

Subject | Minutes of the First Management Committee Meeting of COST Action CA16107

EuroXanth: Integrating science on *Xanthomonadaceae*
for integrated plant disease management in Europe,
Brussels, March 16, 2017

1. Welcome to participants

The participants were welcomed by Estelle Emeriau, Science Officer, and by Aranzazu Sanchez, Administrative Officer, of Action CA16107. Estelle Emeriau chaired the first part of the meeting, including the election of the Action Chair, Vice Chair, and Grant Holder that was carried out under agenda item 8.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda (**Annex 1**) for the 1st Management Committee (MC) meeting was adopted.

3. Status of the COST Action

CSO Approval: 24/10/2016

Start of the Action: 16/03/2017

End of Action: 15/03/2021

Total number of COST Countries having accepted the MoU: 21 (**Annex 2** – Action Fact Sheet)

Total number of COST Countries intending to accept the MoU: NA

4. Tour de table / Introduction of the MC members

The list of officially nominated delegates and the participants of the meeting with their contact information is presented in **Annex 3**.

5. Establishment of quorum

The quorum (2/3 of COST Countries participating in the Action) was reached: 19 country representatives out of 21 attended the meeting (COST doc. 134/14 “COST Action Management Monitoring and Final Assessment” Annex I, Article 8).

6. General information on COST mechanism and the funding and reporting of coordination activities

Estelle Emeriau gave a presentation on the COST mechanism, Actions, networking instruments and policies of the COST Association (**Annex 4**). Relevant information can be found on the COST website at: <http://www.cost.eu>.

Aranzazu Sanchez continued with an introduction to the COST Grant System (**Annex 4**). Relevant information is available on the COST website at <http://www.cost.eu/participate/networking>, including the following reference documents:

- Rules of Procedure for COST Action Management Committees (COST doc. 134/14, Annex I)
- COST Action Management
- COST Vademecum
- Grant Agreement Template

7. Information on the Rules of Procedure for COST Action Management Committees (MC)

The Rules of Procedure for the Management Committee (**Annex 5**) were presented and adopted by the MC.

8. Election of the Chair, Vice-Chair, Grant Holder Institution and its Scientific Representative

- Dr Ralf Koebnik, France, was elected as the Chair.
- Prof Vittoria Catara, Italy, was elected as the Vice Chair.
- IRD, France, was elected as the Grant Holder Institution.
- Dr Koebnik was elected as the Scientific Representative of the Grant Holder Institution.

It has been agreed that 15% of the budget for Total Science Expenditure will be allocated to the grant holder for the Financial and Scientific Administration and Coordination (FSAC).

9. Workplan for the implementation of the COST Action (based on the Memorandum of Understanding – Presentation of the Action by the elected Action Chair)

9.1 Challenge and Objectives of the Action

The objectives of the Action CA16107 are outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) (available at http://www.cost.eu/COST_Actions/ca/CA16107). The newly elected Chair, Dr Ralf Koebnik, presented a summary of the Action and the provisional grant workplan and budget).

The main challenge that is addressed by the Action are present, emerging or re-emerging plant diseases due to infection by bacteria of the *Xanthomonadaceae* family, which are continually challenging food security and cause significant losses to the COST countries' economy each year. This challenge demands concerted R&D actions at the international level, which will be supported by the COST Action networking instruments.

This COST Action will bring together some of the brightest and best minds to join in an interdisciplinary network to develop strategies for sustainably protecting plants and significantly reducing yield losses. Specifically, this initiative will address several key aspects of the pathogen-vector-host interactions from the cellular to the population level. A better insight into population structures and virulence mechanisms of the pathogens, together with the exploration of the molecular mechanisms underlying disease resistance to the pathogen, will enable development of durably resistant plant cultivars and exploitation of bio-control schemes tailored to population and pathogen.

This Action will generate a platform that gathers experts from different disciplines, such as molecular diagnostics, molecular host-microbe interactions, plant resistance breeding, and applied microbiology. Joining their efforts will help to develop and implement effective plant protection schemes, be it via resistant crop cultivars or via other control mechanisms. This goal will be achieved by mobilizing and training scientists from major European institutions, regulatory bodies and commercial companies working on the various aspects of this complex of problems.

9.2 Organisation and management of the Action

It was decided that the Action will be carried out mainly through four Working Groups: Diagnostics & diversity – population structure of the pathogens (WG1); Biology of the pathogen and its interaction with eukaryotic hosts (WG2); Genetic resistance and host defense against the pathogens (WG3); Disease management and vector control (WG4). The Action will make use of all possible networking instruments that are supported by COST, such as meetings, training schools, short-term scientific missions (STMS), and dissemination activities. All four Working Groups will address the relevant key areas as described in the MoU and defined as nine specific research coordination and five capacity building objectives. Working Groups have been invited by the Management Committee to cooperate as closely as possible and to ensure the necessary flow of information. The following MC members/substitutes were elected by the MC to lead the four WGs:

9.2.1 Working Group 1: Diagnostics & Diversity – Population Structure

WG Leader: Joana Costa (Portugal)

WG Vice Leader: Nicholas Skandalis (Greece)

9.2.2 Working Group 2: Pathogen Biology

WG Leader: Dr Joël F. Pothier (Switzerland)

WG Vice Leader: Dr Eran Bosis (Israel)

9.2.3 Working Group 3: Genetic Resistance – Host Defense

WG Leader: Dr Jens Boch (Germany)

WG Vice Leader: Dr Roland Kölliker (Switzerland)

9.2.4 Working Group 4: Disease Management – Vector Control

WG Leader: Prof Emilio Stefani (Italy)

WG Vice Leader: Dr Tamas Kovacs (Hungary)

All MC Members and Substitutes will be associated with at least one WG. A complete list of all WG members will be provided to all MC Members and Substitutes by April 10, 2017.

9.3 Goals and deliverables

The MC defined four general goals for the COST Action:

- Exchange of knowledge about the state-of-the art in phytopathology with respect to members of the *Xanthomonadaceae* family
- Strategic planning of approaches that need to be developed for sustainable plant protection against infection by *Xanthomonadaceae*
- Sharing of technical knowhow, methods and tools (lab work, bioinformatics)
- Foresightful career development for early-career investigators

In accordance with the MoU and its objectives for research coordination and capacity building, the following deliverables were defined:

1. Setup of a Twitter account, fed by the community of COST Action participants, that will notify on events, break-through discoveries, and societal aspects of developments with relevance to the EuroXanth COST Action (Transversal / Month 3)
2. Establishment and curation of a dedicated Scoop.it! account on latest scientific publications with high relevance to the EuroXanth COST Action (Transversal / Month 6)
3. Consortium website/newsletter that will provide information about events that are organized in the frame of the EuroXanth COST Action and which will disseminate network-relevant information, such as step-by-step protocols, factsheets, opinions, etc. (Transversal / Month 9)
4. Co-organisation of the 6th *Xanthomonas* Genomics Conference, which will take place in Halle (Saale), Germany, in 2018 (Transversal / Month 18)
5. Protocols for detection of *Xanthomonadaceae* listed as quarantine organisms in Europe (EPPO A1 and A2 lists of pests recommended for regulation as quarantine pests) (WG1 / Month 24)
6. List of molecular markers useful to study the genetic diversity and population structure of plant-associated *Xanthomonadaceae* (WG1 / Month 24)
7. Curated, internet-accessible database for molecular typing of plant-associated *Xanthomonadaceae* essentially for epidemiological purposes (WG1 / Month 24)
8. Personnel from ITC (Inclusiveness Target Countries) and non-ITC trained in the use of software, databases and websites relevant for detection, molecular typing and epidemiology of bacterial pathogens (WG1 / Month 30)
9. Protocols for resistance and pathogenicity screening of the most important crop species and bacterial strains covered by the EuroXanth COST Action (WG2 & WG3 / Month 30)
10. Repertoire of important candidate bacterial factors in the microbe-eukaryote interaction at different steps of the infection/dissemination cycle (WG2 / Month 36)
11. Inventory of plant resistance genes, allelic variants and quantitative trait loci (QTL) in crop species that are effective against infection by members of the *Xanthomonadaceae* family (WG3 / Month 36)

12. Recommendation of disease control measurements based on a better understanding of the microbe-eukaryote interaction and the effects of bio-control approaches on pathogen populations (WG4 / Month 42)
13. Trained next-generation investigators who are well connected in a stimulating trans-national career network (Transversal / Month 48)

The objectives and deliverables will be achieved by the efficient use of the various COST networking tools, such as meetings, workshops, short-term scientific missions and dissemination activities. Specific implementation of these activities will be decided by the MC each year based on the yearly grant periods and the available budget. MC members have been invited to encourage Early Career Investigators to participate in the scheme.

10. Appointment of horizontal roles

For horizontal activities and monitoring of the Action, the following roles were defined and responsible MC Members/Substitutes were elected:

- Dr Monika Kałużna, Poland, was elected as STSM Coordinator.
- Dr Joana Vicente, United Kingdom, was elected as Communication Responsible.
- Dr Marie-Agnès Jacques, France, was elected as first Internal and Financial Monitoring Reporter.
- Dr Suayib Üstün, Sweden, was elected as second Internal and Financial Monitoring Reporter.

The Internal and Financial Monitoring Reporters will regularly oversee the progress of the Action according to the criteria described before (MoU, decisions taken by the MC, COST Policy) and they will alert the MC / Core Group in cases when timely action needs to be taken.

In accordance with the COST rules the MC has set up a Core Group consisting of the Chair, Vice Chair, the four Working Group Leaders and Vice Leaders, the STSM Coordinator, the Communication Responsible and the two Internal and Financial Monitoring Reporters.

11. Draft Work and Budget (W&B) Plan for the first Grant Period (GP)

It has been agreed during the MC meeting to organize the following activities during the first grant period:

- First Annual Conference of the EuroXanth COST Action
- Meeting of the MC back-to-back with the First Annual Conference of the EuroXanth Action
- Meeting of Working Groups 2 and 3,
- Training School (details to be defined)
- Short-Term Scientific Missions
- Setup of a Twitter account, Scoop.it! account and construction of a website, which will serve as an information warehouse to explain the objective and structure of the EuroXanth COST Action, to present past achievements (proceedings, reports, minutes, guidelines, instruction materials – respecting confidentiality, if appropriate) and to announce upcoming events

Back-to-back organization of conferences and meetings with other events of high relevance for the COST Action (e.g. the EFSA conference on European research into

Xylella fastidiosa (<http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/events/event/171113>), Palma de Mallorca, Spain, 13-15 November 2017, and the 1st Workshop of the EFFECTOME Network “Deciphering Plant Resistance and Pathogen Virulence for Sustainable Crop Protection” (<http://www.effectome.org>), Banyuls-sur-Mer, France, 12-15 September 2017) will be considered.

It was decided to launch a first STSM call after the summer break, i.e. in September 2017. In the following years, two calls per year will be organized. Applications can only be submitted by using the on-line registration tool (www.cost.eu/stsm) as described in the relevant guidelines. All participants were invited to encourage early-career investigators to apply for STSM grants.

Applications for conference grants (Dissemination Meetings and ITC Conference Grants) will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the STSM Committee and approved according to the evaluation criteria and available budget. For both types of conference grants, the participation of each applicant must be pre-approved by the Action MC. Applicants for Dissemination Meetings must in addition be pre-approved by the Action’s Science Officer.

The STSM Committee was invited to define the application format and to formulate evaluation criteria for STSMs and conference grants, which will ensure scientific excellence and respect COST Policy (gender balance; geographical spread; career stage: involving early career investigators). Evaluation criteria will adopt COST rules, as outlined in the Vademecum. In particular, the main subject of the oral presentation at the Dissemination Meeting must result in promoting the scientific activities being performed by the COST Action. The main subject of an oral presentation / poster presentation supported by an ITC Conference Grant must be on the topic of the Action and the presentation must acknowledge COST. Criteria will be subject to approval by the MC per e-vote.

MC Members and Substitutes were cordially invited to support the Action Chair and the Communication Responsible in setting up an informative website by providing adequate information material.

12. Any Other Business (AOB)

The Scientific Committee had recommended that the proposed Action should seek international cooperation (e.g. with USA and Australia) to access expertise in this area. Among the four Secondary Proposers from the USA, the MC approved the following two as MC Observers:

- Rodrigo Almeida – University of California, Berkeley, US-CA
- Jan Leach – University of Colorado, Fort Collins, US-CO

The MC could not identify any researcher from Australia who could support the COST Action by his/her expertise. In contrast, the MC expressed the wish to approach researchers from Argentina, Brazil and New Zealand to become MC Observers, among them:

- María Rosa Marano – Universidad Nacional de Rosario, Argentina
- Adrian Vojnov – National Scientific and Technical Research Council, Buenos Aires, Argentina

The Chair informed the MC that he was approached by two researchers from Near Neighbour Countries (NNC), who are interested in joining the Action:

- Alexander N. Ignatov – R&D Center ‘PhytoEngineering’, Rogachevo (Moscow region), Russia

- Abdel Rahman Mohammad Said Al-Tawaha – Al-Hussein bin Talal University, Maan, Jordan

To facilitate the efficiency of the COST Action, several the following mandates were adopted:

(1) STSM applications will be coordinated by the STSM Coordinator and pre-screened for eligibility according to the evaluation criteria. Approval of applications will be given by the STSM Committee, which will consist of the STSM coordinator, the Chair, the Vice Chair and all four WG Leaders (or Vice Leader if a Leader devolves this duty).

(2) Conference grant (Dissemination Meeting, ITC Conference Grant) applications will be coordinated by the STSM Coordinator and pre-screened for eligibility according to the evaluation criteria. Approval of applications will be given by the STSM Committee. Participation at Dissemination Meetings requires additional pre-approval by the Action's Science Officer.

(3) In case of non-response, the Grant Holder can cancel non answered invitations to Actions after 14 days of sending the invitation.

(4) In case of underspending in a certain activity, the Chair (or Vice Chair if the Chair devolves this duty) may decide to use the unspent funds on another activity, preferentially on additional STSMs.

(5) The Core Group may decide to re-allocate funds from one activity to another as long as the amount is not larger than 5000 €.

13. Closing

In closing the meeting on 16 March 2017 at 5.00 pm Action Chair Dr Ralf Koebnik expressed his gratitude to the COST staff and the members of the Management Committee for their active participation in the meeting.

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Annex 1 – Agenda

COST Action CA16107

Action Title: EuroXanth: Integrating science on *Xanthomonadaceae* for integrated plant disease management in Europe

1st Management Committee Meeting

149 avenue Louise, 15th floor, Auditorium room, Brussels, Belgium

16 March 2017 from 09:30 to 17:00

1. Welcome to participants
2. Verification of the presence of two-thirds of the Participating COST Countries (quorum)
3. Adoption of agenda
4. Tour de table / introduction of the MC members
5. General information on COST mechanism and on the funding and reporting of coordination activities:
 - COST overview, policies and structure
 - Financing COST Action activities: Administrative Rules and Guidelines, Work and Budget Plan, COST Action Grant Agreement, Financial Reporting
 - Scientific/networking Reporting and Monitoring
6. Agreement on the internal rules of procedure for the Management Committee of the COST Action
7. Setting the frame for the Action - presentation by the Science Officer
 - Budget
 - Presentation of the Scientific Committee recommendations to the Action

----- Coffee break -----
8. Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair
9. Selection of:
 - The Grant Holder institution (Scientific Representative)
 - The FSAC rate for the Grant Holder institution
10. Presentation and discussion of the Action
 - a. Presentation of the Action by the "Main Proposer"/Chair of the Action (based on the Memorandum of Understanding)
 - Objectives and deliverables
 - Working Groups and other management roles/structures
 - Implementation of COST policies on the promotion of Inclusiveness and Excellence (see below list of Inclusiveness Target Countries), gender balance and Early Career Investigators (ECI)
 - b. MC discussion of:
 - Deliverables and timeline
 - Working Groups and other management roles/structures
 - Implementation of Scientific Committee recommendations and COST policies

Inclusiveness Target Countries: Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Croatia, Hungary, Lithuania, Latvia, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Republic of Serbia and Turkey

11. Establishment of Action Management structure
 - Election of Working Group Leaders and STSM Manager
 - Election of other management roles

----- Lunch break -----
12. Action implementation planning
 - a. Development of Objective Achievement Indicators for MoU Objectives
 - b. 1st Grant Period (GP)
 - Grant Period Goals, WG tasks and deliverables
 - Activity and budget planning (Work and Budget Plan preparation)
 - Dissemination strategy/ planning (Publications and outreach activities)
13. Any Other Business (AOB)
14. Closing

Annex 2 – Action Fact Sheet



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Action CA16107 Fact Sheet

Title
EuroXanth: Integrating science on <i>Xanthomonadaceae</i> for integrated plant disease management in Europe

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Details			
Draft MoU:	OC-2016-1-20656	MoU:	106/16
Start of Action:	16/03/2017	Entry into force:	23/11/2016
End of Action:	15/03/2021	CSO approval date:	24/10/2016

Objectives

Bacteria of the family *Xanthomonadaceae*, including species of *Xanthomonas* and *Xylella fastidiosa*, belong to the most devastating plant pathogens continually challenging food security. Many of the pathogens are listed as quarantine organisms in the EU and their study is of uttermost importance. The concerned pathogens infect all kinds of crop plants, such as cereals, forage crops for ruminant feed, vegetables, fruits, shrubs and trees. This COST Action will bring together some of the brightest and best minds to join in an interdisciplinary network to develop strategies for sustainably protecting plants and significantly reducing yield losses. Specifically, this initiative will address several key aspects of the pathogen-vector-host interactions from the cellular to the population level. A better insight into population structures and virulence mechanisms of the pathogens, together with the exploration of the molecular mechanisms underlying disease resistance to the pathogen, will enable development of durably resistant plant cultivars and exploitation of bio-control schemes tailored to population and pathogen. This Action will generate a platform that gathers experts from different disciplines, such as molecular diagnostics, molecular host-microbe interactions, plant resistance breeding, and applied microbiology. Joining their efforts will help to develop and implement effective plant protection schemes, be it via resistant crop cultivars or via other control mechanisms. This goal will be achieved by mobilizing and training scientists from major European institutions, regulatory bodies and commercial companies working on the various aspects of this complex of problems.

Parties							
Country	Date	Country	Date	Country	Date	Country	Date
Belgium	16/01/2017	Bosnia and Herzegovina	30/12/2016	Bulgaria	01/02/2017	Czech Republic	24/11/2016
France	17/11/2016	Germany	23/11/2016	Greece	24/11/2016	Hungary	13/12/2016
Israel	21/11/2016	Italy	24/01/2017	Netherlands	07/03/2017	Norway	05/01/2017
Poland	28/11/2016	Portugal	04/01/2017	Serbia	19/12/2016	Slovenia	23/01/2017
Spain	03/01/2017	Sweden	29/11/2016	Switzerland	28/11/2016	United Kingdom	17/11/2016
fYR Macedonia	23/11/2016						

Total:

21

Intentions to accept the MoU							
Country	Date	Country	Date	Country	Date	Country	Date
Total:							0

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None

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None

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Annex 5 – Rules of Procedure for COST Action MCs

Rules of Procedure for COST Action Management Committees

Article 1

The Management Committee (MC) for COST Action has been set up in accordance with the provisions of the “COST Action Management, Monitoring and Final Assessment”.

The members of the MC are nominated by the COST National Coordinator of the respective COST Member Country or Cooperating State participating in the Action. The MC consists of up to two representatives for each COST Member Country and Cooperating State. MC members are considered as representatives of their country.

Researchers, engineers or scholars from Near Neighbour Countries and International Partner Countries can be MC Observers; participation is limited to up to two representatives provided they come from two different institutions of the country in question. Also Specific Organisations can be represented in the MC as MC Observers, with no voting right. MC Observers must be approved by the MC and the COST Association. Their participation must follow the “COST International Cooperation and Specific Organisations Participation Rules”.

Article 2

The main responsibilities of the MC are, as defined in Section 4.3. - *Action Strategy and Structure* of the “COST Action Management, Monitoring and Final Assessment”, to ensure the coordination, implementation and management of the Action as well as supervising the appropriate allocation and use of the funds. Minutes must be taken at each MC meeting and uploaded into e-COST.

Article 3

Each COST Member Country and Cooperating State participating in the Action has one vote in the MC. If a MC Member is unable to attend a meeting, the vote may be delegated to an officially appointed substitute (see Article 4). MC Observers from Near Neighbour Countries, International Partner Countries, or Specific Organisations have the right to express their views but not to vote.

Votes can be held electronically via e-mail and are valid if all of the following conditions are met:

- 3.1 Voting is initiated and managed by the MC Chair;
- 3.2 All MC Members are among the recipients of the message initiating the vote (and MC Observers receive the message but have no voting right);
- 3.3 The vote is open for seven days;
- 3.4 The COST Association is informed of the outcome of the vote;
- 3.5 The outcome of the vote is included in the minutes of the next MC Meeting after the electronic vote is held.

In case of electronic vote, absence of reply is interpreted as consent. Electronic vote (via e-mail) cannot be used for the approval of International Partner Country participants and for the approval of the annual Work and Budget Plan, for which specific procedures and dedicated online tools are available.

Article 4

The MC members of a country may, with the agreement of both the relevant COST National Coordinator and the MC Chair, appoint a substitute in case of his/her absence. Attendance at the MC meeting should be limited to members (or their substitute), as well as the designated MC Observers.

Article 5

The MC may decide that some of its discussions or certain minutes of meetings and other documents be considered confidential; those documents shall be sent to the COST Association. Documents are not considered confidential unless this is clearly stated on the front page.

The information supplied by the members of the MC shall not be published without their agreement.

Article 6

If in the course of this Action results are obtained or expected, which could give rise to intellectual property rights, the MC shall take the necessary steps, be it by written agreement among the participants or otherwise, in order to protect these rights, with respect to the principles set out in "Rules for Participation in and Implementation of COST Activities" and corresponding guidelines.

Article 7

The MC appoints by a simple majority vote from among its members a Chair and a Vice-Chair for the duration of the Action¹. The election shall take place during the first MC meeting.

If the Chair is unable to attend a meeting, his/her place shall be taken by the Vice-Chair. Whenever the Chair is affiliated to the Grant Holder or acts as a local organiser, commitments, validation and approval are transferred to the Vice-Chair.

In the event of the premature resignation or termination of the appointment of the Chair or Vice-Chair, they shall be replaced for the remainder of the mandate, again by a simple majority vote to elect a new Chair and/or Vice-Chair.

The COST Committee of Senior Officials (CSO) may, in exceptional cases, revoke the Chair and/or Vice-Chair of the Action. The CSO issues a written justification of the act to the MC. Such decision is without the possibility of appeal.

¹ Representatives from European RTD Organisation are eligible to be elected Chair or Vice-Chair provided the host country nominates them as country representatives. MC Observers from Near Neighbour Countries, International Partner Countries and Specific Organisations other than European RTD Organisations are not eligible to be elected Chair or Vice-Chair.

Article 8

Meetings of the MC can be held only if at least two-thirds of the COST Countries participating in the Action are represented.

Decisions of the MC shall be taken by simple majority vote of MC Members present or represented at the meeting, with one vote per COST Member Country and Cooperating State participating in the Action. In the event of a tie, the procedure may be repeated. The MC Chair does not have the right to vote.

The minutes of an MC meeting at which at least two-thirds of the COST countries participating in the Action are not represented must be approved by a MC vote according to Article 3.

Article 9

The MC is convened by the Chair as often as required for the performance of its tasks and not less than once per year.

It may also be convened at the request of members representing at least three COST countries participating in the Action.

Article 10

Support for the MC must be provided by the Grant Holder following the Decentralised management (so-called COST Grant System). Support to the MC can be provided by the COST Association in a subsidiary basis for meetings organised following the Centralised management.

Article 11

The COST Association must receive copies of correspondence and minutes of meetings pertinent to the monitoring of the Action.

Official documents to be distributed by the Grant Holder (or by the COST Association in case of meeting organised under the Centralised management) at meetings must be provided at least one week before the meeting. Whenever possible, documents should be electronically distributed by the authors directly to the Action Participants and the Grant Holder as well as to the COST Association.

Article 12

Meetings shall be held where the MC considers it advisable to meet, in easy to reach locations such as universities or research organisations of any COST country participating in the Action. The first MC meeting is organised by the COST Association and takes place in Brussels.

Article 13

The working language of the MC is English. Documents emanating from the MC must be written in English.

Article 14

These Rules of Procedure must be respected and can not be amended by the MC.