



# WG5: news and plans

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# News

- Many of the COST inclusiveness policies implemented already at the setup of the network!
  - 18 countries participating, of which 4 are from inclusiveness targeted
  - 2 out of 10 WG leaders from inclusiveness targeted countries,
  - 5 out of 10 of them are ECI (1 is a PhD student)
  - gender structure in the WG leaders: 50%/50%
  - The first VBSCan conference is held in Croatia
- STSM rules finalised and we can start accepting applications soon



# Plans

- Start receiving STSMs applications
- Once the VBSCan webpage is launched (subject to budget approvals etc.) we will update it annually to include description of past STSMs and monitor careers of our alumni to increase the visibility of inclusiveness targeted researchers



# Including more countries?

- COST Member States and Associated Countries not included yet in VBSCan:

Armenia, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine

Colours mark the participation in **ATLAS** and **CMS** based on official web pages