## COST - H2020 Info Day 24 November 2016 Holiday Inn Žilina, Slovakia





- 9:30 Registration: Holiday Inn Žilina; Športová 2; 010 01 Žilina
- 10:00 Introduction to the COST Framework
  - What is COST and how does it work?
  - What are the COST Actions and how to participate in them?
  - How to prepare a successful proposal?

Mickael Pero, Science Officer, COST Association

- 11:15 Coffee break
- 11:45 National participation in COST Actions and nomination procedures

Milan Dado, COST National Coordinator Slovakia and CSO/EB member

12:15 Horizon 2020 Incoming calls on Transport

Tatiana Kováčiková, National delegate for H2020 PC on Smart, Green and Integrated Transport

13:15 Questions and answers

## **About COST**

COST (European Cooperation in Science and Technology) is a pan-European intergovernmental framework. Its mission is to enable breakthrough scientific and technological developments leading to new concepts and products and thereby contribute to strengthening Europe's research and innovation capacities.

It allows researchers, engineers and scholars to jointly develop their own ideas and take new initiatives across all fields of science and technology, while promoting multi- and interdisciplinary approaches. COST aims at fostering a better integration of less research-intensive countries to the knowledge hubs of the European Research Area. The COST Association, an International not-for profit Association under Belgian Law, integrates all management, governing and administrative functions necessary for the operation of the framework. The COST Association has currently 36 Member Countries.

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## About the University of Žilina

The history of the University of Zilina (UNIZA) began on 1 September 1953 when the University of Railway Transport was founded by separating from the Czech Technical University in Prague. It gradually became an important pillar of education in the fields of transport, which resulted in the change of the name to the University of Transport. It was moved to Žilina in 1960 where it underwent many transformations, and in 1980 it was renamed again to the University of Transport and Communications. Later in 1996, after broadening its fields of interest and other organisational changes, it was renamed the University of Žilina.

At present there are about 9,000 students being educated at seven faculties in 231 accredited fields of study in all forms and degrees of university studies at the University. In its over 60 years of successful existence it has become the alma mater for more than 70,000 graduates, highly skilled professionals specialising mostly in transport and technical fields as well as in management, marketing or humanities.

In 2014, the University of Žilina was awarded with an ERA Chair project in order to unlock and strengthen the research potential and promote excellence of the University of University of Žilina as well as University of Žilina region in the field of Intelligent Transport Systems.

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