



MARIE SKŁODOWSKA-CURIE ACTIONS INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIPS (IF)

The goal of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships (IF) is to **enhance the creative and innovative potential** of **experienced researchers** through **advanced training, international and inter-sectoral mobility (between academic and non-academic sector)**, and to catalyse a **significant development in their careers** in both sectors.

Individual Fellowships provide opportunities to **acquire and transfer new knowledge** and to **work on research in a European context or outside Europe**. The scheme particularly supports the **return and reintegration** of researchers from outside Europe who have previously worked here. It also develops or helps to **restart the careers** of individual researchers that show great potential, considering their experience.

Applications are made jointly by the researcher and host organisation in the academic or non-academic sectors. Alike the other Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions, IF follow a **bottom-up approach**, i.e. research fields are chosen freely by the applicants.

IF general rules:

- » **European Fellowships** are held in EU Member States (MS) or Associated Countries (AC) and are open to researchers coming to Europe or moving within Europe to carry out research projects for the duration of **1-2 years**.
- » **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.
- » Support to individuals to **resume research in Europe after a career break**, e.g. after parental leave, is ensured via a separate multi-disciplinary career restart panel of the European Fellowships.
- » **Global Fellowships** are based on a secondment to a third country (i.e. not a MS or AC) for **1-2 years** and a mandatory **12 month return period** to a European host.

» **Mobility rule:**

At the time of the deadline for submission of proposals the researcher must not have worked or resided in the country of destination for more than 12 months in the past 3 years.

» **Experienced researchers:**

Researchers in possession of a doctoral degree or with at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience.

FACTS

Specific Programme: Excellent Science:
Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

Project duration: 12-24 months (European)
12-24 months plus 12 months return phase (Global)

Budget: EUR 250.5 million (2014)

Next Call: H2020-MSCA-IF-2014

Call opens: 12 March 2014

Deadline: 11 Sep 2014 at 17.00 Brussels time



ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS (AT THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS):

- » For the **European Fellowship**, the researcher can be of any nationality, but must comply with the mobility rule in the country where the European Fellowship is held.
- » To qualify for the **career restart panel**, researchers can be of any nationality. They must not have been active in research for at least 12 months immediately prior to the deadline for submission.
- » The **reintegration panel** is open to nationals or previous long-term residents of MS and AC (i.e. having completed a period of full-time research activity of at least 5 consecutive years). Mobility shall be into Europe.
- » For the **Global Fellowship**, the researcher must comply with the mobility rule in the country where secondment takes place (not for the return phase). Global Fellowships are open to nationals or long-term residents of MS and AC.

- » For the **career restart** and the **reintegration panel** only, there is a **special mobility rule**: researchers shall not have resided in the country of their host for more than 3 years in the 5 years immediately prior to the relevant deadline.

FUNDING

The contribution of the European Commission will cover the activities of the researcher as well as part of the costs for the implementation of the project.

Contribution to the researchers [person/month]:

Living allowance*	4.650 €
Mobility allowance	600 €
Family allowance	500 €

* A correction coefficient is applied to these figures, reflecting the cost of living of the host country (e.g. Austria: 104,8%)

Contribution to the host institutions [person/month]:

Research, training and networking costs	800 €
Management and indirect costs	650 €

LINKS

www.ffg.at/content/msca
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/>
<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020/en/h2020-section/marie-sklodowska-curie-actions>

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