Opportunities for Czech evaluators in the COST-Action PROFEEDBACK Cost-action project (CA20112)

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PlatfoRm OF policy Evaluation community for improvED EU policies and Better ACKnowledgement

- analysing the theoretical and methodological questions of evaluation policy research putting special focus on Cohesion Policy,
- enriching scientific research of policy evaluation and addressing new challenges,
- harmonizing fragmented approaches to set the research agenda and to get a common understanding,
- contributing to the capacity building of the policy evaluation community,
- involving national and EU policy-makers and the civil society to contribute to evidence-based policymaking,
- framing a Code of Conduct for the policy evaluation community.

Working groups in the project

- ▶ WG1: Theoretical concepts of policy evaluation
 - ► Training school (July 2023)
 - Publication effort
- WG2: Quantitative evaluation methods
 - ► Training school (Spring 2024)
 - Educational project (in development)
 - Workshop on digitalization plus proposal for a special issue
- WG3: Qualitative evaluation methods
 - ► Training school (Spring 2025)

Outputs of the project

- Conferences (until now three already organized)
- ProfeedBOOKs <u>access here</u> (until now two have been published)
- ▶ ProfeedBASE <u>access here</u> (database of members, and outputs)
- ▶ ProfeedCOURSEs <u>access here</u> (until now one has been published)
- ▶ Policy briefs (initiative to be published in the autumn 2023)

Conferences

- 2022/1: Evaluation of public policy responses to "black swans" (crises like COVID-19) – 28 APRIL 2022 – BUDAPEST, HUNGARY
- ➤ 2022/2: Social Inclusion, Migration (in particular interventions related to integration/assimilation) 12 SEPTEMBER 2022 MARIBOR, SLOVENIA
- 2023/1: Rural and Territorial Development, Urban Development 18 MAY 2023 – BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA
- 2023/2: Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation, Green Transition, Circular Economy – OCTOBER 2023 – BELGRADE, SERBIA
- 2024/1: Social Policy, Social Innovation, Quality of Life, Public Health TO BE ANNOUNCED
- 2024/2: Business Development, SMEs, Entrepreneurship, Competitiveness
 TO BE ANNOUNCED
- ▶ 2025/1: Research and Innovation, Digitalization TO BE ANNOUNCED
- ▶ 2025/2: Public Education, Youth Policy TO BE ANNOUNCED

Support available

- ▶ Travel grants for conferences within the PROFEEDBACK (EUR 350 for travel plus per diems)
 - https://profeedback.eu/mobility-grants/
- Inclusiveness target countries conference grants (outside the PROFEEDBACK) upon justified request.
 - ▶ Up to EUR 850
 - For young researchers
 - https://profeedback.eu/2022/12/20/open-call-inclusiveness-target-countriesconference-grants//
- **▶** Short-Term Scientific Missions Grants
 - ▶ Up to EUR 1250
 - Visits of other members in the PROFEEDBACK
- Publishing grants:
 - Covering proofreading and open access costs for manuscripts written by at least three authors from PROFEEDBACK members.

Conclusions

- ▶ The project is open for everybody.
- ▶ It is up to you how active you will be.
- ► More information available:
- Website of the project: https://profeedback.eu/about/
- Email address: oto.potluka@gmail.com
- Next events:
- PROFEEDBACK conference (9.-10. October 2023, Belgrad, Serbia)
- ▶ EES online conference (15.-11. November 2023, online)

▶ https://profeedback.eu/