



Action 869

Mitigation options for nutrient reduction in surface water and groundwaters

Final Management Committee Meeting
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News from COST

COST Open Call of March, 2011 – oc-2011-1: Three new FA Actions were approved

- **FA1103 | Endophytes in Biotechnology and Agriculture**
- **FA1102 | Optimising and standardising non-destructive imaging and spectroscopic methods to improve the determination of body composition and meat quality in farm animals Acronym: FAIM**
- **FA1101 | Omics Technologies for Crop Improvement, Traceability, Determination of Authenticity, Adulteration and Origin in Saffron**

Note: COST Actions approved by the CSO are on the COST website http://www.cost.eu/domains_actions

COST Open Call

- **September 2011 Open Call closed off 30/09 17:00**
 - Total 555 proposals received
 - FA 63 proposals
 - 12/10 Eligibility check and Allocation to DCs
 - 25/11 Invitation full proposals
- **Next Open Call closing date March 30, 2012**
- **Open call is 3 step procedure:**
 - Submission preliminary proposal (3 pages)
 - Submission full proposal
 - Presentation full proposal to DC
- **More Information:**
http://www.cost.esf.org/participate/open_call
- **To submit a proposal:** <http://w3.cost.eu/?id=1733>



COST Action 869

■ Action Details

- CSO approval: 29/03/2006
- Start of Action: 07/11/2006
- End of Action: 06/11/2006
- Chair: Dr. Wim Chardon (NL)
- Vice Chair: Prof. Louise Heathwaite (UK)
- DC Rapporteur: Prof. Zoltan Györi (HU)

■ Parties

- 29 COST countries (AT, BE, BG, CZ, DK, EE, FI, FR, DE, EL, HU, IE, IL, IT, LV, LT, LU, NL, NO, PL, PT, RO, SK, SL, ES, CH, TR, UK)
- Non COST Institutions: 2 of NZ

Action activities

- Budget 2006-2011: 517392.9 € over 4 years

<u>Activity P/Go</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Meetings:	17	296306.9
STSM:	4	2486
WS Support (LOS):	4	9600
GASG:	4	8000
Training Schools:	0	0
Honoraria:	2	1000
Grant:	2	200000
<u>Activity CGS</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Meetings:	3 + 2	79732.87 + 82200
STSM:	5 + 1	5600 + 1100
WS (LOS):	2 + 1	5124 + 3000
Training Schools:	0	0
Dissemination:	1	13000 (forecasted)
FSAC:	2	5000 + 8000 (forecasted)



Ending COST Action 869

- Final Conference & MC Meeting
- Final Scientific Report
 - At least 4 months after the end of an Action, final Scientific Report (Section II) prepared by the Action Chair (cumulative Monitoring Progress Report) using *Final Report template*
<http://www.cost.eu/participate/guidelines>
- Annual Report
 - Within 1 month of the end date submit ~500 word description of the ended Action for the COST Annual Report
 - For examples see http://www.cost.eu/about_cost



Evaluation objectives

- How well did the Action reach its stated objectives?
- Impacts on R&D activities in the area of the Action
- Dissemination and exploitation of results
- Initiation of any follow-up/future activities
- Evaluation of both scientific added value and coordination/management aspects



Evaluation process

- Establishment of **Evaluation Panel (MC Chair, DC Rapporteur, External Evaluator)**
- Arrangement of **final workshop/conference**, Rapporteur and external expert attending
- Submission of **Final Scientific Report** by MC chair
- **Evaluation Report**, prepared by Evaluation Panel, Rapporteur is editor and will submit the report to the FA Domain Committee
- **Final evaluation** by the DC: presentation by Rapporteur, approval by DC, publication on COST website
- Summary of main results of the Action will be included the by the COST Office in the **COST Annual Report**



Evaluation panel

- Evaluation Panel (EP): appointed by the COST Office:
 - DC Rapporteur: Zoltan Györi
 - Experts: Poul Nordemann Jensen



Final Evaluation Report

- **I. Management Report** prepared by the COST Office/Grant Holder
- **II. Scientific Report** prepared by the Chair of the Management Committee of the Action
- **III. Evaluation Report** prepared by the “ad hoc” Evaluation Panel established by the Domain Committee and edited by the Rapporteur
- **IV. DC Remarks** prepared by the Domain Committee

Template: <http://www.cost.eu/participate/guidelines>



III. Evaluation Report

1. Evaluation panel and evaluation procedures
2. Results versus objectives
3. Innovative networking
4. Inter-disciplinary networking
5. New networking
6. Coordination and management
7. Strengths and weaknesses



Annual Progress Conference

- The Action Chair of 869 will be invited to showcase the Action; what has been achieved during the last 4 years.
- The next DC FA APC Meeting will be in Glasgow on the 27-28-29 June, 2012

Action 869 Final Publication

COST Actions are encouraged to have a final publication, funded directly from the COST Office Budget (typically up to 10000€)

The final publication can be a

- special issue in a journal,
- review or
- Book

Procedure to follow

- the Action includes a request for a final Action publication in the budget plan of its final year;
- the Action Chair/MC submits a specific request for a final Action publication to the COST Office (Science Officer) no later than 6 months before the official end date of the Action.
- the Action Chair/MC ensures that the invoice for the Final Action Publication will reach the COST Office no later than 12 months after the official end date of the Action.



Thank you
