

Marie Skłodowska-Curie COFUND

MSCA COFUND co-finances new or existing doctoral programmes and postdoctoral fellowship schemes in any discipline at national, regional or international level with the aim to spread the best practices of the MSCA such as excellent training, supervision and working conditions.

How does it work?

COFUND is a mono-beneficiary action: A single entity established in an EU-member state of associated country can take part setting up a fellowship scheme based on international mobility, interdisciplinary and inter-sectoral experience. Fellowships are either for doctoral or for postdoctoral students. COFUND's usual duration is between 24 and 60 months (maximal duration). One fellowship must last at least 3 months. Researchers apply directly at the beneficiary according to their rules.

Who can apply?

Applying institutions can be either:



Public bodies responsible for funding and managing fellowship programmes, e.g., ministries, state committees for research, research academies, councils or agencies; or

Other bodies, including research organisations and international organisations, that finance and manage fellowship programmes either with an official mandate or recognised by public authorities.

Partner Organisations can be included and should sign a so-called partnership agreement with the coordinating institution.

What does the funding cover?



The European Union's contribution contributes to the cost of the researchers including remuneration, costs related to training, research and networking of researchers and costs of managing the action as well as indirect costs. For doctoral programmes the allowance is €2'800 per person month. For postdoctoral programmes the allowance is € 3'980 per person month. There is a maximum of €10 million per institution.

Benefits?



For researchers:

- Advanced training and mobility
- 100% funding
- Recognition of excellent science
- Increase of career prospects

For host organisations:

- Access to talent
- Transfer of knowledge
- Spreading of best practice

When can I apply?



The 2022-MSCA-COFUND call opens on **10 October 2023** with a deadline on **8 February 2024** (17:00 Brussels time).

How do I apply?



The COFUND 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 average COFUND success rate in Horizon Europe has been 25%.

When will I know the outcome of the evaluation?



The proposals will be evaluated from February until May 2024 and the outcome will be known at the earliest by June 2024. The approximate date for signing the Grant Agreement **and starting the project** is September 2024.

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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