

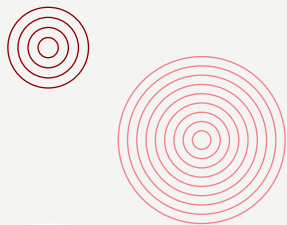
# The Western Balkans in COST



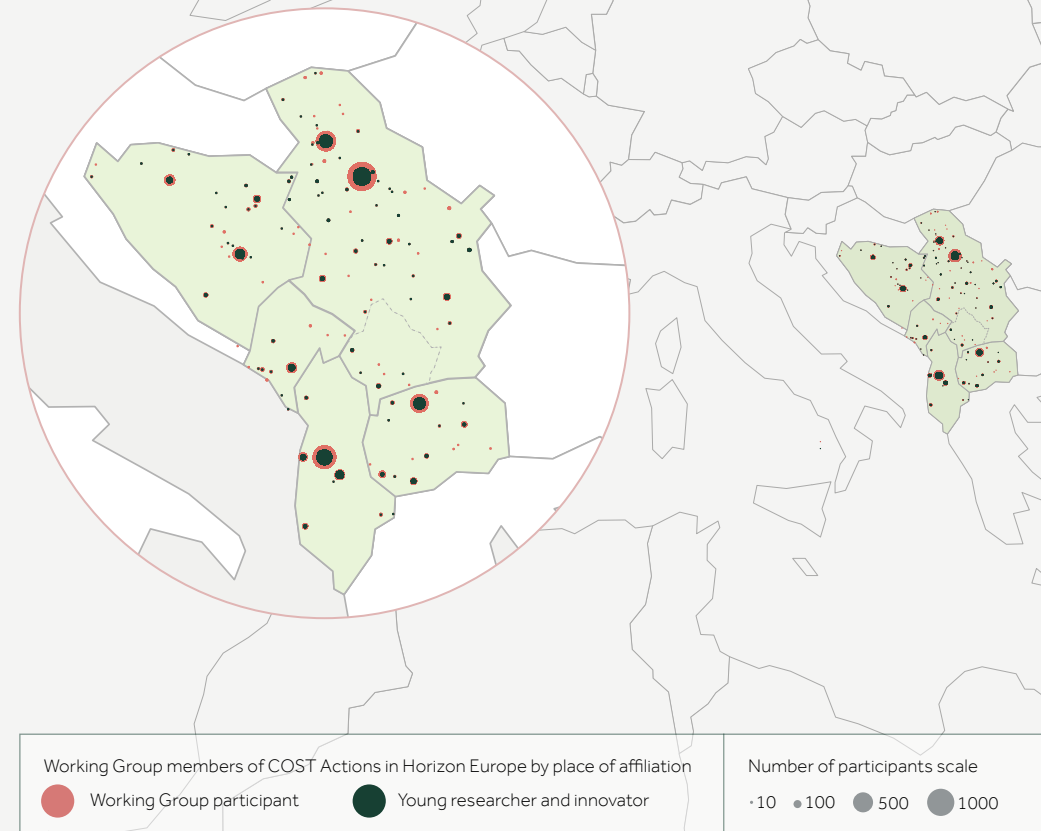
## Introduction by the COST President

Since its founding in 1971, COST has created connections between researchers from the Western Balkans and partners from all over Europe. Over the decades, these links have strengthened and more and more researchers from the region have found their way to COST Actions. As open spaces where ideas and opportunities can grow, COST Actions are the perfect means for researchers and innovators in the Western Balkans to further connect with the European Research Area. As COST President, it is my pleasure and honour to present this overview of the Western Balkans' involvement in COST.

**Prof. Salvatore Grimaldi,**  
President of the COST Association



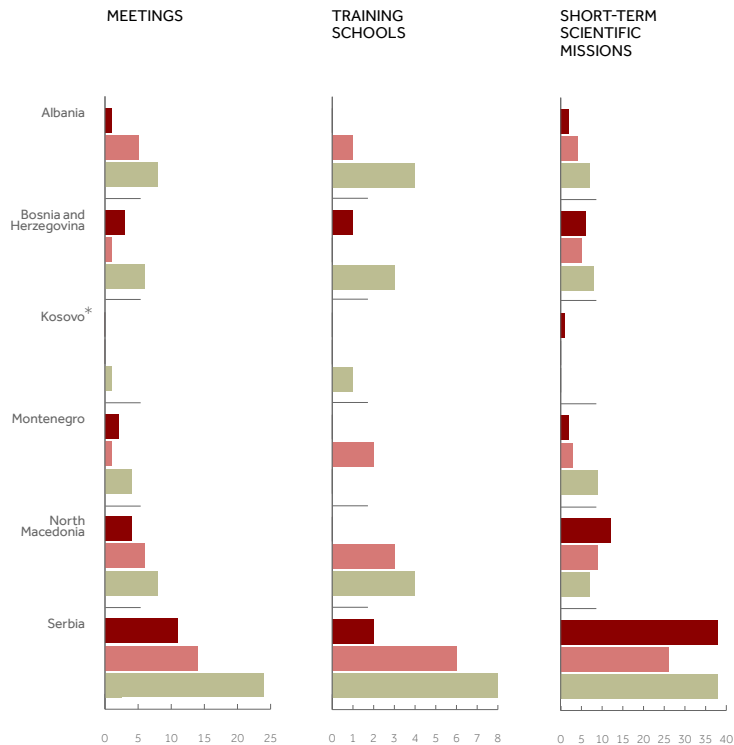
## Working group membership from the Western Balkans 2021-2023



# COST Action Mobility of Researchers and Innovators from the Western Balkans



# Action networking activities hosted in the Western Balkans

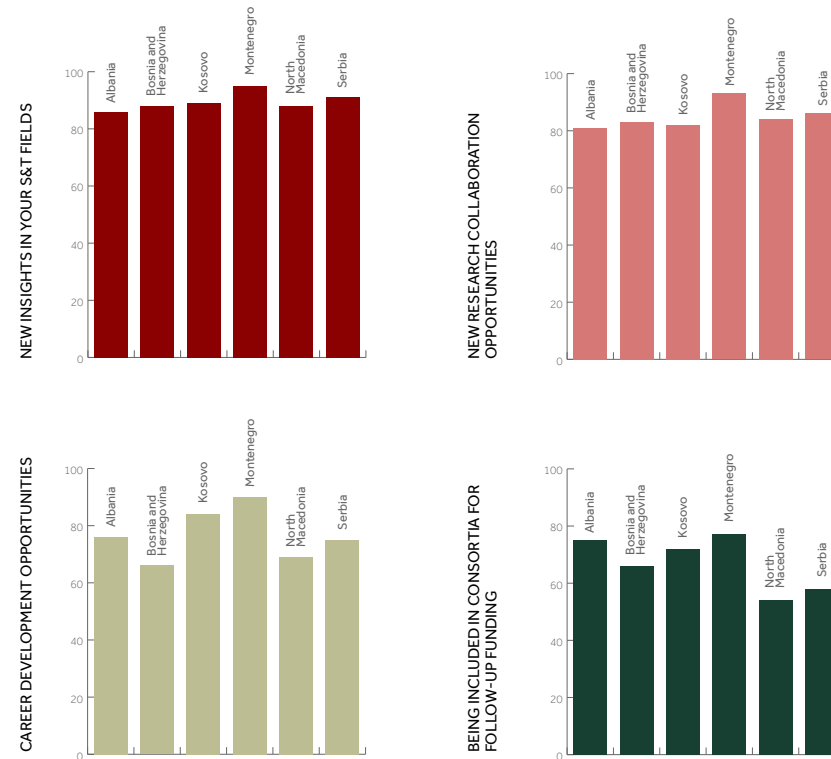


\*This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence

Action networking activities hosted in the Western Balkans, 2021-2023



# Impact of participation in COST Actions as perceived by researchers and innovators in the Western Balkans



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