Early Warning System

# EIB-20220206 COOPERATION IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY II



### **Quick Facts**

Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2023-08-28
Borrower	COST ASSOCIATION
Sectors	Education and Health
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 64.95 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 64.95 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 399.47 million



## **Project Description**

As stated by the EIB, the project supports the activities of the European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST) association. The COST Association is a proven knowledge sharing and training platform aimed at fostering the cooperation among scientists across Europe. Through competitive grants, it brings together researchers, innovators and other professionals based in Europe and beyond, creating interdisciplinary networks working on various research topics.

Supporting the association is in line with the 'excellence' and 'widening participation' objectives of the EU's Horizon Europe research funding programme. COST's activities promote professional opportunities for participating researchers and potentially enhance Europe's innovation capacity, thus its competitiveness and economic growth.



# **Investment Description**

• European Investment Bank (EIB)



## **Private Actors Description**

As stated on their website, COST (European Cooperation in Science and Technology) is a funding organisation for research and innovation networks. Our Actions help connect research initiatives across Europe and beyond and enable researchers and innovators to grow their ideas in any science and technology field by sharing them with their peers. COST Actions are bottom-up networks with a duration of four years that boost research, innovation and careers.



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	COST Association	Client	Education and Health

## **Contact Information**

No project contacts provided at the time of disclosure.

#### **Borrower - COST Association:**

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#### ACCESS TO INFORMATION

You can submit an information request for project information at: https://www.eib.org/en/infocentre/registers/requestform/request-form-default.htm

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# **Bank Documents**

• Environmental and Social Data Sheet