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COST Action CA18202 – NECTAR

Network for Equilibria and Chemical Thermodynamics Advanced Research

Demetrio Milea, AC and GHSR – MC meeting, Zoom Platform, September 25th, 2023

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CA18202 Members: 31. Quorum: 21

Member		Member		Member	
Albania (AL)	A	France (FR)	P	North Macedonia (MK)	P
Austria (AT)	A	Germany (DE)	P	Poland (PL)	P
Belgium (BE)	A	Greece (EL)	P	Portugal (PT)	P
Bosnia and Herzegovina (BA)	A	Hungary (HU)	P	Romania (RO)	P
Bulgaria (BG)	P	Iceland (IS)	A	Serbia (RS)	P
Croatia (HR)	A	Ireland (IE)	P	Slovakia (SK)	P
Czech Republic (CZ)	P	Italy (IT)	P	Slovenia (SI)	P
Denmark (DK)	P	Lithuania (LT)	P	Spain (ES)	P
Estonia (EE)	A	Malta (MT)	A	Switzerland (CH)	P
Finland (FI)	A	Moldova (MD)	A	Turkey (TR)	P
				United Kingdom (UK)	P

P = Present; A = Absent;

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- Last MC meeting was held in Lublijana on 26/08/2022
- E-vote launched on 31/10/2022 to approve minutes and decisions of last MC meeting: APPROVED
- E-vote launched on 08/02/2023 to approve a TS to be organised by WG1: APPROVED
- E-vote launched on 14/02/2023 to approve a topup request and a WBP remodulation: APPROVED
- E-vote launched on 19/05/2023 to approve to refund APC of OA paper (software PyES): APPROVED

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- Report...

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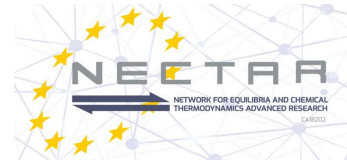


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- New WG membership requests arriving continuously.
- New WG member names available in webpage.

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e) Budget status: summary from the Grant Holder.



Financial period: **AGA-CA18202-4**
From **01/11/2022** to **31/10/2023**

Funds available to spend globally: EUR 23 636.72

Total	Grant budget (a)	Expenditure					Delta (g=f-a)
		Actuals (b)	Accruals (c)	Total (d=b+c)	Forecast (e)	Total (f=d+e)	
Meeting	73 800.00	29 394.51	11 862.36	41 256.87	14 200.00	55 456.87	-18 343.13
Training School	36 320.00	12 666.41	0.00	12 666.41	18 160.00	30 826.41	-5 493.59
Short-Term Scientific Mission Grant	40 500.00	13 600.00	1 400.00	15 000.00	25 500.00	40 500.00	0.00
Virtual Mobility Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Inclusiveness Target Countries Conference Grant	2 000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2 000.00	2 000.00	0.00
Dissemination Conference Grant	1 500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1 500.00	1 500.00	0.00
Dissemination and Communication Products	3 100.00	3 200.00	0.00	3 200.00	100.00	3 300.00	200.00
Other Expenses Related to Scientific Activities (OERSA)	975.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	975.00	975.00	0.00
Virtual Networking Support Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Networking expenditure	158 195.00	58 860.92	13 262.36	72 123.28	62 435.00	134 558.28	-23 636.72
Eligible Networking expenditure	158 195.00	58 860.92	13 262.36	72 123.28	62 435.00	134 558.28	-23 636.72
FSAC 15% of Eligible Networking expenditure	23 729.25	8 829.14	1 989.35	10 818.49	9 365.25	20 183.74	-3 545.51
Eligible Costs	181 924.25	67 690.06	15 251.71	82 941.77	71 800.25	154 742.02	-27 182.23

Give mandate to AC to to authorize «last-minute» activities (e.g., STSMs, OA publications, etc) and to move needed budget.

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SO: Radenka Krsmanovic Whiffen

AO: Carmencita Malimban

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Role	Leader
Action Chair	Prof Demetrio MILEA ▾
Action Vice Chair	Dr Sofia GAMA ▾
Grant Holder Scientific Representative	Prof Demetrio MILEA ▾
Science Communication Coordinator	Prof Elzbieta GUMIENNA-KONTECKA ▾
Grant Awarding Coordinator	Prof Matteo TEGONI ▾
WG1 Leader	Dr Olga IRANZO ▾
WG2 Leader	Prof M. Amelia SANTOS ▾
WG3 Leader	Prof Marija BESTER-ROGAC ▾
WG4 Leader	Prof Winfried PLASS ▾
WG5 Leader	Dr Álvaro MARTÍNEZ-CAMARENA ▾

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TS Coordinator	Prof Enrique GARCÍA-ESPAÑA <input type="checkbox"/>
EO Manager	Dr Eva Anna ENYEDY <input type="checkbox"/>
IT Manager	Dr Oreste TODINI <input type="checkbox"/>
WG1 co-leader	Dr Montserrat FILELLA <input type="checkbox"/>
WG2 co-leader	Prof Petr HERMANN <input type="checkbox"/>
WG3 co-leader	Prof Slobodan GADZURIC <input type="checkbox"/>
WG4 co-leader	Prof Aleksandar CVETKOVSKI <input type="checkbox"/>
WG5 co-leader	Mr Emanuele ZANDA <input type="checkbox"/>
ITC CG Coordinator	Prof Emel YILDIZ <input type="checkbox"/>
STSM Coordinator	Prof Matteo TEGONI <input type="checkbox"/>

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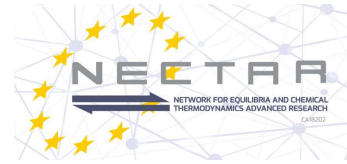
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Grant Agreement Period Goals

Number	Grant Agreement Period Goal				
GAPG 1	Promote and advertise Acion and Action aims	GAPG 5	Publish/release first data collection about Fe(II) (WG1, WG4, WG5)	GAPG 8	Release first guidelines on the use of non aqueous solvents in solution equilibria (WG3, WG4, WG5)
GAPG 2	Identify and involve new stakeholders	GAPG 6	Release first guidelines concerning the correct procedure for potentiometric measurements of strong ligand/metal interactions (WG2, WG4, WG5)	GAPG 9	Release/publish comparison between available software for potentiometric data analysis (WG4, WG5)
GAPG 3	Training of the so-called "Thermodynamic minds"	GAPG 7	Release first guidelines concerning the correct use of ITC for solution equilibria (WG2, WG3, WG4, WG5)	GAPG 10	Optimization of the NECTAR Q/A solution environment for enterprises and other stakeholders (WG4, WG5)
GAPG 4	Complete the "Periodic Table" release concerning acid-base properties of elements (WG1, WG4, WG5).				

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Budget for GP5: 95'000 €

End of GP5, End of Action: 01/04/2024

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A. COST Networking Tools	
(1) Meetings	62'900.00
(2) Training Schools (TS)	0.00
(3) Mobility of Researchers and Innovators (STSM)	15'000.00
(4) Presentation at Conferences organised by Third Parties	0.00
(5) Dissemination and Communication Products	3'700.00
(6) Other Expenses Related to Scientific Activities (OERSA)	1'000.00
(7) VNT	0.00
B. Total Science Expenditure (sum of (1) to (7))	82'600.00
C. Financial and Scientific Administration and Coordination (FSAC) (15% of B)	12'390.00
Total Grant (B+C)	94'990.00

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4th NECTAR European Conference and Final Action Meeting

Location: Milazzo/Messina

Dates: 2 days - February 26th-27th (MC on 27th)

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Give full mandate to AC to manage the entire organization of the meeting, including decisions on Daily Allowance (not less than 80€/day).

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