

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships (IF)

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Scope

- Individual, trans-national fellowships awarded to the best or most promising researchers for employment in EU Member States or Associated Countries, based on an application made jointly by the researcher and host organisation in the (non-)academic sectors.
- European Fellowships are held in EU Member States or Associated Countries and are open to researchers either coming to Europe or moving within Europe.
- Return and reintegration of researchers into a longer term research position in Europe, including in their country of origin, is supported via a separate multi-disciplinary reintegration panel of the European Fellowships.
- Global Fellowships are based on a secondment to a Third Country and a mandatory 12 month return period to a European host.

Objective

- Enhancement of the creative and innovative potential of experienced researchers wishing to diversify their individual competence in terms of skill acquisition through advanced training, international and intersectoral mobility.
- Provision of opportunities to acquire and transfer new knowledge and to work on research in a European context (EU Member States or Associated Countries) or outside Europe.
- Particular support of the return and reintegration of researchers from outside Europe who have previously worked here.

Duration:

- European Fellowships: 12-24 months
- Global Fellowships: 12-24 months for the outgoing phase plus 12 months return phase in Europe

Beneficiary:

- shall be a participant from the (non-)academic sector established in an Eu Member State or Associated Country and shall be employing the researcher during the project.

Funding (pro-rata for parts of years!)

- Living allowance*: 4.650 € (person/month)
- Mobility allowance: 600 € (person/month)
- Family allowance: 500 € (person/month)

- Research, training and networking costs: 800 € (person/month)
 - Management and indirect costs: 650 € (person/month)
- *) A correction coefficient applicable to the country of the researchers host organisation applies to these unit costs (Austria: 104,8%)

Eligible Researchers:

- „Experienced researchers“ shall, at the time of the relevant deadline for submission of proposals, be in possession of a doctoral degree or have at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience.
- At the time of the relevant deadline for submission of proposals, researchers shall not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in the country of their host organisation for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the reference date. Compulsory national service and/or short stays such as holidays are not taken into account. As far as international European interest organisations are concerned, this rule does not apply to the hosting of eligible researchers. However the appointed researcher shall not have spent more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the reference date, depending on the action, in the same appointing organisation.
- The mandatory 12 month period in Europe upon return from the Third Country in Global Fellowships is not subject to the mobility rule.
- In the Reintegration Panel for researchers coming to Europe, researchers shall not have resided or carried out their main activity in the country of their host organisation for more than 3 years in the 5 years immediately prior to the relevant deadline for submission of proposals.

Secondment

- Researcher may opt to include a secondment phase in Europe, notably in the non-academic sector, within the overall duration of their fellowship.
- For a Fellowship of 18 months or less, the secondment phase may last up to three months.
- For a Fellowship of more than 18 months, the secondment phase may last up to six months.
- The secondment phase can be a single period or be divided into shorter mobility periods.
- The secondments should significantly add to the impact of the research project.

Impact

- Significant addition to the development of the best and most promising researchers active in Europe, in order to enhance and maximise their contribution to the knowledge-based economy and society.
- Strengthening of the contact network of both the researcher and the host organisation
- Contribution to realising the full potential of researchers and to catalysing significant development in their careers in both the academic and non-academic sectors.

Information on the outcome of the evaluation: max. 5 months from the final date for submission
Date for the signing of grant agreements: max. 3 months from the date of informing applicants