Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship (European Fellowship)

The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowships (PF) enable talented researchers to work on projects in Europe and beyond. They aim at enhancing the creative and innovative potential of Postdoctoral Researchers through advanced training and international and inter-sectoral mobility. They are open to all domains of research and innovation, from fundamental research to market take-up and innovation services. European Fellowships are open to researchers currently within or outside Europe who want to work in an EU Member State or Associated Country (MS or AC). The duration of the fellowship is 12 to 24 months.

How does it work?
A proposal is submitted by a Postdoctoral Researcher jointly with a host organisation from the academic or non-academic sector in response to a call for proposals. Successful proposals receive funding for up to three years. The host organisation receives the money and recruits the awarded researcher.

How much money is in it?
The financing is based on unit costs where a researcher month is one unit. It is composed of living allowance (€5080/month adjusted through a country correction coefficient), mobility allowance (€600/month) and family allowance (€660/month- if applicable) as well as research & training costs (€1000/month) and management costs (€650/month).

Who can apply?
Most promising Postdoctoral Researchers of any nationality and age who want to diversify their competences, acquire new skills and go abroad. Eligible Researchers hold a PhD at the call deadline and have no more than 8 years of research experience after PhD. Eligible researchers must comply with the Mobility Rule saying that s/he must not have lived, worked, or studied in the country of the future host institution for more than 12 months during the 3 years prior to deadline.

What does the funding cover?
The European Fellowship funding covers the individual costs of researchers as well as organisational costs.

Benefits?
For researchers:
- Advanced training and mobility
- 100% funding
- Recognition of excellent science
- Increase of career prospects

For host organisations:
- Access to talent
- Recruitment of highly skilled researchers
- Enlargement of international networks
- Transfer of knowledge
When can I apply?

The 2021-MSCA-PF call opens on 22 June 2021 with a deadline on 12 October 2021 (17:00 Brussels time).

How do I apply?

The PF call is published on the Funding and Tenders Portal, from where you can also download the important documents (e.g. Guide for Applicants and Work Programme) and start your submission.

What is the success rate?

The overall success rate for the European Fellowships was between 14% and 18% in the different calls in H2020.

When will I know the outcome of the evaluation?

The proposals will be evaluated in November and December 2021 and the outcome will be known at the earliest by March 2022. The approximate date for signing the Grant Agreement and starting the project is May 2022.

Where can I get support?

If you have questions get in touch with your Euresearch National Contact Point or the Euresearch Offices in the region.

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We offer information, advice and training for applicants with host organisations in Switzerland. We’re happy to support you - from basic information to proposal writing.

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