CYANOACTION

Effective Lake management: reducing cyanobacteria by actions in the catchment
COST Action CA23160

2026 – 1st Call for

Inclusiveness Target Country (ITC) Conference Grants applications

2nd Grant period: 01 November 2025 – 31 October 2026

Call opens: 19/12/2025
Call deadline: 30/09/2026 or until funds are available
Period to attend a conference: 05/01/2026 – 25/10/2026
Report delivery deadline: within 30 days from the end of the conference or 15 days after the end of the Grant Period, whichever date comes first

We are pleased to announce the opening of the 2026 Call for ITC Conference grants applications, for funding the **participation in high-level conferences**!

Applications are accepted on a continuous basis, with one evaluation session every month.

Who can apply?

Action participants affiliated with a legal entity located in an Inclusiveness Target Country or Near Neighbor Country giving **oral presentation of their own work** within the scope of the CYANOACTION.

Inclusiveness Target Countries and Near Neighbor Countries are listed in Country and Organisations Table and currently are as follow:

Inclusiveness Target Countries include Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, North Macedonia, Serbia, Türkiye and Ukraine.

Near Neighbor Countries include Algeria, Azerbaijan, Egypt, the Faroe Islands, Jordan, Kosovo, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, and Tunisia.

What support is provided?

• Conference grants are individual mobility grants for researchers presenting their work at high-level conferences and establish new collaborations.
• ITC Conference Grants contribute to travel, accommodation and subsistence expenses, registration fees, and overall effort.
• The application should include a requested amount, depending on the duration and location of the conference and any conference fees, **up to a maximum of 2500€ for face-to-face conference** (according to MC decision) or **500€ for virtual conference.**
• Applicants to Conference Grants shall not apply to different types of conference grants within the current grant period.

How to apply?

Applications are submitted via **e-COST** (applicants must have or create an e-COST profile).

Applicants must carefully read the **CYANOACTION Grand Awarding Process** before applying. This document provides detailed information on the application process, evaluation criteria, and the required documents from the grantee to receive the grant payment.

Applicants should refer to the currently available documents published on the COST & CYANOACTION webpages:
• CYANOACTION Memorandum of Understanding
• Annotated Rules for COST Actions
• Grant Awarding User Guide
• CYANOACTION Grand Awarding Process

CYANOACTION Acknowledgment

Grantees are required to acknowledge CYANOACTION during their presentation for their financial support provided through the conference grant by using the logos of CYANOACTION, EU, and COST. Grantees will be required to write a short report of their experience to be published in the newsletter and contribute content (posts, pictures, brief videos, etc.) for the Action's social media.

Grantees with approved applications will receive a Grant Letter from the Grant Holder.