



### 2012 COLOSS Conference

The latest COLOSS Conference and Management Committee meeting was held in Halle, Germany at the beginning of September alongside the EurBee Conference.

Over 100 participants took part in lively discussions relating to honey bee colony losses as well as past accomplishments.

All working groups decided to carry on beyond COST financial support and made future plans on how to proceed with our research network.



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#### Early Stage Researchers



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The event gave opportunities to Early Stage Researchers to speak about their research that relate to COLOSS and honey bee colony losses.

Here, Gina Tanner (Swiss Bee Research Centre) presented results from a study conceived during the recent Istanbul COLOSS Workshop that compares individual versus group inoculation of *Nosema* spores in the laboratory .



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Members from each of COLOSS' four Working Groups also presented their efforts. Lead researchers from Working Group 4 co-presented results from their pan-European Genotype-Environment Interactions study. Results will appear in an upcoming special issue of the *Journal of Apicultural Research*.