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Welcome

This is the fifth Newsletter of the COST Action 'The geography of New Working Spaces and Impact on the Periphery' (CA18214).

The Newsletter aims to inform you about the main activities of the network and the current work of the WGs. You will also find the most important actions and dates within the current Grant Period.

Enjoy the reading!

The CA18214 **calls for more involvement of all COST members in the WG activities and contribution to the data collection**

Our network

The network of CA18214 is signed by **30 COST members** Albania, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Malta, Moldova, Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Slovenia and the United Kingdom.

1 COST Near Neighbour country

Lebanon

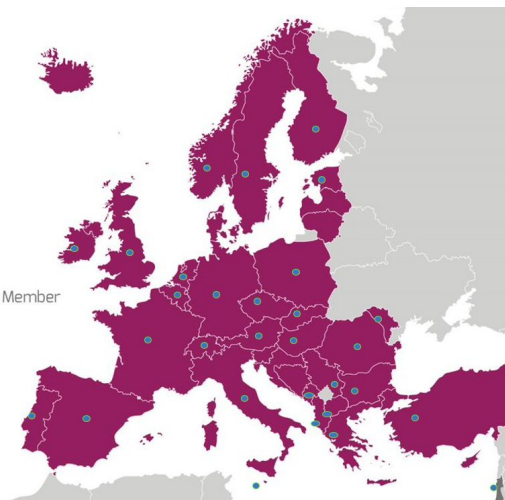
4 Observer country

USA, Canada, Brazil, Argentina

10 Countries are still missing

Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Montenegro.

● COST Members
● COST Cooperating Member





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Participation

How we work

The Working Groups of the CA18214 meet periodically via Zoom and discuss via Slack on the channels WG1_taxonomy, WG2_atlas, WG3_toolbox and WG4_dissemination. If you are not registered in any of those channels, please contact Ilaria Mariotti (Chair and Grant Holder Representative, ilaria.mariotti@polimi.it), Pavel Bednář (Vice Chair, bednar@utb.cz) and Harris Grigoropoulos (harris.grigoro@gmail.com)

The results of WG groups are presented through the deliverables, conferences, special sessions and scientific publications.

If you are interested in contributing to the deliverables, please contact WG1 leader Grzegorz Micek (grzegorz.micek@uj.edu.pl), WG2 leader Mina Akhavan (mina.akhavan@polimi.it), WG3 leader Carolina Pacchi (carolina.pacchi@polimi.it), WG4 leader Chiara Tagliaro (chiara.tagliaro@polimi.it)

If you want to organize conferences, special sessions and round tables, as well as proposing special issues, **please check regularly** [FINAL_CA18214_Monitoring_of_dissemination_and_communication_activities_MDM.xlsx - Google Sheets](#) and **register your name as organizer**. If you have **new publications**, please fill the same form!

If you want to communicate through the social media of the CA18214, please contact the Communication Team
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-Helyaneh Aboutalebi Tabrizi, WG member Norway and PhD (ITN Coral, Politecnico di Milano) helyaneh.aboutalebi@polimi.it

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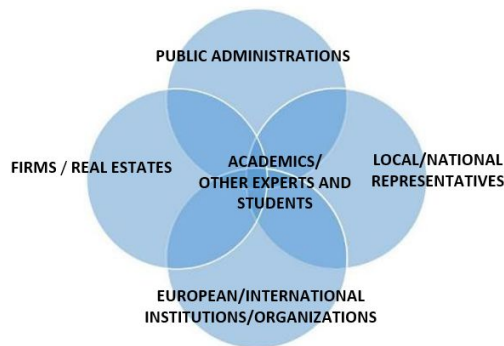
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Open calls

Call for more stakeholders and organization of annual National Workshops

Although we have many partners, we are looking for more involvement from

- **Public administrations**, which are (can be) committed in fostering new working spaces and/or strengthening the development of peripheral areas, as **city municipalities, metropolitan and/or regional institutions, and national governments**
- **Firms (single or associations), real estates**, as well as the **third sector and civil society** organizations, which are interested in the management and/or use of new workplaces,
- **Local and national representatives** of trade unions, which are dealing with the ongoing radical changes in the labour market;
- **Representative of European institutions and organisations of employers and employees** are also principle-targeted audiences.



The COST members are encouraged to develop their actions at the European, national and local levels. Please help us to extend our network with the stakeholders. **The COST members are invited to identity further stakeholders. These contacts will be part of our mailing lists for future COST activities.**

Workshops at national level involve policy makers, planners, academic participants and stakeholders in a collaborative learning process about location patterns, direct and indirect effects, and policy and planning measures related to NeWSp.

Each Country should organize at least an annual workshop in 2022 and 2023 and report on it to the WG4 (for the report, please contact Chiara Tagliaro WG4 leader). Guidelines for the structure and organization of the workshop are available at [NATIONAL AND EUROPEAN WORKSHOPS - Google Drive](#) or contact for further explanations Petr Dubovský (Responsible for the Horizontal Activities with help of Mina Di Marino, SCM)



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STSM 2022

The COST Action CA18214 aims to exchange visits which support researchers' individual mobility, strengthen existing networks and foster collaboration. The Short Term Scientific Missions (STSMs) are intended especially, but not solely, for young researchers. Please contact Ilaria Mariotti (Chair and Grant Holder Representative, ilaria.mariotti@polimi.it, STSM Coordinator is Eva Belvončíková (eva.belvoncikova@euba.sk), the Grant Awarding Coordinator is Lukas Danko (danko@utb.cz). For further info visit our slack platform. Details on STSMs tasks are available at webpage [at https://www.nmbu.no/en/projects/new-working-spaces/activities/node/38913](https://www.nmbu.no/en/projects/new-working-spaces/activities/node/38913)

STSM approved in 2022

1. Ayman Kassem from Ajman University, UAE, going to TUM (Technical University of Munich), Germany
2. Viktoriia Zhurbas Lytvyn from UCA, Kyiv, Ukraine is going to Center for Workplace Research (CWER), Prague University of Economics and Business, Czech Republic
3. Eva Belvončíková from University of Economics in Bratislava, Slovakia is going to DINÂMIA'CET_iscte, University Institute of Lisbon, Portugal

- **Short Term Scientific Mission and Virtual Mobility Grant for Ukraine researchers**, please visit the website, <https://www.nmbu.no/en/projects/new-working-spaces/about/news/node/45385>

VIRTUAL NETWORKING SUPPORT GRANT 2022

Virtual Networking Support (VNS) Grant 2021-2022 aim to strengthen the existing networks by allowing scientists to foster collaboration in a virtual setting, to exchange knowledge, learn new techniques and disseminate the Action results. Further info on VM tasks are available at <https://www.nmbu.no/en/projects/new-working-spaces/activities/node/38913>. For information contact Ilaria Mariotti (Chair and Grant Holder Representative, ilaria.mariotti@polimi.it)

VM Grants approved in 2022

1. Ilaria Mariotti, DASTU, Politecnico di Milano, VM management
2. Gislene Feiten Haubrich, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, VM grantee for WG\$
3. Liliia Mitina, Kyiv IT Cluster, VM grantee for Ukraine Project
4. Blanca Monni, Betahaus, Berlin, VM grantee for Ukraine Project



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Summary 2022
Other activities
Outcomes

- **ITC conference grants strengthened** international cooperation and dissemination of contributions regarding WG2 and WG3. Grantees (2) from the Czech Republic and Poland will participate in special sessions on development of NeWSps and their impacts.
- **FIRST EUROPEAN WORKSHOP organized by the COST Action CA18124**, EU discussants (such as policy makers, stakeholders and researchers, as well as COST members met together **on May 18, 2022**, and they had a very successful Workshop, with 52 participants (in hybrid form). Inspiring inputs will help our COST Action CA18214 to move further with new collaborations and research. <https://www.nmbu.no/en/projects/new-working-spaces/about/news/node/45451>
- **UPCOMING NATIONAL WORKSHOPS** COST members from Greece are planning the National Workshop in September.



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Working Group 1

WG1 Glossary and Taxonomy focuses on a comprehensive overview of new working spaces (NeWSp) in Europe and outside.

The WG1 members have finalized D.1.3. Database of WG1 findings: typologies and location patterns of new working spaces; D.1.4. Summary report of WG1 findings: Typologies and location patterns of NeWSpS, which belong to the tasks of the second grant period (Task 1.3 Geographical distribution and location patterns with a specific focus on peripheral areas).

The deliverables will be evaluated soon by external reviewers as required by the COST Action.

WG1 group is currently working on a Springer publication which focuses on the main results from the D.1.1, D.1.2, D.1.3 and D.1.4

Working Group 2

WG2 Atlas focuses on the development of an '**Atlas**' of **best practices** about new working spaces concerning the effects of the such workplaces and workers performance (**direct effects**), and the built environment (**indirect effects**): Task 2.1. Collection of studies, data and practices about the direct effects of new working spaces (**direct effects**) and Task 2.2. Collection of studies, data and practices about the **indirect effects** on the urban socio-economic environment with a specific focus on peripheral areas.

WG2 has recently completed the COST Working paper –Exploring immediate effects of the Covid-19 Pandemic on New Working Spaces: Worldwide narratives by the academia and media <https://www.nmbu.no/en/projects/new-working-spaces/about/news/node/45437>

This is a cross-country collection of narrations and evidence considering the immediate effects of the Covid-19 pandemic on **NeWSp**; what we know from reading of newspapers, blogs and other social media, as well as national and local measures.

17 Countries have contributed as follows: Estonia, France, Germany, Ireland, Norway, Portugal, Netherlands, Switzerland, Czech Republic, Greece, Italy, Malta, Republic of North Macedonia, Romania, Slovakia, USA, and Lebanon.

WG2 Survey is going to be launched in June and completed by September 2022, for info contact Actio Chair Ilaria Mariotti and WG2 leader Mina Akhavan

WG2 group is currently working on a Springer publication which focuses on a further development of the working paper. Please contact WG2 leader Mina Akhavan, if you want to contribute or visit Slack channel.



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Working Group 3

WG3 Tool Box focuses on the Collection of the policy tools that have been implemented at national, regional and local levels, and their effects on new working spaces. This knowledge will allow to develop a tool box containing strengths and weaknesses related to the activation and non activation of policy tools. (see task 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 of the Memorandum of Understanding)

The WG3 has launched a survey on NeWSps related policies and guidelines. The aim is to collect information on policies to work on a comparative assessment of practices and provide recommendations towards a common European framework for promoting NeWSps (among the countries involved in the survey: the Czech Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Romania, the United Kingdom, Norway, Slovakia and the USA)

Working Group 4

WG4 Dissemination focuses on the dissemination of the main results of the COST Action CA18214 which concerns the following tasks: Task 4.1 is dedicated to the dissemination of the results that will be presented in national and international scientific conferences, refereed journal articles and reports, and through videos and podcasts. Task 4.2 focuses on knowledge transfer at all levels, including the possibility for science education and training. In particular, through a mix of face-to-face events (interviews, meetings and workshops) the objective is to empower stakeholders and academics.

WG4 is currently developing multimedia contents (videos coordinated by Chiara Tagliaro while podcasts are coordinated by Tomas Bata University in Zlín, with Emmanuel Costa and Chiara Tagliaro), as well as iv) networking sites for scientists and researchers (**see our profile** <https://www.researchgate.net/project/COST-ACTION-CA18214-The-Geography-of-New-Working-Spaces-and-the-Impact-on-the-Periphery> (Gisleine Feiten Haubrich, WG4)

Since October 2019, the Science Communication Manager is monitoring the dissemination activities and publications, organizations of conferences, roundtables and special sessions, as well as new research projects, which are based on networks among the COST members. <https://www.nmbu.no/en/projects/new-working-spaces/deliverables>



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Roundtables
Special
sessions
and Summer
School, 2022

- AESOP Annual Congress *Space for Species: Redefining Spatial Justice*, Tartu July 25-29, 2022. Roundtable on **'New Working Spaces: resilience and implications for spatial policies and planning'** **Organizers:** Mina Di Marino, Norwegian University of Life Sciences, (NO), Stefano Di Vita, DASTu-Politecnico di Milano, (IT), Divya Leduq, University of Tours, (FR), Priscilla Ananian, Université du Québec, (CA) and Carolina Pacchi, DASTu-Politecnico di Milano, (IT). **The discussants** will be Diane Gabrielle Tremblay - TÉLUQ - (CA); Christophe Demazière, University of Tours, (FR); Bruno Moriset, University of Lyon (FR); Ianira Vassallo, Politecnico di Torino, (IT); Jessica Ferm, Bartlett (UK), and Kimmo Lapintie, Aalto University, (FI). [AESOP Annual Congress 2022 - Tartu, Estonia: 25-29 July 2022 - AESOP \(aesop-planning.eu\)](#)
- III Transdisciplinary Workplace Research TWR, 7-10 September, Milan 2022 -**SPECIAL SESSION 'The geography of New Working Spaces and Impact on the Periphery'** **Organizers:** Thérèse Bajada (MT), Divya Leduq, University of Tours, (FR), Elisabete Tomaz, Instituto Universitário de Lisboa, (PT), Mina Di Marino, Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NO), Christophe Demazière, University of Tours (FR) and Bernadine Satariano, University of Malta (MT). This special session intends to have contributions from various disciplines that can **extend the debate on NeWSp and their effects, both direct and indirect**. [III TWR Conference - Transdisciplinary Workplace Research - REC - Real Estate Center \(polimi.it\)](#)
- RSA 2022 - Regions in Recovery. Special session 'Collaborative workspaces and rural development' co-organized by the ITN CORAL and CA18214. **Organizers:** Vasilis Avdikos, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, (GR), Sunitje Schmidt, Leibniz Institute for Research on Society and Space (IRS), Germany; Ilaria Mariotti, DASTu-Politecnico di Milano, (IT); Thilo Lang, Leibniz Institute for Regional Geography (IfL), (GE); Ignasi Capdevila, Paris School of Business, (FR) [2022 Regions in Recovery Special Sessions - RSA Main \(regionalstudies.org\)](#)
- AISRE, **XLIII CONFERENZA SCIENTIFICA ANNUALE, 2022, Città e Regioni in transizione**, 5-7 September, Milan 2022. **SPECIAL SESSION 'Remote working and new geography of work'** **Organizers:** Ilaria Mariotti, DASTu-Politecnico di Milano, (IT), D. Constantin, Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest, (RO), P. Bednár, University of Zlin, (CZ) [XLIII Conferenza scientifica annuale, 2022 - A.I.S.Re - Associazione Italiana di Scienze Regionali \(aisre.it\)](#)
- **The 5th Summer School on Workplace Management - SSWM 2022**, will be co-organized by the Real Estate Center, Department of Architecture, Built Environment and Construction Engineering and the Department of Architecture and Urban Studies of Politecnico di Milano, with COST Action CA18214. The SSWM focuses on the new working spaces and new trends in the local and international contexts through a workshop-like approach. Have a look at this **amazing video on the last edition SSWM 2021**: https://youtu.be/7JdBV_6fUT8u. The **SSWM 2022** will take place from June 27 to July 15 with the possibility to attend only 1 week (4-9 July); more info here <https://www.rec.polimi.it/sswm/> on organization and lecturers. **Scholarships are available for CA18214 members.**



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Publications
2022

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BOOK CHAPTER 2020-2022

- <https://www.nmbu.no/en/projects/new-working-spaces/deliverables/node/41682>

PUBLICATIONS ON SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS 2020-2022

- <https://www.nmbu.no/en/projects/new-working-spaces/deliverables/node/38920>

- **Edited volume The COVID-19 pandemic and the Future of Working Spaces** *In Routledge-RSA Regions & Cities Book Series – Regions, Cities and Covid-19* (Eds.) Ilaria Mariotti (IT), Mina Di Marino (NO) and Pavel Bednář (CZ) **in press, pre-order in July and book available in August 2022.**
- **Webinar for disseminating the book** will be held on October 19, 2022, that is arranged by Daniela Carl, Regional Studies Association.
- **7th MC meeting (including WG meetings)** was held in hybrid form (in Utrecht and online), that was co-organized with the COST Members from the Netherlands, May 18 and 19, 2022 <https://www.nmbu.no/en/projects/new-working-spaces/activities/node/38916>
- **Coworking symposium** co-organized by Marko Orel and CA18124 has been postponed to December 8, 2022, Prague. several experts on the coworking phenomenon from different disciplines will participate to the Symposium. Among the participants, there are several COST Members. [Coworking Symposium 2022 co-organized by Marko Orel and COST Action CA18214 | NMBU](#)
- COST Action CA18214 is producing several videos. We created a **youtube channel** Videos about our summer school and co-organized international conferences are available. Have a look at the link [The geography of New Working Spaces and Impact on the Periphery – YouTube](#)
- **Successful stories from the CA18214 to the EU community** [COST Action blog: New Working Spaces and young talented researchers - COST](#)



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Social media

- **European Union Website:** <https://www.cost.eu/actions/CA18214>
- **Project Website:** <http://www.new-working-spaces.eu/>
- **FB page** <https://www.facebook.com/COSTActionCA18214NeW.Sp>
- **Twitter** <https://twitter.com/newworkingspace>
- **Linkedin** <https://www.linkedin.com/company/cost-action-ca-18214/>
- **FB group (Italy) Coworkers in emergenza Covid19** Italian language
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/886380135100739>
- **FB group (Malta) Coworking environments** English language
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1229143667449691>

**Internal
Communication/
Dissemination
platform**

- **SLACK** -Internal communication among the COST members
costaction18214.slack Please visit it regularly!
- **Research Gate**
Please open an account and follow the CA18214 Research gate
page <https://www.researchgate.net/project/COST-ACTION-CA18214-The-Geography-of-New-Working-Spaces-and-the-Impact-on-the-Periphery>