

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)

The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) ensure excellent and innovative research training as well as attractive career and knowledge-exchange opportunities through cross-border and cross-sector mobility of researchers to best prepare them to face current and future societal challenges.

Mobility is a key requirement in the MSCA. Researchers receive funding on the condition that they move from one country to another to broaden or deepen their competences.

The MSCA are open to researchers and innovation staff, to universities, research institutions, research infrastructures, businesses, and other socio-economic actors from all countries, including third countries under certain conditions.

Attention is paid to encourage a strong participation of industry, in particular SMEs, for the successful implementation and impact of the MSCA. As an example, under *Individual Fellowships* a specific multidisciplinary panel called *Society and Enterprise* facilitates career moves between the academic and non-academic sectors as it opens attractive career opportunities for researchers outside academia (in a non-academic organization, e.g. company, hospital, NGO, etc.).

The calls for proposals in 2018 (to be confirmed)

	Innovative Training Networks (ITN)	Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE)	Individual Fellowships (IF)	Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes (COFUND)	European Researchers' Night (NIGHT)
Preliminary information					
Call opens:	12.10.2017	22.11.2017	12.4.2018	12.4.2018	7.11.2017
Call closes:	17.1.2018	21.3.2018	12.9.2018	27.9.2018	14.2.2018
The budget for the call:	442 M€ of which 375 M€ is allocated to ETN, 32 M€ to EID and 35 m€ to EJD	80 M€	278 M€ of which 225 M€ is allocated to European Fellowships, 45 M€ to Global Fellowships and 8 M€ to Society and Enterprise panel	80 m€ of which 30 m€ is allocated to Doctoral Programmes and 50 M€ to Fellowship programmes	12 M€

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions fund the following activities:

Innovative Training Networks, ITN	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• International networks offering joint doctoral training• Implemented by a partnership of universities, research institutes, businesses, SMEs and other socio-economic actors from different countries• European Training Networks (ETN), Industrial Doctorates (EID), Joint Doctorates (EJD)
Cofunding of regional, national and international programmes COFUND	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cofunding of regional, national or international doctoral or fellowship programmes (50 % funding)• Applicant is a legal entity managing doctoral or fellowship• Open recruitment of doctoral students, fellowship selection based on international peer review
Research and Innovation Staff Exchange RISE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• International and inter-sectoral exchanges of existing research and innovation staff• Funding for travel and research costs, no funding for salaries• Development of partnerships and joint research & innovation projects
Individual Fellowships IF	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For researchers in possession of a doctoral degree or having at least four years of full-time research experience after Master's degree• Applicant is an individual researcher together with a host organisation• From Europe to any country in the world and from anywhere in the world to Europe
Researchers' Night	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support for public events taking place during the European Researchers' Night organized annually in September• Applicant is an individual organisation or a consortium of organisations

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- EU Research and Innovation Programmes, EUTI:
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