**Training School Circular**

Training School of COST Action CM1404 "SmartCats", entitled “Analysis, uncertainty quantification, validation, optimization and reduction of detailed combustion mechanisms for practical use of smart energy carriers” will be on 4-7 July, 2016 at the School of Chemistry, Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE), Budapest, Hungary. The program of the School and further information is available on web site:

<http://garfield.chem.elte.hu/COST_Training_School_2016/>

The expected participants are mainly, but not exclusively, PhD students and Early-Career Investigators (i.e., researchers who received their PhD no more than 8 years ago) involved in [COST Actions](http://www.cost.eu/service/glossary/COST-Action).

A fixed number of grants are available to partially cover travel, accommodation and subsistence expenses. The amount of a grant is €400.

Trainees eligible to be reimbursed are:

1. Trainees from [Participating COST Countries](http://www.cost.eu/COST_Actions/cmst/CM1404?parties)

2. Trainees from [approved Near Neighbour Countries](http://www.cost.eu/COST_Actions/cmst/CM1404?parties) institutions

3. Trainees from approved European Research and Technological Development Organisations

The trainees that apply for a grant are requested to send the application form (enclosed) to cm1404grantholder@irc.cnr.it no later than 30 May 2016

Grants will be assigned following the COST principles of excellence and inclusiveness. Therefore, both the CV and the motivation of candidates will be considered, fostering the gender balance, the participation of less-research intensive COST Member Countries and the number of participation countries.

For fostering networking activities related to school topics, the granted participants are required to present their work at the poster session on Monday afternoon. To this aim they should send an abstract using the abstract template enclosed to cm1404grantholder@irc.cnr.it also by 30 May 2016.

The Grant administrative and financial issues will be handled by the SMARTCATs Grant Holder, that is the Institute for Research on Combustion (IRC - CNR). Requests for clarifications can be addressed to the Action Chair Mara de Joannon (dejoannon@irc.cnr.it) or to the Grant Holder Manager Antonella Napolitano (cm1404grantholder@irc.cnr).