Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships (IF): Global Fellowships (GFs)

The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships aim at enhancing the creative and innovative potential of experienced researchers (postdocs) through advanced training and international and intersectoral mobility. Individual fellowships are either Global Fellowships or European Fellowships (see also European Fellowships Infosheet). Global Fellowships are open to researchers currently within or outside Europe who want to move to a Third Country (TC, outgoing phase) and then come back to an EU Member State or Associated Country (MS or AC, return phase). For Global Fellowships, the TC is subject to the mobility rule (i.e. the researcher must not have lived, worked, or studied in the TC for more than 12 months during the 3 years prior to deadline). The duration of the fellowship is 24 to 36 months and primarily covers the salary of the researcher. The return phase of 12 months is mandatory.

Why should I do it?
You can diversify your competences and acquire new skills at a multi- or interdisciplinary level through advanced training and mobility.

Who can apply?
Global fellowships are awarded to the most promising researchers from a MS or AC (or MS/AC “long-term residents”) who want to benefit from training abroad (mobility rules). The host organisation (academic or non-academic) employs the awarded researcher during both the outgoing and the return phases. Applicants either hold a PhD degree or have at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience.

How can I apply?
First, find the right call on the participant portal:
http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/
Then, inform yourself and read the important documents (Guide for Applicants and Work Programme). If you have questions get in touch with your Euresearch National Contact Point or Regional Office. Start the search for a suitable host early on.

When can I apply?
The 2018-MSCA-IF call is expected to open on 12 April 2018 with a deadline on 12 September 2018 (17:00 Brussels time).

How much funding can be expected?
The budget is calculated using the ‘researcher unit cost’ of €4650/month (monthly allowance, adjusted by country, plus a mobility allowance of €600/month and a family allowance of €500/month), if applicable. In addition, there is €800/month for research costs and €650/month for management costs.
Frequently asked questions

What is the success rate?
In the first calls in H2020 the average overall success rate for the Global Fellowships was around 12%.

Can partners from the USA take part in the funding scheme?
Yes, it is even mandatory to have a partner in a TC (e.g. in the US) during the outgoing phase. During the return phase partners must be in a MS or AC.

When will I know the outcome of my proposal?
The proposals will be evaluated in October and November 2018 and the outcome will be known at the earliest by February 2019. The approximate date for signing the Grant Agreement is May 2019.

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"After all, science is essentially international, and it is only through lack of the historical sense that national qualities have been attributed to it."
Marie Skłodowska-Curie