



Marie Skłodowska- Curie Actions

under Horizon Europe

Postdoctoral Fellowships

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MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships

- Main Objectives:
 - **Foster excellence** through implementation of research project
 - Enhance the **creative and innovative potential** of researchers holding a PhD (training on transferable skills & career development)
 - Focus on **i3** (international, inter-sectoral, interdisciplinary) mobility
 - Bridges and **exposure to the non-academic sector**
- Research areas:
 - **All scientific fields**
 - Including Euratom areas (indicative amount EUR 1 million annually) within existing scientific panels - **novelty**

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- **Activities:**

- **Mono-beneficiary action** to support post-doctoral research and careers with:

- **European Postdoctoral Fellowships:** coming to Europe from any country in the world or moving within Europe
 - No separate panels – mainstreamed incentives– **novelty**
 - **Global Postdoctoral Fellowships** outside EU Member States and Horizon Europe AC.

* Widening activities: “ERA Fellowships” will be aligned with the MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships call

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- **Who applies? Participating Organisations* :**
 - Legal entity in an EU Member State or HE Associated country
- **Recruited Researchers- Target Groups:**
 - any nationality (Global Fellowships: nationals or long-term residents of MS or HE AC) *
 - in possession of PhD at the call deadline – **novelty**
 - up to 8 years research experience after PhD (with exceptions= career breaks, work outside research, research outside Europe for reintegrating researchers) – **novelty**
 - mobility rule: not resided /main activity in the country of the beneficiary (or host organization for GF) more than 12 in the 36 months before call deadline
- ***Specific eligibility criteria for PFs supported by Euratom:**
 - Organisation: legal entity established in an EU Member State or Euratom AC
 - Researcher: nationals or long-term residents of an EU Member State or a Euratom AC

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- **Duration**
 - **European Fellowships:** 12-24 months
 - **Global Fellowships:** 24-36 months (12-24 outgoing phase & 12 months mandatory return phase in Europe)
- **Secondments worldwide** up to 1/3 of the fellowship duration—
(novelty: worldwide secondments)
- **Optional additional placement of up to 6 months in a non-academic** European organization (novelty)
 - at the end of the fellowship applicable to both European and Global PF
- **Calls**
 - **2021:** 22 June – 12 Oct (tentative); 242 M€ [+indicative EUR 1 million for Euratom]
 - **2022:** 13 Apr – 14 Sept (tentative); 257 M€ [+indicative EUR 1 million for Euratom]
 - Resubmission restrictions applying as of 2022 for **applications receiving a score below 70%**

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Contributions for recruited researchers Per person-month					Institutional unit contributions Per person-month	
Living allowance	Mobility allowance	Family allowance (if applicable)	Long-term leave allowance (if applicable)	Special needs allowance (if applicable)	Research, training and networking contribution	Management and indirect contribution
EUR 5 080	EUR 600	EUR 660	EUR 5 680 x % covered by the beneficiary	Requested unit ¹ x (1/number of months)	EUR 1 000	EUR 650

* A country correction coefficient applies to the living allowance in order to ensure equal treatment and purchasing power parity for all researchers

The information in this presentation is preliminary and subject to the adoption of the work programme

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Excellence	Impact	Quality and efficiency of the implementation
Quality and pertinence of the project's research and innovation objectives (and the extent to which they are ambitious, and go beyond the state of the art)	Credibility of the measures to enhance the career perspectives and employability of the researcher and contribution to his/her skills development	Quality and effectiveness of the work plan , assessment of risks and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages
Soundness of the proposed methodology (including interdisciplinary approaches, consideration of the gender dimension and other diversity aspects if relevant for the research project, and the quality of open science practices)	Suitability and quality of the measures to maximise expected outcomes and impacts , as set out in the dissemination and exploitation plan, including communication activities	Quality and capacity of the host institutions and participating organisations , including hosting arrangements
Quality of the supervision, training and of the two-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host	The magnitude and importance of the project's contribution to the expected scientific, societal and economic impacts	
Quality and appropriateness of the researcher's professional experience , competences and skills		
50%	30%	20%