

# TIPS AND TRICKS FOR THE PREPARATION OF COST ACTION PROPOSALS

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European  
**burden-eu**  
of disease  
network



[www.burden-eu.net](http://www.burden-eu.net)

A map of Europe with several regions highlighted in orange. These regions include the British Isles, Ireland, the Baltic states (Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania), Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, and Turkey. The rest of the European continent is shown in light gray.

**231 members**

**38 countries**

# Tips and tricks

1. Be part of a COST Action
2. Have a real need for a network
3. Implement COST policies
4. Remain anonymous
5. Write the proposal for the reviewers
6. Define realistic objectives and deliverables
7. Know your WG leaders

# Be part of a COST Action

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WG Leaders and  
Co-Leaders

*Core Group*

*Management Committee Members*

*Working Group Members*

# Have a real need for network

The screenshot displays the ScotPHO website interface. At the top left is the ScotPHO logo with the tagline "Public Health Information for Scotland". To the right is the text "The Scottish Public Health Observatory 'Working to improve Scotland's health and reduce health inequalities'". A search bar is located in the top right corner. Below the header is a navigation menu with links for Home, Behaviour, Clinical Risk Factors, Life Circumstances, Population Groups, Comparative Health, Population Dynamics, Health, Wellbeing and Disease, Publications, and About Us. The main content area shows a breadcrumb trail: Home > Comparative Health > Burden of Disease > Technical workshop. A sidebar on the left lists various categories, with "Burden of Disease" and "Technical workshop" highlighted. The main content area features the heading "Burden of Disease technical workshop 2016" and a paragraph describing the workshop held in Edinburgh in September 2016. Below this, there are links to a delegate list and a programme. A section titled "Day 1: Overview and Policy Impact" lists six items, each with a link to a presentation and its file size.

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Home > Comparative Health > Burden of Disease > Technical workshop

**Burden of Disease**

- Overview
- SBoD results 2016
- SBoD data 2016
- SBoD local 2016
- Archive

**Technical workshop**

- Excess Mortality in Scotland and Glasgow
- Health Inequalities
- Health Inequalities Tools
- Measuring Inequalities
- Profiles
- Scotland and European HfA
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- Profiles

## Burden of Disease technical workshop 2016

On the 15th and 16th of September 2016 we held a workshop in Edinburgh with colleagues from England, The Netherlands, Norway, Germany, Belgium and Switzerland. The aim of the workshop was to share experiences and learning, build contacts and develop links between teams conducting national burden of disease studies in Europe.

You can view the [delegate list](#) and [programme](#) here. The presentations are available to view below:

### Day 1: Overview and Policy Impact

1. Summary of burden of disease work programme in each represented country ([Scotland](#) [1MB], [Norway](#) [4MB], [The Netherlands](#) [2MB], [England](#) [2MB], [Belgium](#) [1MB], [Germany](#) [8MB])
2. International collaborative work ([WHO](#) [1MB], [GATHER guidelines](#) [2MB], [Nordic countries study](#) [3MB])  
Professor John Newton also highlighted the new GBD European Network being launched the following week.
3. Presentational approaches and impact (discussion - no slides)
4. Health Economics ([Scotland](#) [1MB])
5. Projections ([Norway](#) [2MB], [WHO](#) [1MB], [The Netherlands](#) [3MB])
6. Risk factors ([Scotland](#) [2MB])

# Implement COST policies



**Remain anonymous**



# Write for the reviewers

The screenshot shows the COST website header with the logo and navigation menu. The main content area features the title 'CA18218 - European Burden of Disease Network' and a breadcrumb trail. Below the title, there are links for 'www.burden-eu.net/', 'Downloads', and 'Team'. At the bottom of the page, there are three tabs: 'Description', 'Parties', and 'Management Structure'. The 'Description' tab is currently selected.

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## CA18218 - European Burden of Disease Network

Home > Browse Actions > European Burden of Disease Network

[www.burden-eu.net/](http://www.burden-eu.net/)

[Downloads](#) [Team](#)

Description Parties Management Structure

## Action Documents

- [Action fact sheet](#)
- [Memorandum of Understanding](#)

# Define realistic objectives

## Research Coordination

- To bring together experts and expertise across different domains, transforming the currently scattered burden of disease landscape into one transnational team.
- To compare and harmonize methods and approaches for burden of disease assessment.
- To identify critical knowledge and data gaps, and set up studies for which international coordination is needed.
- To serve as an advocacy group for the burden of disease approach in Europe.

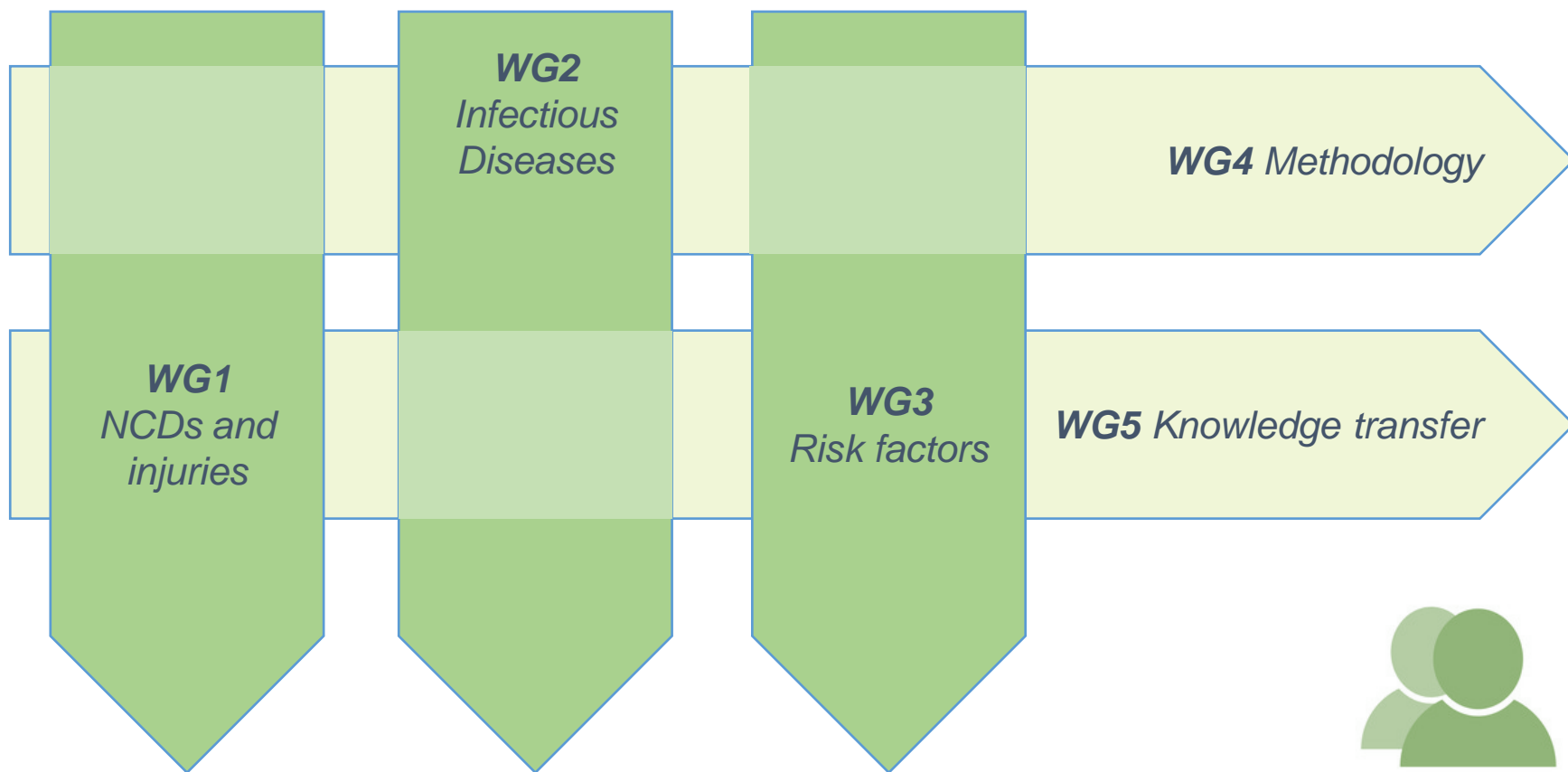
## Capacity Building

- To build and increase capacity in burden of disease assessment across Europe. The Action will have an explicit focus on the involvement of specific target groups, including Early Career Investigators, the under-represented gender, and teams and countries with less capacity in the field of burden of disease.
- To serve as a technical platform where knowledge and expertise can be shared among established and emerging researchers.
- To promote an interdisciplinary approach that integrates knowledge translation in the classical burden of

# Define realistic deliverables

#	Deliverable	Deadline
1	Development of the Action's <b>website</b>	M6
2	Development of <b>communication and dissemination strategy</b>	M6
3	Development of <b>checklist</b> for burden of disease studies	M15
4	Development of burden of disease <b>training material</b>	M21
5	Development of <b>national burden of disease roadmap</b>	M36
6	<b>Identification and involvement</b> of BOD researchers	M48
7	Compilation of <b>burden of disease studies</b>	M48
8	Compilation of <b>knowledge translation</b> good practices	M48
9	Development of <b>joint BOD research agenda</b>	M48

# Know your WG leaders



**STSM/ITC-CG coordinator**  
**Science Communication Manager**