

'SCIENCE FOR POLICY' WORKSHOP FOR COST ACTIONS

27 JUNE 2023

AGENDA

09.00	Networking coffee
09.15	Welcome by Dr Ronald de Bruin
09.20	Ice-breaker exercise <i>Participants will be invited to join a short ice-breaker exercise to get to know each other.</i>
09.30	Science for Policy activities at COST <i>Judith Litjens, COST Policy Officer, will present:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>COST's policy brief 'Actions to Actions': Overview of key insights, challenges, and successful examples of policy impact, shared by 10 COST Actions in this policy brief;</i> • <i>COST S4P web page;</i> • <i>COST S4P Basecamp community.</i>
09.45	JRC Competence frameworks for policymakers and researchers <i>Lene Topp, Science for Policy expert</i> <i>Achieving policy impact requires a distinct set of 'Science4Policy' competences. Discover the new 'Science4Policy' Competence Framework and why it is essential knowledge for researchers and research organisations working at the science-policy interface.</i>

10.15	<p>Science to Policy interface – How to achieve meaningful impact?</p> <p><i>This session will be led by ‘Science for Change’ expert Gemma Rodríguez.</i></p> <p><i>The interface of science-to-policy involves the evaluation of science, science communication, understanding policy-making processes, and knowledge of the interaction between different paradigms and ecosystems in which scientists and policymakers operate.</i></p> <p><i>Based on the ‘Science for Policy’ Competence framework for researchers designed by the European Commission’s Joint Research Centre (JRC), this session will focus on developing a shared reflection about bridging the gap between science and policy, enhancing the understanding of the science for policy competences and empowering researchers to strengthen them.</i></p> <p><i>During this session participants will discuss how to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Engage in the formulation of public policies;</i> • <i>Achieve a greater scientific policy impact;</i> • <i>Develop skills for non-specialized audiences, particularly in political environments.</i>
11.30	<p>Coffee break</p>
11.45	<p>Presentation on the European Commission Staff Working Document (SWD) ‘Supporting and connecting policymaking in the Member States with scientific research’</p> <p><i>The SWD is a joint effort between DG Research and Innovation and the Joint Research Centre. Policy Officer Alessandro Allegra (DG Research and Innovation) and Policy Analyst Kristian Krieger (JRC) will present the SWD key objectives and explain how COST Action participants can engage with and benefit from existing S4P initiatives outlined in the SWD.</i></p>
12.15	<p>How to achieve policy impact? Experience from the field</p> <p><i>Video message from Prof. Marie Ruiz, Action Chair of ‘Women on the Move’</i></p>
12.30	<p>Lunch break</p>

13.30	<p>Break-out sessions (1): drafting a stakeholder engagement strategy for your Action</p> <p><i>COST Actions working on similar topics are grouped together and are given the opportunity to discuss how they can develop and implement an optimal stakeholder engagement strategy for their Action. A template will be provided to help structure the discussion.</i></p>
14.05	<p>Break</p>
14.15	<p>Break-out sessions (2): drafting a stakeholder engagement strategy for your Action</p> <p><i>COST Actions working on similar topics are grouped together and are given the opportunity to discuss how they can develop and implement an optimal stakeholder engagement strategy for their Action. A template will be provided to help structure the discussion.</i></p>
15.15	<p>How to achieve policy impact? Experience from the field</p> <p><i>Short presentations with hints and tips by policy-oriented COST Actions:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>International Network to Encourage the Use of Monitoring and Forecasting Dust Products (inDust) – Dr Sara Basart, Action Chair</i> - <i>Quantum Technologies with Ultra-Cold Atoms (AtomQTech) – Dr Wolf Von Klitzing, Action Chair</i>
15.45	<p>Closure of the workshop</p>