



## **CALL FOR ELN TRAINING SCHOOLS ORGANISATION**

Dear literacy colleagues,

We are pleased to announce the first call for training schools to be organised within the European Literacy Network (ELN). The main objective of the COST Action is to secure a European Literacy Network that builds upon existing reading and writing research communities. The ELN will coordinate a global European response to the challenges of the on-going digital revolution. One way to fore fill this objective is to train the next generation of interdisciplinary researchers in the wide-open field of literacy.

Do you want to foster the advanced training for Early Stage Researchers (ESR) by organising a training school? Then this letter is to inform you that the first call within the IS1401 COST Network to organise ELN training schools is now open. We kindly invite all of you to consider organising an ELN Training school and to submit a proposal. A detailed list with criteria for the trainings schools can be found below.

In general, the training schools should consist of a three-day program providing trainees 24 hours of in depth training on research methods or technological tools. Some of the training may require technological and laboratory facilities. These training schools can be organised on any topic of interest within the framework of the three working groups of our COST Action, but they will need to provide advanced training primarily to ESR researchers.

In this first call, we are interested to hear whether you consider organising a training school either before the end of this budget year (December 2015) or later (during our COST Action). The total budget for training schools for the current budget year entails €15.620,00. It is important to note that COST does not reimburse lecture fees, but provides in financial support to invite international colleagues as trainers for your training school. Trainers can be reimbursed for their travel, accomodation and meal expenses. In addition, trainees are entitled to receive a fixed grant. On the next page you will find some general details about the training school organisation as they are listed in the approved work and budget plan of period 1.



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### *Details for organising a ELN Training school:*

- Goals for the training school (TS) should be in line with the Action's MoU.
- Training schools must be held in a participating COST country or in an approved NNC institution.
- Training should be assured by a team of 4 international experts. One of the experts will be the TS manager, who will locally convene the event and settle the TS program.
- The average reimbursement per international trainer is € 990,-.
- The local organiser can claim Local Organiser Support. This is a limited amount of €20-, per participating trainee for each day of the approved activity.
- A call for 10 granted trainees will be released within the network and a competitive selection will be in place.
- A reasonable country balance should be respected concerning the trainee participation.
- The average reimbursement per trainee is € 450,-.
- Trainee grants do not necessarily cover all expenses related to attending the TS. The Trainee grant is a contribution to the overall travel, accommodation and meal expense of the Grantee.
- The TS will furthermore be open to local trainees (who will not ask reimbursement).

Are you interested in organising ELN training schools? These will surely be pivotal initiatives to foster expertise within the ELN network and fulfil IS1401ELN goals. We look forward to receiving your proposals. Feel free to discuss the prospect of organising an ELN training school with Dr. Veerle Baaijen, ESR coordinator. Please submit your proposal for the training school before 28-06-2015. You can use the attached form. Please send your proposals to the following e-mail addresses: [v.m.baaijen@rug.nl](mailto:v.m.baaijen@rug.nl) and [is1401eln@fpce.up.pt](mailto:is1401eln@fpce.up.pt)

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