

## Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)

The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) support excellent and innovative research training and 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, broadening or deepening 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 the participation of industry, in particular SMEs, in the successful implementation and impact of the MSCA. One example is a specific multidisciplinary panel called *Society and Enterprise* under action *Individual Fellowships*, facilitating career moves between the academic and non-academic sectors by opening attractive career opportunities for researchers outside of academia (in a non-academic organization, e.g. company, hospital, NGO, etc.).

## The calls for proposals in 2020

	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)
Call opens:	12.10.2019	5.12.2019	8.4.2020	8.4.2020	8.10.2019
Call closes:	14.1.2020	28.4.2020	9.9.2020	29.9.2020	9.1.2020
The budget for the call:	530,13 M€ of which 445,13 M€ is allocated to ETN, 40 M€ to EID and 45 m€ to EJD	80 M€	328 M€ of which 263 M€ is allocated to European Fellowships, 55 M€ to Global Fellowships and 10 M€ to Society and Enterprise panel	100 M€ of which 40 M€ is allocated to Doctoral Programmes and 60 M€ to Fellowship programmes	8 M€

## Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions fund the following activities:

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

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- MSCA Portal: <http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/>
- Facebook: [facebook.com/Marie.Curie.Actions](https://www.facebook.com/Marie.Curie.Actions)
- Twitter: [#mariesklodowskacurieactions](https://twitter.com/mariesklodowskacurieactions)
- EU Research and Innovation Programmes, EUTI:  
[www.tekes.eu/horizontti-2020/huipputason-tiede/marie-skodowska-curie--toimet/](http://www.tekes.eu/horizontti-2020/huipputason-tiede/marie-skodowska-curie--toimet/)