in the Action.

The **specific criteria** for each grant type are listed below.

> **ITC Conference Grants:**

- International dimension of the Conference;
- Coherence of the Conference with EURESTOP objectives;
- Coherence of the accepted talk with EURESTOP objectives;
- Conference fees.

> **YRI conference grants:**

- Applications for an accepted oral presentation will be prioritized over poster presentations;
- International dimension of the Conference;
- Coherence of the Conference with EURESTOP objectives;
- Coherence of the accepted abstract with EURESTOP objectives;
- Conference fees.

> **Open Access Publications:**

- Research articles will be prioritized over review articles, editorial notes, and other types of dissemination materials.
- Impact factor of the journal;
- Corresponding author involved in EURESTOP;
- Coherence of the article with EURESTOP objectives.

Application procedure

ITC Conference Grants / YRI Conference Grants

Applications must be **submitted online through eCOST** starting on March 17th, 2025.

Note: Applicants for conference grants may not apply for different types of conference grants in the same period.

Open Access Publication

Applications must be **submitted ONLY via email to info@eurestop.eu** with the following documentation:

- If accepted (or in press, but not yet published): Final accepted manuscript in PDF format + proof of acceptance from the publisher.
- If already published: Final publication in PDF format.

REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURE

Expenses will be reimbursed through the **Grant Holder**, which is the **University of Siena (UNISI)**. To proceed, applicants must have an **Italian fiscal code**. If an applicant does not have one, the University of Siena will request and provide a fiscal code at no cost.

To complete the reimbursement procedure, applicants must upload and/or submit the **required documentation** as specified for each grant type below.

> ITC Conference Grants:

To claim an ITC Conference Grant, the following documentation is required:

- A report to the Action MC on the outcome of the presentation of the accepted contribution, in terms of grantee's visibility, including the establishment of new contacts for future collaborations;
- Certificate of attendance;
- Conference program or book of abstracts/proceedings indicating the presentation (oral or poster) of the grantee;
- Copy of the delivered oral presentation.

> YRI Conference Grants

To claim a YRI Conference Grant, the following documentation is required:

- A report to the Action MC on the outcome of the presentation of the accepted contribution, in terms of grantee's visibility, including the establishment of new contacts for future collaborations;
- Certificate of attendance;
- Conference program or book of abstracts/proceedings indicating the presentation (oral or poster) of the grantee;
- Copy of the given presentation (oral or poster).

> Open Access Publication support

Important: Do not make any payments in advance. The journal must send an invoice to the Grant Holder. Reimbursement for payments already made by an EURESTOP member is not possible.

NOTE

Before applying, please carefully read the most updated version of the COST Annotated Rules ([COST-094-21-V2.0-Annotated-Rules-for-COST-Actions-Level-C.pdf](#)) available on the COST website (www.cost.eu) concerning STSMs, definitions, obligations, and the reimbursement policies. For further information, visit www.eurestop.eu ([Reimbursement Rules - EURESTOP](#)) or contact info@eurestop.eu.