# Call for Working Group member applications to ETPLAS Working Groups to deliver activities within the EU funded Preparatory Action Grant – Promoting alternatives to animal testing through accessible and harmonised education and training

Grant nr: 09.200200.A092004/2021/864077/SUB/ENV.B.2

Grant period: January 2022 – December 2024

**Candidates can either apply themselves or be nominated by a sponsor/ nominator.**

## Project information[[1]](#footnote-1)

The objective of the project is to facilitate the process of mutual recognition of, and access to quality education and training in laboratory animal science. The project will build on the deliverables of the first EU funded project run by ETPLAS during 2019 and 2020.

**The action has 6 activities each with its specific objective:**

1. Expansion of training assessment criteria for functions B and C as defined in the Directive.
2. Expansion of the question database for theoretical core and functions A, B and C specific modules.
3. Development of formal training assessment tools for course providers on the ETPLAS web platform.
4. Extension of Direct Observation of Procedural Skills (DOPS) database for further eModules (with attention also to those being developed under a separate service contract under the same EP Preparatory Action) to support harmonised assessment of practical skills and thus raising standards for the care and humane use of animals.
5. Development of a Union wide continuing professional development (CPD) framework for the field of laboratory animal science (LAS) to facilitate harmonised approach to maintenance of competence as required by the Directive.
6. Further development of ETPLAS platform to allow incorporation of educational tools in relation to the Three Rs and non-animal approaches for all levels (from primary, to secondary schools, to universities and early career scientists) and ensuring an intuitive user experience to search and access to relevant material and tools for trainees, course providers and authorities.

**Each of the activities will be delivered through a Working Group.**

## Applications

Each application should include:

1. A filled out copy of this form (see overleaf).
2. An up-to-date CV (which should comply with Europass standard (<https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/editors/en/cv/compose>).
3. Documentation to support the application to one of the 6 activities (e.g. experience as a LAS trainer/ course provider/ accreditor/ competent authority member, etc.

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**Send requested documents to:**

Secretary
Education and Training Platform for Laboratory Animal Science (ETPLAS)
**Email address:** **secretary@etplas.eu**

**Deadline for applications to be considered: February 28, 2022.**

1. The project summary is made available as a separate document. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)