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THE FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME FOR RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

The Social Sciences in Horizon 2020: Societal Challenge 6 - 'Europe in a changing world - inclusive, innovative and reflective societies'

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EXCELLENT SCIENCE

European Research Council (€13.1 b)

Future and Emergent Technologies (€2.7 b)

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (€6.1 b)

Research Infra-structures (€2.5 b)

INDUSTRIAL LEADERSHIP

Leadership in Enabling and Industrial Technologies (€13.5 b)
- ICT
- NMBP
- Space

Access to Risk Finance (€2.9 b)

Innovation in SMEs (€0.6 b)

SOCIETAL CHALLENGES

Health, demographic change and wellbeing (€7.5 b)

Food security agriculture … and bioeconomy (€3.9 b)

Secure, clean and efficient **energy** (€6.8 b)

Smart, green and integrated **transport** (€6.3 b)

Climate action (…) and raw materials (€3.1 b)

Inclusive, innovative & reflective societies (€1.3 b)

Secure societies (€1.7 b)

Spreading Excellence and Widening Participation (€0.8 b)

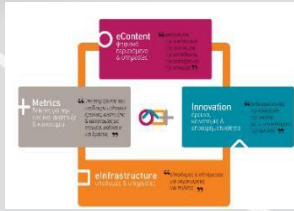## Science with and for Society (€0.5 b)

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EKT: **H2020 National Contact Point Services**

- **Information** on Research & Innovation in Greece and abroad

- **Access to Funding**: information, workshop, pre-screening of proposals

- **International Collaboration**: partner search support, networking

- **Exploitation of results**: business coaching, technology audits, partnership agreements for technology transfer, venture capitals

- **Open Access** to research results: national OpenAIRE node, repositories, e-journals, policy support

- **Intellectual Property Rights**: helpdesk, signposting

- **Metrics for scientific-based R&I policies**: Eurostat indicators, bibliometrics, intelligence reports per field

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Societal Challenge 6:

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I. Integrating Social Sciences and Humanities (SSH) across Horizon 2020

II. Horizon 2020 approach for Societal Challenge 6

III. Societal Challenge 6 Work Programme 2018-2020

Integration of SSH in Horizon 2020

- Supported through the 'Excellent Science' part of H2020 (ERC, Marie Curie and Infrastructures)

- Integrated in Leadership in Enabling and Industrial Technologies (LEIT) where relevant

- Integrated in all Societal Challenges

- SSH play a major role in the Societal Challenge 6: "Europe in a changing world – inclusive, innovative and reflective societies"

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The role of SSH in excellent science

- The European Research Council (ERC) is already a major funding source for curiosity driven frontier research. About 17 % of the ERC-budget will be allocated to SSH

- Marie Curie-Sklodowska Actions (MCA) give opportunities for greater mobility and network building. SSH share of 11-12 %

- Several major research infrastructures in the SSH are supported by FP7/H2020 : CESSDA, DARIAH, CLARIN, ESS, SHARE

The role of SSH in industrial leadership

- Strengthening the cultural and social aspects of innovation
- SSH as a source of creativity in development of services and products
- Societal aspects
- Business and management models

The role of SSH in the Societal Challenges

- The Societal Challenges will bring together different technologies, sectors, scientific disciplines, social sciences and humanities, and innovation actors to find new solutions

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Examples of SSH-relevant themes in the societal challenges 1-3

- **SC1:** Understanding the determinants of health and optimising the effectiveness of healthcare provisions
- **SC2:** Support to policies empowering rural areas and promoting informed consumer choices
- **SC3:** Robust decision making on energy policy and in ensuring a consumer friendly European electricity grid and a transition to a sustainable energy system

Examples of SSH-relevant themes in the societal challenges 4, 5 and 7

- **SC4:** Supporting evidence based transport policy and foresight, urban mobility
- **SC5:** Support to climate change mitigation and adaptation strategies, resource efficiency initiatives and measures towards a green and sustainable economy
- **SC7**: Cultural and socio-economic aspects of security, risk and management issues (including legal and human rights aspects)

Challenge based approach is reflected in the description of the "Topics" of the Work Programme

- **Specific Challenge**: Sets the context, the problem to be addressed, why intervention is necessary

- **Scope**: delineates the problem, specifies the focus and the boundaries of the potential action BUT without describing specific approaches

- **Expected Impact**: describe the key elements of what is expected to be achieved in relation to the specific challenge

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Societal Challenge 6: Inclusive Societies

- Smart, sustainable and inclusive growth

- Building resilient, inclusive, participatory, open and creative societies in Europe

- Europe's role as a global actor

- Sustainable and inclusive environments through innovative spatial and urban
planning and design

Societal Challenge 6: Innovative societies

- Strengthening the evidence-base and support for the IU and ERA

- Explore new forms of innovation, with special emphasis on social innovation and creativity

- Make use of the innovative, creative and productive potential of all generations

- Cooperation with third countries

Societal Challenge 6: Reflective societies – cultural heritage and European identity

- European heritage (memory, identity)
- European countries' and regions' history, literature, art, philosophy and religions and how these have informed contemporary European diversity
- Research on Europe's role in the world – intercultural relations

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SC6: Call schedule: Migration

- Call opens: 06 Nov 2018
- Call deadline: 14 March 2019

Topics:

- DT-MIGRATION-06-2018-2019: Addressing the challenge of migrant integration through ICT-enabled solutions (Innovation Actions; budget: 8 million euros)
- MIGRATION-01-2019: Understanding migration mobility patterns: elaborating mid and long-term migration scenarios (Research and Innovation actions; budget: 9 million euros)
- MIGRATION-03-2019: Social and economic effects of migration in Europe and integration policies (Research and Innovation actions; budget: 9 million euros)
- MIGRATION-07-2019: International protection of refugees in a comparative perspective

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SC6: Call schedule: Socioeconomic and cultural Transformations in the context of the 4th Industrial Revolution …("Transformations")

- Call opens: 06 Nov 2018
- Call deadline: 14 March 2019

Topics:

- DT-TRANSFORMATIONS-02-2018-2019-2020: Transformative impact of disruptive technologies (RIA; budget: 7 million euros)

- DT-TRANSFORMATIONS-07-2019: Impact of technological transformations on children and youth (Coordination and Support action; budget: 1.5 million euros. RIA; budget: 9 million euros)

- DT-TRANSFORMATIONS-11-2019: Collaborative approaches to cultural heritage for social cohesion (RIA; budget 12 million euros)

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SC6: Call schedule: Tranformations (contd..)

- TRANSFORMATIONS-03-2018-2019: Innovative solutions for inclusive and sustainable urban environments (RIA; budget 6 million euros)

- TRANSFORMATIONS-04-2019-2020: Innovative approaches to urban and regional development through cultural tourism (RIA; budget: 9 million euros)

- TRANSFORMATIONS-08-2019: The societal value of culture and the impact of cultural policies in Europe (RIA; budget: 9 million euros)

- TRANSFORMATIONS-13-2019: Using big data approaches in research and innovation policy making (RIA; budget 1.9 million euros)

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SC6: Call Schedule: Governance for the future

- Call opens: 06 Nov 2018
- Call deadline: 14 March 2019

Topics:

- DT-GOVERNANCE-05-2018-2019-2020: New forms of delivering public goods and inclusive public services (RIA; budget: 8 millions euros)

- DT-GOVERNANCE-12-2019-2020: Pilot on using the European cloud infrastructure for public administrations (Innovation Actions; 8 million euros)

- DT-GOVERNANCE-13-2019: Digitisation, Digital Single Market and European culture: new challenges for creativity, intellectual property rights and copyright (RIA; budget: 9 million euros)

- GOVERNANCE-01-2019: Trust in governance (RIA; budget: 9 million euros)

- GOVERNANCE-02-2018-2019: Past, present and future of differentiation in European governance (CSA; budget: 1.5 million euros)

- GOVERNANCE-04-2019 (RIA; budget: 9 million euros)

- SU-GOVERNANCE-10-2019: Drivers and contexts of violent extremism in the broader MENA region (Middle East & North Africa) and the Balkans

Science With And For Society - SWAFS

SWAFS

Aims to integrate Horizon 2020 cross-cutting issues by:
- Emphasizing responsible research and innovation (RRI) including gender
- Enhancing the attractiveness of the research profession

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SWAFS Work Programme 2018-20: sample topics

- Call opens: 11 Dec 2018
- Call deadline: 02 April 2019
- SWAFS-05-2018-2019: Grounding RRI practices in research and innovation funding and performing organisations (CSA; budget: 6 million euros)
- SWAFS-09-2018-2019: Supporting research organisations to implement gender equality plans (CSA; budget: 9 million euros)
- SWAFS-14-2018-2019: Supporting the development of territorial Responsible Research and Innovation (CSA; budget: 9.5 million euros)
- SWAFS-15-2018-2019: Exploring and supporting citizen science (RIA; budget: 10 million euros)

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Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions

MSCA - Key features

- ➢ Open to all domains of **research and innovation** from basic research up to market take-up and innovation services;

- ➢ Entirely **bottom-up**;

- ➢ Participation of **non-academic sector** strongly encouraged, especially industry and SMEs;

- ➢ Open to researchers at **all career stages** and flexible funding periods;

- ➢ **Mobility** as the key requirement - funding on condition participants move from one country to another;

- ➢ No **nationality** or **age** restrictions;

- ➢ Promotion of attractive **working** and **employment conditions**;

- ➢ Particular attention to a **quality of opportunities**;

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MSCA **Funding** schemes

Individual Fellowships	**IF** experienced Researchers 'post-Doc'	Support for experienced researchers to undertake international and inter-sector mobility, incl. career restart and reintegration
Innovative Training Networks	**ITN** early-stage Researchers 'pre-Doc'	Doctoral and initial training: European Training Networks, European Industrial Doctorates, European Joint Doctorates
Co-funding of programmes	**COFUND** 'pre-Doc' or 'post-Doc'	Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes: - doctoral programmes (ESR) - fellowship programmes (ER)
Research and Innovation Staff Exchange	**RISE** 'pre-Doc' or 'post-Doc'	International and inter-sector cooperation through the exchange of staff (scientific, administrative and technical)

What can be funded?

1) Costs of researchers/fellows and seconded staff

Living allowance or Top-up allowance

Mobility allowance

Family allowance

2) Organisational costs for host institutions

Research, networking and training costs

Management and indirect costs

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MSC actions – Financial Overview

IF

Research, networking, training costs	800 €
Management and indirect costs	500 €

Living allowance*	4650 €
Mobility allowance	600 €
Family allowance	500 €

* The living allowance base rate is multiplied by Country Correction Coefficient – for Greece 92,7%

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MSC actions – Financial Overview

ITN

Research, networking, training costs	1800 €
Management and indirect costs	1200 €

Living allowance*	3110 €
Mobility allowance	600 €
Family allowance	500 €

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MSC actions – Financial Overview

COFUND

Management costs	325 €

Living allowance Early-stage researchers	1855 €
Living allowance Experienced researchers	2625 €

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MSC actions – Financial Overview

RISE

Research, networking, training costs	1800 €
Management and indirect costs	700 €

Top-up allowance	2000 €

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Opportunities for individual researchers

- As a researcher I want to…

  ☑ Undertake a **project** in Europe or outside Europe;

  ☑ Spend my time at **leading labs;** Opportunities to work and train with the best researchers in Europe and worldwide;

  ☑ Be part of a well-established and **prestigious programme**;

  ☑ Benefit from **good working conditions:** employment contracts, full social security, very competitive salaries etc.*;

  ☑ Work with **businesses**;

  ☑ Be part of an **exchange**…

  ☑ Access to top level conferences, **professional** associations & Marie Curie Alumni;

  … ***Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions!***

- *European Charter for Researchers and code for conduct for recruitment; the Democritus University of Thrace has signed it.*

Opportunities for individual researchers

Compare to researchers in general:

- **Short-term employability**

  ❖ MSC fellowships are very effective in improving fellows' short-term employability;

  ❖ MSC fellows are some 8% more likely of obtaining a permanent position after the fellowship;

  ❖ MSC fellows are more likely to obtain an ERC grant;

- **Retention by hosts**

  ❖ MSC fellows are some 11% more likely to be retained by hosts, especially after long fellowships.

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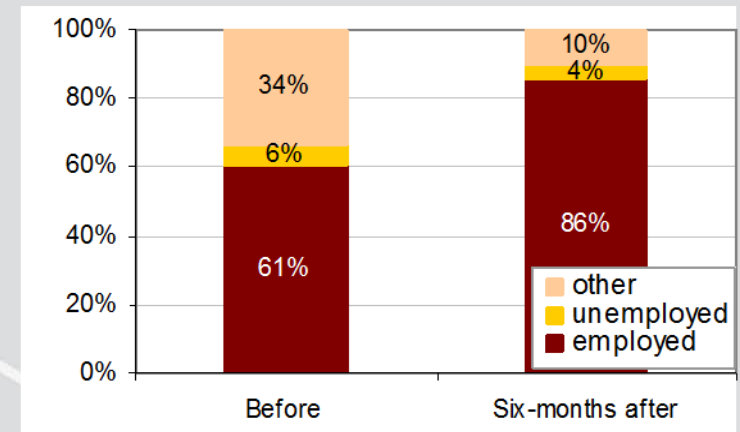
Opportunities for **individual researchers**

Early-stage Researchers (ESR)

Less than four years of research experience and no doctoral degree

Experienced Researchers (ER)

At least four years of research experience and/or a doctoral degree

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RISE

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IF

RISE

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Opportunities for host organisations: who can participate?

Academia

Public or private **High Education Institutions** awarding academic degrees

Public or private **non-profit research organisations**

International **European interest** organisations

Universities

Non-profit research institutes

IEIOs

Business and non-academia

Broad definition:

Any socio-economic actor not included in the academic sector definition

Industry

SMEs

Other socio-economic actors

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Individual fellowships - **Main Features**

- Only for **experienced** researchers;

- Focus on **career development**, not necessarily experience;

- Open to hosts from both **academic** and **non-academic** sectors;

- Can include **3 – 6 months at another organisation** anywhere in Europe ("on secondment");

- **Mobility:** Applicants must not have resided or carried out their main activity in the country of the host organisation for *more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the call deadline;*

- Separate multidisciplinary panels for **Society & Enter**prise (€10m earmarked budget), **Career Restart**, and **Reintegration** – all with the same **special mobility rule**;

- Duration: **2 years** (Global Fellowships: **3 years**).

- Budget for 2017 call: **€ 248 Million;**

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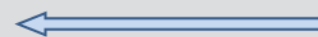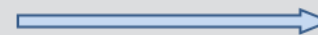
IF - Individual Fellowships

IF – Society and Enterprise Panel

- The objective is to encourage **non-academic** organisations to host individual fellows;

- Most requirements common to other European Fellowships;

- Beneficiary **only** from non-academic sector;

- **Mobility rule** = not more than 3 years in the last 5 years in the country of the beneficiary;

- Dedicated budget of **10 EUR million**;

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IF Reintegration Panel

Return and **reintegration** of researchers into a **longer term** research position in Europe;

- Separate multi-disciplinary **reintegration** panel (RI);

- Researchers must be a national or long-term resident of **EU or AC**;

    - **Long term resident**: at least 5 consecutive years of research activity in one or more EU Member State or AC;

- Mobility rule different: Applicants must not have resided or carried out their main activity in the country of the host organisation for *more than* **36 months** *in the* **5 years** *immediately prior to the call deadline;*

    - Mobility **into** Europe is essential.

IF - Career Restart Panel

- Multidisciplinary panel to provide financial support to individual researchers who wish to resume research in Europe after a career break (e.g. after parental leave, working outside research, etc.).

- For **refugees** covered by the 1951 Refugee Convention (Geneva Convention), the refugee procedure (i.e. before refugee status is conferred) will not be counted as 'period of residence/activity in the country of the beneficiary'. This is regardless of whether he/she was active in research at that time.

- The experienced researcher must have undertaken a **career break in research**, i.e. he/she **must not have been active in research** for at least 12 months immediately prior to the deadline for submission of proposals (corresponding to the period 15 September 2016 to 14 September 2017).

- Whether or not the researcher has been active in research is determined on the basis of fellowships or employment **contracts** in the domain of research.

COFUND

- Co-funding new or existing regional, national, and international programmes;

- Fellowships programmes (ER) or Doctoral programmes (ESR);

- Mono-beneficiary: any organisation funding or managing doctoral or post- doctoral programmes; could be universities, research centres, industries etc.; signs the grant agreement;

- Partner organisations: could be universities, research centres, industries etc.; do not sign the grant agreement;

- Minimum living allowance fixed in the Work Programme; No correction coefficient applies in the living allowance;

- EU contribution to co-fund living allowances for researchers and management costs;

- Budget for 2017 call:€ 80 Million(Doctoral Programmes:30 Mio).

COFUND Fellowships Programmes

- MSCA COFUND fellowships projects offer 'post-doc' positions **similar** to the **IF**;

- Employment **contracts** with full social security;

- **Minimum** which hosting organisations should pay their COFUND fellows: **3675 €**;

- All positions are **advertised** on the European Researcher Mobility Portal EURAXESS http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/jobs ;

COFUND Doctoral Programmes

- MSCA COFUND projects offer PhD candidate-level positions **similar** to those in an **ITN** programme;

- Employment **contracts** with full social security;

- **Minimum** monthly rate which hosting organisations should pay their COFUND fellows: **2597€;**

- All positions are **advertised** on the European Researcher Mobility Portal EURAXESS http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/jobs ;

ITN
Innovative Training Networks

- Raise excellence and structure **research** and **doctoral training**;

- **Trigger cooperation** and exchange of best practice among participants;

- Enhance researchers' **employability** and provide them with new career perspectives;

- Only for **early stage researchers**;

- Fellowships of **3-36 months**;

- Project duration up to **4 years**;

- Maximum **540** person-months (EID: 180);

- Budget for 2017 call: **€ 430 Million** (EID: 28 Mio, EJD 32 Mio)

ITN – 3 modes of implementation

- ✓ **ETN - European Training Networks**
- • at least **3 beneficiaries** from **3 different EU MS** or **AC**. Above this minimum any country can participate;

- ✓ **EID - European Industrial Doctorates**
- • at least **2 beneficiaries** established in **2 different MS** or **AC**;
- • At least **one beneficiary** must be entitled to **award doctoral degrees** and at least **one beneficiary** must come from the **non-academic sector**, primarily enterprise;
- • Each researcher - enrolled in a doctoral programme and spend **at least 50%** in the non-academic sector;
- • The **joint supervision** of fellows by supervisors from each sector is **mandatory**;

- ✓ **EJD - European Joint Doctorates**
- • at least **3 beneficiaries** from **different EU MS** or **AC** which are entitled to award doctoral degrees;
- • creation of **joint doctoral programmes**, leading to the delivery of joint, double or multiple doctoral degrees.

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RISE
Research and Innovation Staff Exchange

- Common **research and innovation project;**

- International and inter-sector **transfer of knowledge** and sharing of ideas and of R&I culture;

- **Staff member** – at least 6 months at the sending institution;

- **Secondments** from 1 to 12 months;

- Project duration up to **4 years**;

- Maximum **540** person-months;

- **No** correction coefficient applies to the top-up allowance;

- Budget for 2017 call: **€ 80 Million**;

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RISE – Eligibility Conditions

- At least **3 independent participants** in 3 different countries

- At least 2 participants from **2 different MS/AC**

- If **all in MS/AC**: at least 1 academic and 1 non-academic

In addition:

- **All Countries** can participate in RISE;

- **All nationalities** can participate in RISE;

- **All institutions** fulfilling the requirements of the Horizon 2020 Rules for Participation can participate in RISE;

- **No mobility rules*** for RISE;

* Only inter-sector secondments within Europe;

No secondments between institutions located outside Europe or within the same MS/AC

On top of minimum of three organisations other may participate. The average number of participants in RISE is 8.

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Hints for a successful Proposal

Before you start preparing your proposal

❖ Read carefully the **Work Programme**, at least the part that interests you the most;

❖ Read more than carefully the **Guide for applicants**;

❖ Provide the evaluators with evidence for your claims, but **avoid** external resources (links to websites etc.);

❖ Graphics and charts can be very helpful, but **don't overdo** it! Make sure they are readable in black & white;

❖ Page limit **10 pages** (for IF) and **30 pages** (for ITN and RISE) to be absolutely respected.

❖ Take also note of the following…

Hints for a **successful** proposal

❖ Proposal should make the evaluators' "life" **easier** (consistent, well-written, "built" around the award criteria);

❖ The evaluators may not all be world experts in **exactly** the area of your proposal – avoid using very specific jargon and acronyms!

❖ Provide the evaluators with evidence for your claims, but **avoid** external resources (links to websites etc.);

❖ Graphics and charts can be very helpful, but **don't overdo** it! Make sure they are readable in black & white.

❖ Check the English with a **native speaker** if possible.

❖ Take also note of the following…

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Hints for a successful IF Proposal

❖ Explain the contribution that your project is expected to make. Your project should be innovative and original. **It cannot look like a continuation of a PhD.**

❖ Demonstrate the expertise of the host institution as well as the expertise of the scientific in charge in the field of research you want to explore. Information must be given **on host's expertise in training experienced researchers** and capacity to provide mentoring/tutoring.

❖ Describe how this project will **contribute to your own career**. The potential of the fellow to acquire new competencies should be clearly described.

❖ Find a successful proposal (Google also helps – "**Part B**").

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Structure of the Proposal

Part A
- structured data -

Part B
- description of action -

General information

Participants & contacts

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MSCA 2016-2017 Calls

Funding scheme	Call deadlines	Budget
ITN	15/09/2016 – 10/01/2017	EUR 430.00 million
IF	11/04/2017 – 14/09/2017	EUR 248.00 million
RISE	01/12/2016 – 05/04/2017	EUR 80.00 million
COFUND	05/04/2017 – 28/09/2017	EUR 80.00 million

More Information

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Website

http://ec.europa.eu/msca

Horizon2020

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020

Participant Portal (applications/documents)

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal

Euraxess (jobs, rights, services, etc.)

http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/

European Charter for Researchers

http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/index.cfm/rights/whatIsAResearcher

MSCA on Facebook
https://www.facebook.com/Marie.Curie.Actions
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For questions

- **H2020 Help desk**
- http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=enquiries
- **Frequently Asked Questions**
- http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/faq.html
- **National Contact Points**
- http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national_contact_points.html
- **Marie Curie Alumni Association**
- https://www.mariecuriealumni.eu/

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