**Workshop "Applying for Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships"** 

**Evaluation and application – experiences of a reviewer** 







# Award criteria | Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships



Excellence	Impact	Quality and efficiency of the implementation
Quality and credibility of the research/innovation project; level of novelty, appropriate consideration of inter/multidisciplinary and gender aspects	Enhancing the potential and future career prospects of the researcher	Coherence and effectiveness of the work plan
Quality and appropriateness of the training and of the two way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host	Quality of the proposed measures to exploit and <b>disseminate</b> the project results	Appropriateness of the allocation of tasks and resources
Quality of the supervision and of the integration in the team/institution	Quality of the proposed measures to <b>communicate</b> the project activities to different target audiences	Appropriateness of the management structure and procedures, including risk management
Capacity of the researcher to reach or re-enforce a position of professional maturity/independence		Appropriateness of the <b>institutional environment</b> (infrastructure)
50%	30%	20%
Weighting		
1	2	3
Priority in case of ex aequo		
NB: An overall threshold of 70% will be applied to the total weighted score.		



## Marie Skłodowska-Curie IF | Example Proposal template



PROPOSAL ACRONYM – Standard EF / CAR / RI / GF / SE (Delete as appropriate and include as header on each page)

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### 1. Excellence<sup>25</sup>

# 1.1 Quality and credibility of the research/innovation action (level of novelty, appropriate consideration of inter/multidisciplinary and gender aspects)

You should develop your proposal according to the following lines:

- Introduction, state-of-the-art, objectives and overview of the action
- Research methodology and approach: highlight the type of research / innovation activities proposed
- Originality and innovative aspects of the research programme: explain the
  contribution that the action is expected to make to advancements within
  the action field. Describe any novel concepts, approaches or methods that
  will be employed.
- The gender dimension in the research content (if relevant)
- · The interdisciplinary aspects of the action (if relevant)
- Explain how the high-quality, novel research is the most likely to open up the best career possibilities for the experienced researcher and new collaboration opportunities for the host organisation(s).

## 1.2 Quality and appropriateness of the training and of the two way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host

Describe the training that will be offered.

Outline how a two way transfer of knowledge will occur between the researcher and the host institution(s):

- Explain how the experienced researcher will gain new knowledge during the fellowship at the hosting organisation(s)
- Outline the previously acquired knowledge and skills that the researcher will transfer to the host organisation(s).

For Global Fellowships explain how the newly acquired skills and knowledge in the Third Country will be transferred back to the host institution in Europe (the beneficiary) during the incoming phase.

## 1.3 Quality of the supervision and of the integration in the team/institution

[...]

### 2. Impact

## 2.1 Enhancing the potential and future career prospects of the researcher

Explain the expected <u>impact of the planned research and training</u> on the career prospects of the experienced researcher after the fellowship. Which <u>new competences</u> will be acquired?

## 2.2 Quality of the proposed measures to exploit and disseminate the action results

Describe how the new knowledge generated by the action will be disseminated and exploited, e.g. communicated, transferred into other research settings or, if appropriate, commercialised.

What is the dissemination strategy - targeted at scientists, potential users and to the wider research and innovation community - to achieve the potential impact of the action?

Please make also reference to the "Dissemination & exploitation" section of the H2020 Online Manual<sup>27</sup>.

The following section of the European Charter for Researchers refers specifically to dissemination:

[...]

### 3. Quality and Efficiency of the Implementation

#### 3.1 Coherence and effectiveness of the work plan

The proposal should be designed in such a way to achieve the desired impact. A Gantt Chart should be included in the text listing the following:

- Work Packages titles (for EF there should be at least 1 WP);
- List of major deliverables, if applicable;<sup>30</sup>
- List of major milestones, if applicable;<sup>31</sup>
- Secondments, if applicable.

The schedule should be in terms of number of months elapsed from the start of the action.

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Each criterion will be scored out of 5. Decimal points may be given. The scores indicate the following with respect to the criterion under examination:

- 0 Proposal fails to address the criterion or cannot be assessed due to missing or incomplete information.
- 1 Poor. The criterion is inadequately addressed, or there are serious inherent weaknesses.
- 2 Fair. Proposal broadly addresses the criterion, but there are significant weaknesses.
- 3 Good. Proposal addresses the criterion well, but a number of shortcomings are present.
- 4 Very Good. Proposal addresses the criterion very well, but a small number of shortcomings are present.
- 5 Excellent. Proposal successfully addresses all relevant aspects of the criterion. Any shortcomings are minor.