



Call for experts

to represent ECOS in the field of

Microplastics

Application deadline: 4 September 2026

ECOS is looking for experts in the field of **microplastics** to represent and defend environmental interests in the development of standards and related policies. Our experts provide us with technical and scientific input and represent ECOS in standardisation processes and multi-stakeholder discussions.

Interested candidates should be able to demonstrate in-depth technical and scientific knowledge on one or several sources of microplastics, e.g. tyres, textiles, paints, or plastic pellets, as well as effective emission abatement strategies and/or pellet loss calculation methodologies. They should have a good understanding of state-of-the-art methodologies to detect and characterise microplastics in different biota, as well as about research into associated ecological impacts and risks to human health. Knowledge of plastics and textiles policies at international or national level will be considered an asset.

Candidates should demonstrate commitment to environmental values and have proven written and oral communication and negotiation skills. Fluency in English is required. Occasional travel may be required.

About ECOS

ECOS is an international NGO with a network of members and experts advocating for environmentally friendly technical standards, policies and laws. With 20 years of experience, ECOS represents over 50 national and European members, including the European Environmental Bureau, Friends of the Earth Europe, Transport & Environment and WWF. ECOS is a partner organisation of the standardisation organisations CEN and CENELEC, a member of ETSI and a liaison organisation to IEC & ISO.

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ECOS advocates policies and standards to end plastic pollution, including microplastics. We are an official observer to the negotiations on an international plastic treaty, and advocate for ambitious EU policies to reduce microplastics from various sources, including tyres, pellets, and textiles. We are also involved in various standardisation procedures with relevance to microplastics, e.g. tyre abrasion at UNECE or microplastic standardisation at ISO and CEN.

The nominated experts will, depending on assignment:

- Participate in technical meetings of [CEN](#) and [ISO](#) to promote ECOS position.
- Prepare technical input through official comments and contribution to ECOS position papers.
- Report to and liaise with the responsible ECOS Programme Manager.
- Exchange information with ECOS member organisations and other experts when needed.

ECOS offers:

- A daily fee for preparation of meetings, participation and reporting, as well as other relevant tasks.
- Reimbursement of travel costs.
- Per diem to cover accommodation and subsistence costs.

How to apply

Please send your **CV** and **cover letter** outlining your motivation and demonstrating your suitability to support and represent ECOS to Luca Boniolo (luca.boniolo@ecostandard.org) by **4 September 2026**.

Applications will be assessed by the secretariat on a rolling basis, applying ECOS procurement policy. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Concerning the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in applications

We are interested in getting to know your authentic self and your unique set of skills and experiences, which cannot be generated by AI. Please therefore limit the use of AI to reformulation and be aware of its environmental impact. If you have used AI for any part of your application, please declare it and indicate which AI tools you have used and for what purpose.