

Информационен Семинар

"Възможности за финансиране на научни и иновационни проекти по  $\label{eq:2.1} \mbox{Рамковата програма на ЕС"}$ 

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# Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

# Individual Fellowships

Individual Fellowships (IF) are a great option if you are an experienced researcher looking to give your career a boost by working abroad.

#### USING MORILITY AS A DRIVER FOR COOPERATION

Mobility is a key characteristic of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions. The MSCA promote international collaboration and sharing of ideas between different sectors and research disciplines.

Within HZ02D, the MSCA play a key role in building international collaborations and attracting and retaining researchers in Europe. The MSCA also back initiatives that break down barriers between academia and other socio-economic sectors. In addition, they reach out to the public with events that promote the benefit – and educational side – of science.

In brief, the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions provide funding for the following goals, which are reflected in the various types of MSCA actions:

Supporting researcher training and career development under excellent working conditions

Promoting international mobility

Impacting researcher's careers, organisations and structures

Delivering excellent research on topics decided by researchers themselves, in all domains of research and innovation

Developing excellent training programmes, notably doctoral programmes, including joint and industrial degrees

Stimulating international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary cooperation and

## MSCA support researchers worldwide at any stage of their careers



#### Individual Fellowships

#### What does it offer?

IF allow experienced researchers or postdocs to work on personal research projects together with the institution of their choice and boost their career through high-quality training and skills development. IF also allows researchers to:

- resume research after a career break
- return to Europe after carrying out research abroad
- work on R&I projects outside the academic sector

### Who applies?

Individual researchers together with their (return) host organisation in the EU or Associated countries.

## Who is funded?

Experienced researchers1 of any nationality.

## MSCA ACTIONS

The Seal of Excellence is a quality label awarded to high-quality proposals for Individual Fellowships which were not funded due to budget constraints.

Its goal is to help them find alternative funding.



# Funders in 9 countries so far have created schemes to fund MSCA Seal of Excellence recepients



More than
6,000 researchers
have received the Seal of
Excellence so far

- Experienced Researchers (ER) are in possession of a doctoral degree or have at least four years of full-time equivalent experience.
- Early-Stage Researchers (ESR) must be in the first four years of their research careers (full-time equivalent research experience) and not yet have been awarded a doctoral degree.



## MSCA fund and consolidate research cooperation

### A GROWING BUDGET AND PARTICIPATION

The MSCA budget has increased steadily over the years. The current budget (2014-2020) under Horizon 2020 is 6.2 billion euro and represents around 8% of the overall H2020 budget. The MSCA budget is allocated according to the objectives of the programme and the demand for each of the actions, Innovative Training Networks and Individual Fellowships being the actions with more funding.



## Participation and budget by groups of countries

MSCA have a high participation of EU Member States, but also of Associated Countries and Third Countries. "Widening Countries":, a transversal group of EU and associated countries with a modest participation in H2020. account for nearly 9% of all MSCA participations?



Share of participations in MSCA - Groups of countries

EU Member States: Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Croatia, Hungary, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Latvia, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, and Slovenia.

Luxembourg, Latvia, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

Associated Countries: Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Faroe Islands, Georgia, Moldova,
North Macedonia. Monteneoro. Serbia. Tunisia. Turkey and Ukraine.

Number of times organisations participate in various MSCA projects.

## MSCA has a positive effect on fellows' careers. According to Individual MSCA fellows:

Around 95% are employed after their MSCA fellowship

Around 80% are very satisfied with the innovative research training and professional development opportunities

Around 60% believe that without MSCA it would have taken longer to move on in their career

Around 40% were promoted to more senor positions after their MSCA fellowshy, most attribute this to participation in MSCA

## AND IMPROVE JOB PROSPECTS

# Organisations also report benefits from participating in the MSCA:

- 1 in 3 says MSCA funding helps create additional jobs on top of those financed by the programme
- Around one third says MSCA helps them retain excellent researchers in Europe
- MSCA allow EU Member States in particular to attract back their diaspora



Share of fellows in Individual Fellowships returning to their home countries

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