



Horizon2020 Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions Opportunities for PhD graduates: IF & COFUND postdocs





SCIENTIFIC EXCELLENCE

- European Research Council
- Future and Emerging Technologies (FET)
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie research grant scheme
- Research Infrastructures

INDUSTRIAL PRE-EMINENCE

- ICT
- Key Enabling Technologies (KETs) :
 - Microelectronics
 - Photonics
 - Nanotechnologies
 - Advanced materials
 - Production systems
 - Biotechnologies
- Space
- Innovation in Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)
- Access to Risk Finance

SOCIETAL CHALLENGES

- Health, well-being, and aging
- Food security, bioeconomy...
- Safe, clean, efficient energy
- Intelligent, green, integrated transportation
- Climate, environment, raw materials
- Inclusive, innovative society, capable of reflection
- Security



MSCA at a glance:

Researchers improve their competences by following innovative training abroad, in a public or private research institution and/or company/SME/NGO/hospital, to produce better science with better social & economical impact. All disciplines are eligible! No age limit!

Main criteria:

Excellence of the researchers & of the host institutions

Innovative training: to complement researchers' initial training

Exposure to non-academic sector: training & improved employability

International mobility: No more than 12 months in the host country during the last 3 years.

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions



ITN Innovative Training Networks

What does it offer?

High-quality research training delivered through international and interdisciplinary networks, industrial doctorates or joint doctorates

Who applies?

International networks of research organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors

Who is funded?

Researchers at doctoral level (less than four years of full-time research experience and no doctoral degree)



IF Individual Fellowships

What does it offer?

Opportunities to work on personal research projects by moving between countries and possibly sectors to acquire new skills

Who applies?

Individual researchers together with the host organisation

Who is funded?

Postdoctoral researchers



RISE Research and Innovation Staff Exchange

What does it offer?

The exchange of staff members involved in research and innovation to develop sustainable collaborative projects and the transfer of knowledge

Who applies?

International networks of research organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors

Who is funded?

Researchers, technical, administrative and managerial staff of any nationality and at all career levels



COFUND Co-Funding of Regional, National and International Programmes

What does it offer?

Regional, national or international programmes to foster excellence in researchers' training, mobility and career development

Who applies?

Organisations funding or managing doctoral programmes or fellowship programmes

Who is funded?

Researchers at doctoral and postdoctoral level



INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIPS



EF
ST

**European
Fellowships
Standard**

*Held in EU Member
States or Associated
Countries*

~220 M€

EF
CAR/RI

**European
Fellowships
CAR/RI**

*Return and
reintegration of
researchers in Europe
or after a career break*

SE

**Society and
Enterprise Panel**

*Only for non-
academic
beneficiaries*

~ 8 M€

GF

**Global
Fellowships**

*based on a
secondment to a
third country*

45 M€



COFUND Postdocs



Based on an institution's engagement to respect MSCA rules, it gets cofunding (in addition to national/regional funding for example) to hire experienced researchers (= post PhD).

FOR RESEARCHERS:

It translates into IF-like contracts offered at the institutions which were successful in their COFUND application, which you can apply to.

Their recruitment is organized during the 4 years of the COFUND subsidy to the successful institution.



Contractual elements

European fellowships & COFUND: 1 to 2 year contracts

Global fellowships: same + 1 additional year to return to Europe

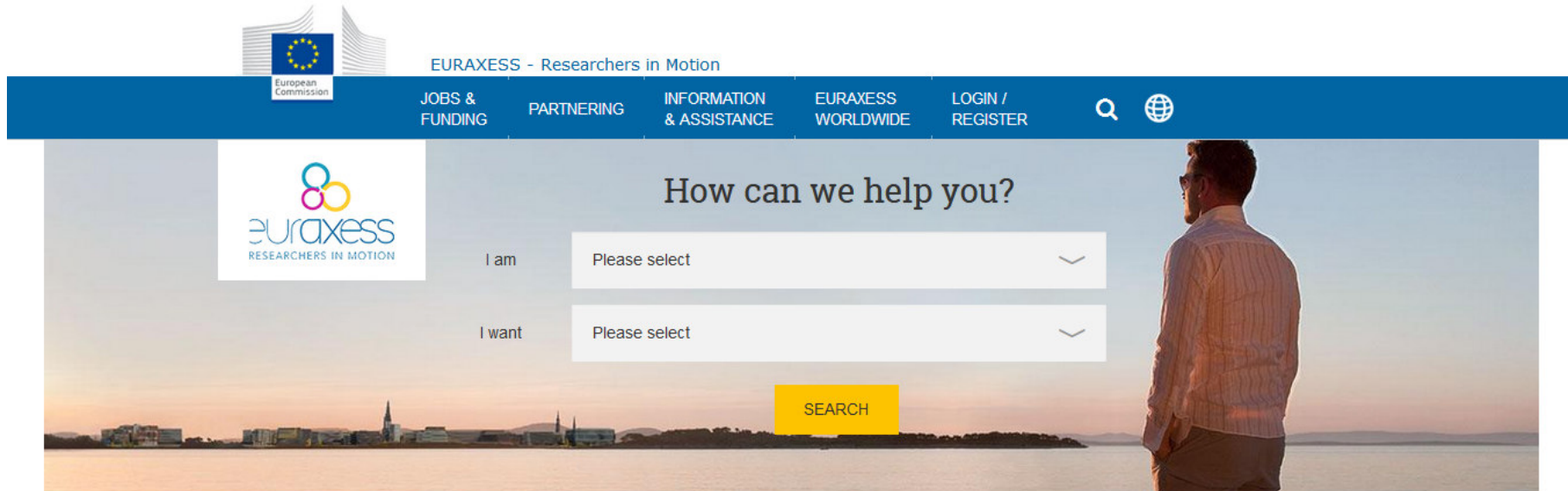
Monthly funding :

Action	Living Allowance *	Mobility allowance	Family allowance	Research, training costs	Management costs
IF	4880 €	600 €	500 €	800 €	650 €

* Monthly Gross Salary, to be adjusted according to country correction coefficient .

Action	EU contribution to Researcher's cost	Institutional costs
COFUND	2740 €	325 €

Where can you find IF & COFUND job offers?



EURAXESS - Researchers in Motion

European Commission

JOBS & FUNDING PARTNERING INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE EURAXESS WORLDWIDE LOGIN / REGISTER

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How can we help you?

I am Please select

I want Please select

SEARCH

Welcome

EURAXESS - Researchers in Motion is a unique pan-European initiative delivering information and support services to professional researchers. Backed by the European Union and its Member States, it supports researcher mobility and career development, while enhancing scientific collaboration between Europe and the world.

EURAXESS is also your gateway to Science4Refugees, a Commission's initiative helping refugee researchers find suitable jobs in today's challenging research landscape. Part of the initiative, is the Science4Refugees Research Buddies, supporting refugee scientists in finding European researchers to discuss problems, find solutions and study together, by matching their research field, scientific studies and interests.



Other possibility: proactive approach to IF

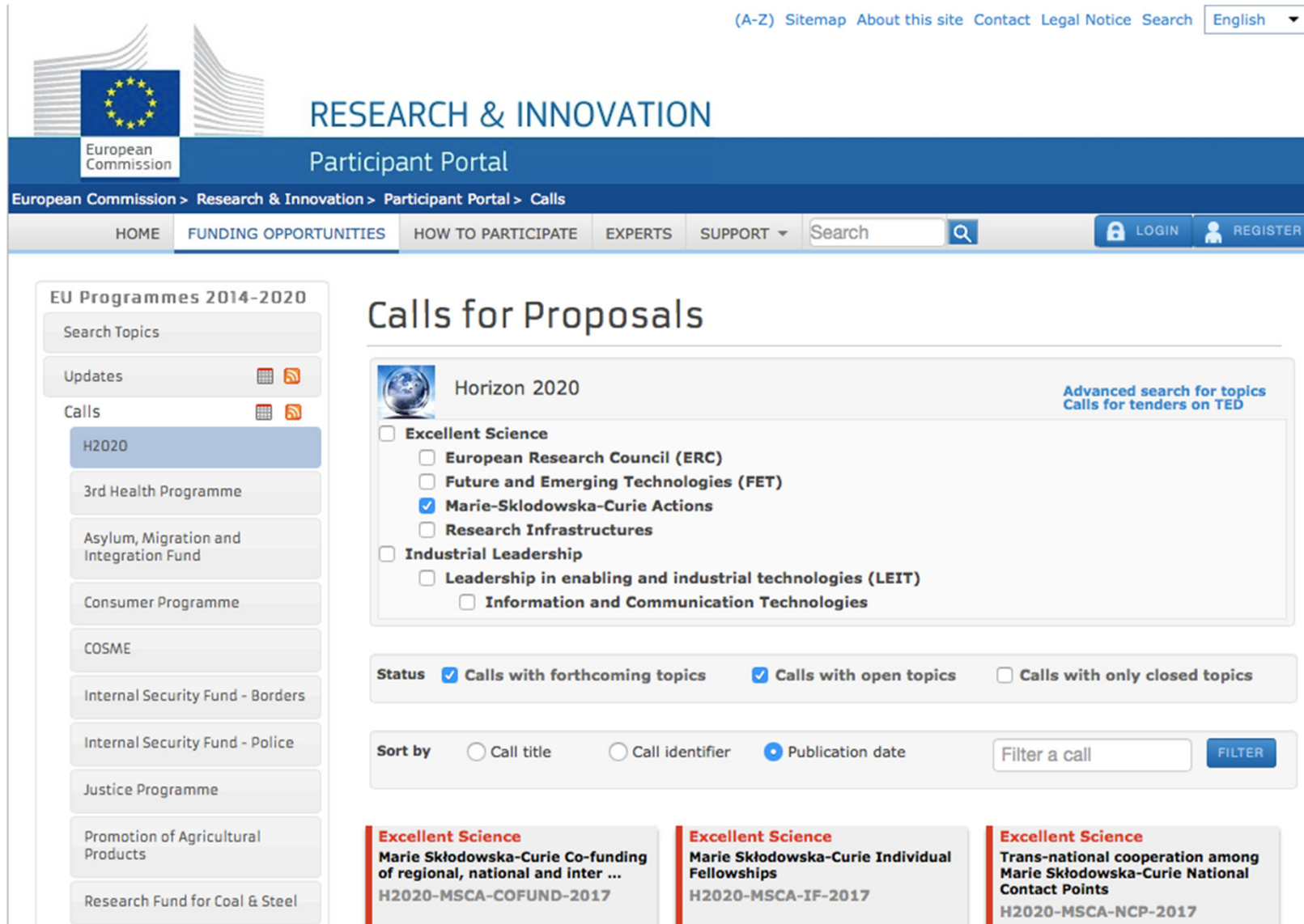
You know/search for an organization where you'd like to run your research project

Get in touch with the experienced researcher you'd like as a supervisor, and ask her/him if they want to build an IF application with you to get the fellowship from the European Commission.

If they're willing to do so, work with them on the scientific/training parts, get in touch with the host institution's EU research / international office for help on administrative matters (Institution's PIC number, ECAS account, etc).

For additional help, contact the host country's MSCA NCP.

How to apply to MSCA IF?



The screenshot shows the Horizon 2020 Participant Portal. The top navigation bar includes links for (A-Z), Sitemap, About this site, Contact, Legal Notice, Search, and a language dropdown set to English. The main header features the European Commission logo and the text 'RESEARCH & INNOVATION Participant Portal'. Below this is a breadcrumb trail: European Commission > Research & Innovation > Participant Portal > Calls. The main navigation bar includes HOME, FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES, HOW TO PARTICIPATE, EXPERTS, SUPPORT, a search bar, and LOGIN/REGISTER buttons.

The left sidebar, titled 'EU Programmes 2014-2020', contains a search box and a list of program categories: Updates, Calls, H2020 (selected), 3rd Health Programme, Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, Consumer Programme, COSME, Internal Security Fund - Borders, Internal Security Fund - Police, Justice Programme, Promotion of Agricultural Products, and Research Fund for Coal & Steel.

The main content area is titled 'Calls for Proposals' and features a 'Horizon 2020' header with a globe icon and a link to 'Advanced search for topics Calls for tenders on TED'. Below this is a list of call categories with checkboxes: Excellent Science (European Research Council (ERC), Future and Emerging Technologies (FET), Marie-Sklodowska-Curie Actions (checked), Research Infrastructures), Industrial Leadership (Leadership in enabling and industrial technologies (LEIT), Information and Communication Technologies).

Below the categories are filters for Status (Calls with forthcoming topics, Calls with open topics (checked), Calls with only closed topics) and Sort by (Call title, Call identifier, Publication date (checked)). A 'Filter a call' input field and a 'FILTER' button are also present.

The bottom section displays three call cards, all under the 'Excellent Science' heading:

- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Co-funding of regional, national and inter ...**
H2020-MSCA-COFUND-2017
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships**
H2020-MSCA-IF-2017
- Trans-national cooperation among Marie Skłodowska-Curie National Contact Points**
H2020-MSCA-NCP-2017

Part A & part B

1 - General information

Topic	
Call Identifier	
Type of Action	
Deadline Id	

Acronym

Proposal title
The title should be no longer than 200 characters (with spaces) and should be understandable to the non-specialist in your field.

Note that for technical reasons, the following characters are not accepted in the Proposal Title and will be removed: < > * &

Duration in months
Insert the estimated duration of the project in full months - typically 48 months for ITN projects.

Panel

Please select up to 5 descriptors (and at least 3) that best characterise the subject of your proposal, in descending order of relevance. Note that descriptors will be used to support REA services in identifying the best qualified evaluators for your proposal.

Descriptor 1

Free keywords
You may enter a number of keywords that you consider necessary to characterise the scope of your proposal. Each single one separated by a semi colon or a comma. There is a limit of 200 characters.

Abstract

Short summary (max. 2,000 characters, with spaces) to clearly explain:

- the objectives of the proposal
- how they will be achieved
- their relevance to the work programme.

Will be used as the short description of the proposal in the evaluation process and in communications with the programme management committees and other interested parties.

- Do not include any confidential information.
- Use plain typed text, avoiding formulae and other special characters.

If the proposal is written in a language other than English, please include an English version of this abstract in the "Technical Annex" section.

Annex 5 – Part B Template

In drafting PART B of the proposal, applicants must follow the structure outlined below.

DOCUMENT 1 (Proposal Number-Acronym-Part B1)

START PAGE (1 page)

TABLE OF CONTENTS (1 page)

LIST OF PARTICIPATING ORGANISATIONS (max 2 pages)

START PAGE COUNT (MAX 30 PAGES SECTIONS 1-3)

1. **EXCELLENCE (starting page 5)**
2. **IMPACT**
3. **QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY OF THE IMPLEMENTATION**

STOP PAGE COUNT (MAX 30 PAGES SECTIONS 1-3)

DOCUMENT 2 (Proposal Number-Acronym-Part B2)

NO OVERALL PAGE LIMIT APPLIED

4. **GANTT CHART**
5. **CAPACITIES OF THE PARTICIPATING ORGANISATIONS**
6. **ETHICAL ISSUES**
7. **LETTERS OF COMMITMENT**

Please note that:

- Applicants must ensure that document 1 does not exceed the total page limit of 34 pages. The Start Page must comprise 1 full page; The Table of Contents a maximum of 1 page, the List of Participating Organisations, data for non-academic beneficiaries and declarations table a maximum of 2 pages (if two



2018 CALENDAR

ACTION	OPENS	CLOSES
ITN	Oct 12, 2017	Jan 17, 2018
IF	Apr 12, 2018	Sep 12, 2018
RISE	Nov 22, 2017	Mar 21, 2018
COFUND	Apr 12, 2018	Sep 27, 2018

Very similar calendar each year
Evaluation results approximately 6 months after action call closes.

RESSOURCES

MINISTÈRE DE L'ÉDUCATION NATIONALE, DE L'ENSEIGNEMENT SUPÉRIEUR ET DE LA RECHERCHE

ABONNEMENTS

WHO WE ARE ?

HORIZON 2020

LE PORTAIL FRANÇAIS DU PROGRAMME EUROPÉEN POUR LA RECHERCHE ET L'INNOVATION

ESPACE EUROPÉEN DE LA RECHERCHE | HORIZON 2020 | COMMENT PARTICIPER ? | POUR VOUS AIDER | AUTRES PROGRAMMES | PME

RECHERCHER...

Accueil > Horizon 2020 > Excellence scientifique > Actions Marie Skłodowska-Curie

ACTIONS MARIE SKŁODOWSKA-CURIE

Actualités

24.11.2016
Factsheet pour les 20 ans des Actions Marie Skłodowska-Curie
La C.E. présente sa Factsheet sur les Actions Marie Skłodowska-Curie à l'occasion des 20 ans de ce programme.
> Lire la suite

10.11.2016
Dossier d'information pour les lauréats des actions Marie Skłodowska-Curie
> Lire la suite

13.10.2016
Retour sur la formation Action Marie S.-Curie : ITN et RISE
> Lire la suite

16.06.2016
Retour : atelier d'évaluation des projets Marie Skłodowska-Curie
> Lire la suite

27.05.2016
Calendrier des journées d'information Actions Marie S.-Curie 2016
> Lire la suite

AGENDA

20 AVR
Webinaire sur l'instrument PME d'Horizon 2020
EN LIGNE

04 MAI
Réunion d'information sur le programme IMI 2
PARIS

Tous les événements

APPELS EN COURS

> Liste des appels ouverts
> Programmes de travail 2016-2017

ANTICIPER LES PROCHAINS APPELS

LES ACTIONS SKŁODOWSKA - CURIE

> Présentation
> Boîte à outils

LE POINT DE CONTACT NATIONAL

> Contacts



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