

National Association representative,

ASTP-Proton is pleased to announce the official launch of the annual survey for financial year 2016 (FY2016). Data on knowledge transfer activities can now be submitted until March 18, 2018.

ASTP-Proton's goal is to collect and analyse relevant data from as many European countries and as many knowledge and technology transfer organizations (KTOs) as possible to be able to provide a report with a representative overview of European KTO's activity and output. To achieve that goal we would appreciate your kind support in collecting data from your national KTOs.

### **How can we cooperate?**

Ideally you inform your members about this survey and motivate them to participate and submit their data directly to ASTP-Proton via the SurveyGizmo platform following this link:

<https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/4118883/ASTP-Proton-survey-FY2016>

For their convenience, we have in addition enclosed the survey as a pdf file for their review of the questions in advance and to be able to collect data before beginning the survey online.

We are happy to share the data that we receive from your national KTOs with you, if they allow us to do so (by default all data that are submitted are treated as confidential). To allow the data sharing from KTOs with their respective national association, we have inserted an additional question (Question 6) in our current questionnaire in which participants can name the organization or individual with which or whom ASTP-Proton may share their submitted data.

Please advise national KTOs in your communications about this survey to enter the name of your national association (or in case of an informal network the representing organization or person) when filling out the survey). We would highly appreciate your cooperation and reminding national KTOs to fill in the data before the survey closes (March 18, 2018).

### **Why would it make sense for you to work together with ASTP Proton?**

With the overview and benchmarking information that this Europe-wide survey and resulting report provides, you will be able to compare the activities and output of the KTOs in your country to their peers elsewhere in Europe and use this information to influence national and European knowledge and technology transfer (or even research) funding strategies. Based on the data from this FY2016 survey we strive to provide normalized data and new metrics for better comparison.

For any matters concerning the survey, please do not hesitate to contact us at [survey@astp-proton.eu](mailto:survey@astp-proton.eu)

Note that the FY2015 report is now available online: <https://www.astp-proton.eu/resource-center/publications/>

Please feel free to forward the link and notify your members of the possibility to download the report. However please don't distribute the report as it is important for us to know which organization is interested and has actually received the report.

We strive to let our data and analysis be a meaningful reflection of knowledge and technology transfer activity and output in Europe and therefore depend on significant participation from across all of Europe. Therefore, we would like to let you know that we highly value your willingness to cooperate and your continued support!

Best regards,  
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