

HARIDUS- JA NOORTEAMET

Estonia's first 25 years in COST: a brief history

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COST CSO and CNC in Estonia 2001–2018

COST Tree

Year 2006



Year 2022



In the wild, the *Tsuga canadensis* usually grows to a height of 18-21 m, with a maximum height of 53 m. Under very favorable conditions, their lifespan is over 800 years.

COST Estonia - personalized timeline

28.02. 1995

- Government of the Republic of Estonia appointed the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Estonia as the coordinator of the COST program (Order No. 198-k)
- A Cooperation Agreement was signed between the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Estonia and the University of Tartu, where Professor **Mati Karelson** was appointed the Estonian coordinator of COST

27.05.1997

- At the COST Ministerial Conference in Prague, the Republic of Estonia was accepted as a full member of COST

27.07.2001

- Government of the Republic of Estonia appointed the Ministry of Education as the coordinator of the EC COST (Order No. 557-k)

19.10. 2001

- Tõnis Lukas, Minister of Education appointed Ülle Must, a member of the Board of the Archimedes Foundation, as the Estonian representative of COST (Directive No. 603)

20.03.2014

- Government of the Republic of Estonia „Appointment and authorization of the state's membership rights in the international non-profit association COST Association (Order No. 95)

21.03.2014

- Jaak Aaviksoo, Minister of Education and Research appointed Ülle Must as the official and full representative of the Republic of Estonia to the CSO (Directive No. 134)

COST Estonia - personalized timeline

Presidents

- (Chairman) Gösta Diel
- Fransesco Fedi (2004-2010)
- ANGELES RODRÍGUEZ PEÑA (2010-2017)
- Sierd A.P.L. CLOETINGH

TC members

- The COST Technical Committees (TCs) are the key scientific level within the COST system, ensuring quality control of proposals (assessment) and ongoing monitoring and evaluation.
- Leo Mõtus Ilmar Kink Rein Vaikmäe Jaak Truu

DC members (2006)

- Aivo Vares, Andrus Tasa,Are Selge, Avo Karus, Jaak Truu, Juhan Sedman, Leo Mõtus, Marco Kirm, Mare Ainsaar, Merik Meriste, Mihkel Koel, Paavo Kaimre, Peeter Burk,Raul-Allan Kiivet , Rein Vaikmäe, Tiit Metsvahi, Tõnu Meidla, Toomas Tammaru, Urve Kallavus,

DC members 2012

- Jaak TRUU, Avo KARUS, Are SELGE, Katri OTS, Marco KIRM, Mihkel KOEL, Rein VAIKMAE, Merik MERISTE, Kaili MUURISEP, Marek Rannala, Kristiina TONNISSON

Scientific committee (2017)

- Ain Heinaru (2015-2017)
- Tõnu Meidla (2017-

Evaluation panel (2015-)

- Alvo Aabloo, Marko Kaasik, Jaak Truu, Katrin Heinsoo, Jaanua Harro, Sulev Kõks, Katri Ots, Katri Ling, Kristiina Tõnnisson, Sirje Virkus, Ellu Saar, Martin Ehala, Martin Hallik

What and Who to remember

- 788 nominations (in one Action 67,9%, in two Actions 18,5%, and in more than three Actions- 13,6%)
- Participants honest feedback – SWOT (2002, 2009), surveys (2009, 2013), brain-walk (2018)
- Sectoral and regional diversity of COST seminars, exploiting the potential of COST colleagues:
  - Tallinn-Tartu-Pühajärve-Haapsalu-Rakvere-Narva Jõesuu-Nakatu-Laulasmaa-Võru Kubija-Paide-Saka-Haapsalu-Soomaa-Setomaa
  - Eija Auranen - Gorm Bramsnaes-Erwin van Rij - Eleni Stavrianoudaki - Sylvian Joffre - Eva Klaper - Thierry Goger - John G. Bartzis - Luule Mizera - Christer Halen
  - Toivo Maimets (Final Review of COST in the Sixth Framework Programme FINAL PANEL REPORT; COST mid-term evaluation. FP7 interim evaluation)
- And, of course collegiality of CSO, and the ability to mobilize oneself in difficult moments (for example crisis in 2010)

How to describe COST in one sentence?

Opportunity to prove yourself