

WG1 + Exchange Grants

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WG1: Cross-WG Activities, Showcases

- Promote interdisciplinary collaborations and cross WG-activities:
 - Exchanges between the WGs will be promoted, also by financially supporting inter-WG visits.
- Oversee tasks related to dissemination towards end users.
 - Including the design and development of the showcases of the Action.

WG1: Cross-WG Activities, Showcases

- Who:
 - Luis Rodrigues (WG Leader)
 - WG2- WG5 leaders
 - Ultimately: everybody that benefits from the action
- Optimistic plan:
 - Let these activities & showcases emerge naturally
 - Backup plan: bug people.

WG1: Cross-WG Activities, Showcases

- Bottom line:
 - At some point (maybe sooner than later) we need to report on the progress of all WGs, including this one.
- We should try to identify work that can illustrate interdisciplinary cooperative work
- Identify contributions that can be used as “showcases”.

Exchange-grants

- Short-term visits
 - 1 week to 3 months max
 - One researcher to visit other researcher to work on a topic relevant to the action
 - It is important that there is a measurable outcome (joint project, joint paper, new joint phd-supervision, etc)
- Budget:
 - Aproximately 20 Keuros/ year

Exchange-grants

- This is a well regulated process!
 - Amounts, application procedures, etc are regulated by COST and based on COST web-tools.
- Reference values:
 - 1 Week exchange: 600-750 Euros
 - 2 Weeks exchange: 1000-1400 Euros
 - 3 Months exchange: 2500 Euros

Exchange-grants

- Up to the action:
 - Selection process
- What the Euro-TM MC has decided:
 - Selection committee with all WG leaders as members.
 - 3 calls per year on a steady state

Steady-state

- Every year
 - April (start of action)-March (end of action)

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1st	April 1st	March 1st	March 15th	+ - 8KEuros
2st	August 1st	July 1st	July 15th	+ - 8KEuros
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Bootstrap

- If I want to do an exchange NOW?
 - I.e., starting before August 1st.

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Bootstrap

- Call 0!!!
- Is open from today:
 - Continuously open till June 15th.
 - Grant request will be evaluated as they are received

An alert

- Typically, one is afraid of not having enough funds for all requests
 - Emphasis on very rigorous selection process
- In practice:
 - It would be great to refuse many grant requests
 - Quite often, these networks underspend
- So please:
 - Prepare your exchanges asap
 - Send your students abroad