

**31<sup>st</sup> October 2018**

**COST INFORMATION DAY**

# Promoting and Spreading Excellence

Filoxenia Conference Centre, Nicosia

## AGENDA

<b>8:30 – 9:00</b>	<b>Registration and Coffee</b>
<b>9:00 – 9:05</b>	<b>Welcome</b> <i>Dr. Vasilios Tsakalos</i> , Director General, Research Promotion Foundation
<b>9:05 – 9:25</b>	<b>Keynote Speech “Promoting and Spreading Excellence: Perspectives from COST”</b> <i>Dr. Ronald de Bruin</i> , Director of COST Association
<b>9:25 – 10:00</b>	<b>What is COST and How does it Work?</b> Basic Principles and Mission, COST Actions, The Networking Instrument, COST Policies: Inclusiveness, Gender and Early Career Investigators <i>Dr Ioanna Stavridou</i> , Science Officer, COST Association
<b>10:00 – 10:30</b>	<b>Joining Ongoing Actions</b> The National Procedure to Join a running Action <i>Ms Constantina Makri</i> , Science Officer and 2 <sup>nd</sup> COST National Coordinator, Research Promotion Foundation
<b>10:30 – 11:00</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>11:00 -11:30</b>	<b>Hints and Tips - How to Create a New COST Action</b> Procedure, Structure of Proposals, Evaluation and Submission <i>Dr Ioanna Stavridou</i> , Science Officer, COST Association
<b>11:30-12:00</b>	<b>Successful Coordination of Actions from Cyprus</b> <i>Dr. Julius Georgiou</i> , University Of Cyprus, Chair of the COST Action IC1401 <i>Dr. Despo Fatta-Kassinou</i> , University Of Cyprus, Chair of the COST Action ES1403
<b>12:00-12:20</b>	<b>Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions: Opportunities for Networking and Career Development</b> <i>Ms Georgia Kleanthous</i> , MSCA National Contact Point, Research Promotion Foundation
<b>12:20 – 13:00</b>	<b>Questions &amp; Answers / Closing</b>