

COST Action 23137
Print Culture and Public Spheres in Central Europe (1500–1800) | PCPS^{CE}
Virtual Mobility Grant
CALL 16: YRI Lecture Series Follow-up and Knowledge-Transfer Activity

Important Dates

Call closes: 27 September 2026

Notification of Results: 3 days after submission of complete application

Mission Period: 1 October – 28 October 2026

About this Action

PCPS^{CE} investigates the interactions between the pre-modern media revolution through printing and the emergence of public spheres in Central Europe in early modern history. The Action aims to build a European and global network of stakeholders from education, research and cultural institutions with a special focus on Young Researchers and Innovators. It works towards an integrative methodology that brings together experts from different national and disciplinary backgrounds. The Action includes work on joint publications such as a compendium on the book history of Central Europe and the development of an annotated catalogue of digital data and tools. The initiative aims to promote a new scholarly and public historical awareness of the diverse, non-national pasts of Central Europe. More information can be found in the Action's Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) available in the following web page: www.cost.eu/actions/CA23137.

Definition of Virtual Mobility Grant:

VM grants are given to a COST Action participant implementing virtual collaborative initiatives. The VM applicant(s) are Action participants with a primary affiliation to an institution located in a COST Full or Cooperating Member country or a COST Near Neighbouring Country participating in the Action. The applicant(s) shall inform the Grant Awarding Coordinator and Core Group about the aim of the VM Grant and how its outcomes will generate benefits to the Action, actively contribute to the overall objectives and relevant deliverables of the Action. The applicant must submit an activity report at the end, to be approved by the Grant Awarding Coordinator and voted by the Core Group.

The maximum amount for a VM grant is 1,200 €.

Main objective of the Virtual Mobility Grant:

The aim of this VM Grant is to build on the grantee's previous contribution to the YRI Lecture Series and enhance its long-term value for the COST Action community. During the grant period, the grantee will participate in a short, informal virtual follow-up meeting with the YRI team; add approximately five recommended publications or resources for further reading to the shared Zotero library; and contribute to and provide feedback on a blog post reflecting on the first year of the YRI Lecture Series. These outputs will support the dissemination of the series and promote further knowledge exchange within the Action.

Application process:

The applicant encodes a VM application by logging into e-COST and clicking on the "My Grant Applications", where a new application can be encoded.

Application on e-COST will be communicated to Joëlle Weis, Grant Awarding Coordinator.

Requirements after approval:

More information on the user guide: <https://www.cost.eu/uploads/2021/06/VNT-userguide.pdf>