

COST ACTION CA16215 – EUROPEAN NETWORK FOR THE PROMOTION OF PORTABLE, AFFORDABLE AND SIMPLE ANALYTICAL PLATFORMS

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“Not everything that can be counted counts, and not everything that counts can be counted.”

Albert Einstein (1879-1955), Theoretical physicist

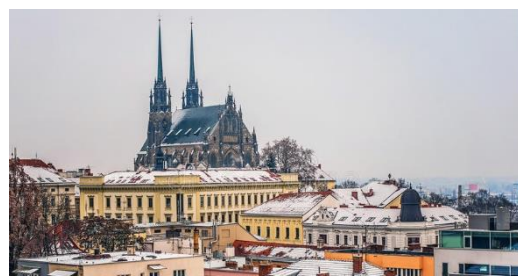
Dear Members and Friends of the
portASAP COST Action,

The new Grant Period officially started on the 1st of May 2018 and will last until the 30th of April 2019. Different events are planned during this Grant Period, including Short Term Scientific Missions, a Workshop in Brno (Czech Republic), and the MC meeting in Varazdin (Croatia). The workshop in Brno will focus on Open Source Capillary Electrophoresis and will hopefully allow many members of the Action to build their own instrument. The MC meeting will emphasise existing OSH for chemical analysis with many practical examples. To finish, the portASAP website is now officially launched, and the provisory address is <http://lepabe.fe.up.pt/portasap/>. We should move soon to the final domain.

I wish you all a happy and productive new Grant Period!

Guillaume

PLANNED EVENTS



OPEN CE WORKSHOP: This event will take place on the 15th and 16th of October 2018, in Brno, Czech Republic. It aims to teach how to design and promote Open Source Capillary Electrophoresis instruments.



MC MEETING: The MC meeting for this Grant Period will be organised in Varazdin, Croatia, from the 12th to

the 14th of February 2019. We will keep you updated, but you can already reserve your seats!

STSMS – OPENING OF THE 1ST CALL OF THE 2ND GRANT PERIOD

For this Grant Period, the budget for Short Term Scientific Missions is 37.500 €. The first call is now open, and you should send your application before the 31st of May. The STSMS may start after the 15th of June, if accepted, and all STSMS should be finished before the 15th of March 2019. A second call will be organised during the Grant Period. You can find more information about rules for evaluation and submission of STSMS [here](#). If you are interested in participating in a STSM but do not have a Host Institution, the [marketplace](#) is also open.

PORTASAP WEBSITE

The portASAP website is now live, although with a provisory address. The definitive address will be communicated as soon as possible. This website is an essential tool to organise and promote this Action. If you have suggestions or comments, please send them to the Chair of the Action ([guillaume\(at\)fe.up.pt](mailto:guillaume(at)fe.up.pt)).

SOCIAL MEDIA

You can follow the portASAP COST Action in the following social media: [Mendeley](#), [ResearchGate](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

WORKING GROUP LEADERS

Working groups are essential to the running of the PortASAP COST Action. If you have not done so yet, please contact the Group Leaders of up to two Working Groups where you are

interested in participating. Additionally, everyone involved in the COST Action belongs to WG6.

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