

Irish Marie Skłodowska-Curie Office Bulletin Spring 2015



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RISE 2015 Webinar and Support Documents

On 26th February last, the office ran a webinar to support applicants in writing a proposal to the upcoming RISE – Research and Innovation Staff Exchange Call, deadline 28th April. The recorded webinar, slides and a range of supporting documents are available online at <http://www.iua.ie/msca-webinar-26-feb-to-assist-researchers-writing-a-rise-proposal/>. The supporting documents include:

- An analysis of the “strengths” and “weaknesses” of funded and un-funded applications from the 2014 Call, and information about how to pass the Operational Capacity Check.
- A presentation from the Commission about how to fill out the online application forms.
- A Policy Brief which summarises the main EU policy documents relevant to RISE and provides extracts from the documents that can be used in defining/preparing your proposal.

New MSCA Communication and Outreach Guidelines

The Commission has published a short guideline for how to incorporate high-quality communication and outreach (public engagement) activities into your proposal. Among other things, it clarifies the difference between “communication” and “outreach”, which is extremely useful for applicants. The document is available at

http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/documents/documentation/publications/outreach_activities_en.pdf.

Call Updates

- Individual Fellowships 2014. According to information published on the Participant Portal, a total of 7472 proposals (6425 European Fellowship, 1047 Global Fellowship) were submitted in response to this Call. Results were issued in early February and information on Irish success in the programme will be published in due course.
- COFUND 2014. According to information published on the Participant Portal, a total of 103 proposals (50 Doctoral Programmes, 53 Fellowship programmes) were submitted in response to this Call. Results were issued in the first week of March and information on Irish success in the programme will be published in due course.
- Innovative Training Networks 2015. According to information published on the Participant Portal, a total of 1567 proposals (1320 ETN, 159 EID, 88 EJD) were submitted in response to this Call. This represents an almost 30% increase in applications compared to the 2014 Call. Results are expected in mid-July.
- The following Call is open to applications:
 - RISE: Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (Closing 28th April 2015). An FAQ document on this Call has been published at

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/doc/call/h2020/h2020-msca-rise-2015/1637609-faqs_rise_2015_en.pdf

A full list of MSCA call deadlines in 2015 is available at <http://www.iua.ie/irish-marie-curie-office/call-deadlines/>. The list of deadlines for 2016 and 2017 will be published in Q3 2015

Irish Experts Wanted

This office is permitted and encouraged to suggest suitable experts from Ireland to evaluate in MSCA Calls. If you would be interested in doing so, please send an email to mariecurie@iua.ie by **31st**

March 2015 with the following information:

- Name and organisation;
- Email address;
- Your Expert Number – if you have not yet registered as an Expert, you can do so at <http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/experts/index.html>;
- Which of the MSCA Calls you would be interested in evaluating in. List at <http://www.iua.ie/irish-marie-curie-office/funding-calls/>;
- Which, if any of the MSCA you have prior experience of participating or evaluating in. Please note this is not a prerequisite to be invited to evaluate.

We are particularly interested in hearing from evaluators based in industry or other non-academic organisations.

MSCA Bridging Business and Research Event – 3rd February 2015

The European Commission, assisted by this office, organised an event focused on industry and other non-academic organisations and how they can participate in the MSCA. The slides from the event are available online at <http://www.iua.ie/bridging-business-and-research-a-marie-sklodowska-curie-actions-event/>

Net4Mobility NCP project and useful resources

The office is taking part in an EU-funded project to build capacity and expertise among the worldwide network of MSCA National Contact Points. The project, called Net4Mobility, has a number of useful resources for applicants:

- A blog with FAQs on the Actions at <http://mariecurieactions.blogspot.ch/>
- A LinkedIn group <http://linkd.in/1KwIOfh>
- A Twitter Account [@Net4Mobility](https://twitter.com/Net4Mobility)
- A dedicated website is under construction and will be launched soon

IMSCO on Twitter

The office has started a Twitter Account. You can follow us [@mariescurie_ire](https://twitter.com/mariescurie_ire)

COFUND Fellowships: 2nd Call of 2020 RESEARCHERS: TRAIN TO MOVE (T2M) programme

The University of Turin, with the support of the European Commission and the banking foundation Compagnia di San Paolo under FP7-PEOPLE-2013-COFUND Action, is going to launch the 2nd Call of 2020 RESEARCHERS: TRAIN TO MOVE (T2M) programme, co-funded by the Marie Curie Actions. All useful information is available at www.train2move.unito.it

What did you think of FP7?

The EU is carrying out a public consultation on the evaluation of the 7th Framework Programme. You can participate at <https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/ex-post-evaluation-7th-framework-programme-2015>.

Research Job Opportunities

Finally, a reminder that there are thousands of research jobs, including vacancies in FP7 Marie Curie Actions and open calls for fellowship programmes COFUNDED by the FP7 MC Actions, published on <http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/index.cfm/jobs/index>.



<http://www.iua.ie/mariecurie>