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MARIE SKŁODOWSKA-CURIE ACTIONS

Individual Fellowships (IF)

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Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions



ITN Innovative Training Networks

What does it offer?

High-quality research training delivered through international and interdisciplinary networks, industrial doctorates or joint doctorates

Who applies?

International networks of research organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors

Who is funded?

Researchers at doctoral level (less than four years of full-time research experience and no doctoral degree)



IF Individual Fellowships

What does it offer?

Opportunities to work on personal research projects by moving between countries and possibly sectors to acquire new skills

Who applies?

Individual researchers together with the host organisation

Who is funded?

Postdoctoral researchers



RISE Research and Innovation Staff Exchange

What does it offer?

The exchange of staff members involved in research and innovation to develop sustainable collaborative projects and the transfer of knowledge

Who applies?

International networks of research organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors

Who is funded?

Researchers, technical, administrative and managerial staff of any nationality and at all career levels



COFUND Co-Funding of Regional, National and International Programmes

What does it offer?

Regional, national or international programmes to foster excellence in researchers' training, mobility and career development

Who applies?

Organisations funding or managing doctoral programmes or fellowship programmes

Who is funded?

Researchers at doctoral and postdoctoral level



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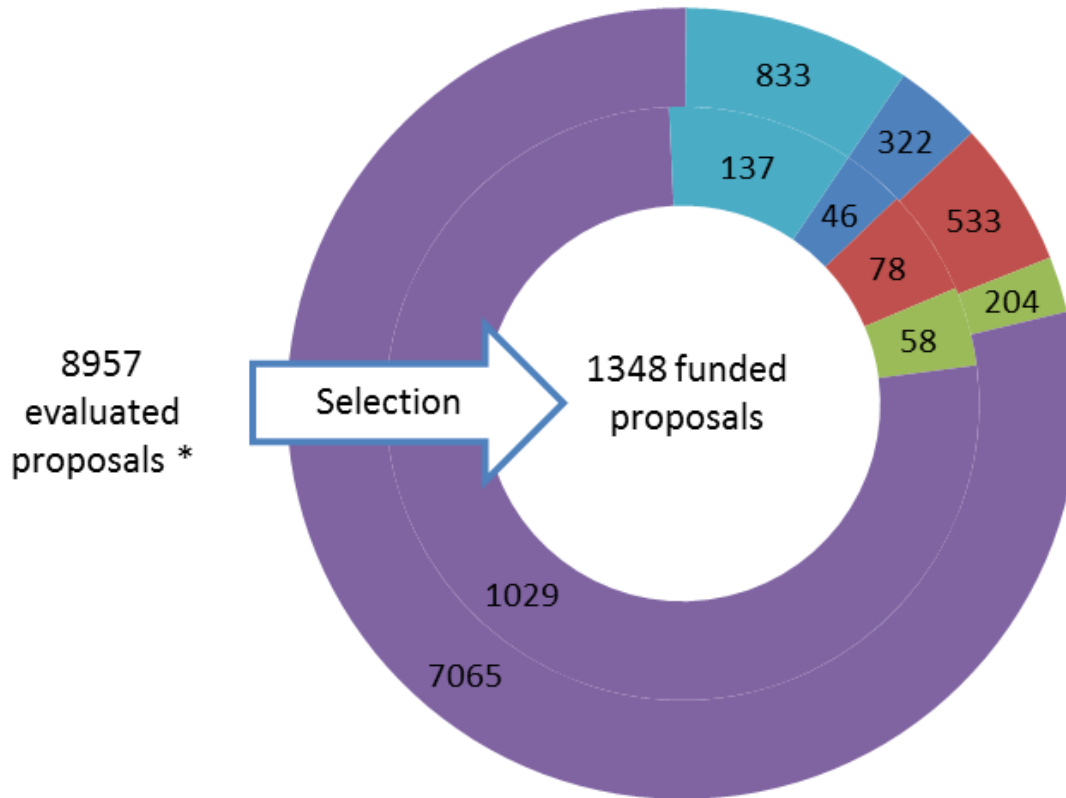
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* 132 proposals ineligible, inadmissible or withdrawn

- MSCA-IF-EF-CAR
- MSCA-IF-EF-RI
- MSCA-IF-EF-SE
- MSCA-IF-EF-ST
- MSCA-IF-GF

IF-2017: Results



MSCA-IF-2017: Cumulative percentage of proposals above threshold, with a given score or higher (funding range marked in green)

Number of eligible proposals	322 proposals	533 proposals	204 proposals	1012 proposals	178 proposals	850 proposals	883 proposals	1701 proposals	167 proposals	763 proposals	1511 proposals	71 proposals	21 proposals	99 proposals	124 proposals	213 proposals	8 proposals	65 proposals	232 proposals
Score equal to or above	CAR	RI	SE	ST-CHE	ST-ECO	ST-ENG	ST-ENV	ST-LIF	ST-MAT	ST-PHY	ST-SOC	GF-CHE	GF-ECO	GF-ENG	GF-ENV	GF-LIF	GF-MAT	GF-PHY	GF-SOC
100	0.00%	0.38%	0.00%	0.00%	0.56%	0.12%	0.00%	0.00%	0.60%	0.00%	0.13%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.43%
99	0.31%	0.56%	0.00%	0.00%	0.56%	0.47%	0.45%	0.35%	0.60%	0.00%	0.46%	0.00%	0.00%	1.01%	0.81%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.43%
98	0.62%	0.94%	0.00%	0.20%	0.56%	1.53%	0.57%	1.06%	0.60%	0.13%	0.99%	0.00%	0.00%	2.02%	3.23%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.72%
97	1.86%	2.06%	0.49%	1.09%	0.56%	2.94%	1.02%	2.29%	1.20%	1.05%	2.51%	0.00%	0.00%	4.04%	4.03%	0.94%	0.00%	0.00%	4.74%
96	2.80%	4.32%	0.49%	2.47%	1.12%	4.53%	3.51%	4.53%	2.39%	2.10%	4.17%	4.23%	0.00%	7.07%	4.84%	2.82%	0.00%	0.00%	6.47%
95	5.28%	8.44%	1.47%	4.35%	1.12%	6.59%	5.89%	8.29%	5.39%	2.62%	5.43%	7.04%	0.00%	9.09%	5.65%	4.23%	0.00%	3.08%	10.78%
94	6.83%	12.20%	3.43%	6.92%	3.93%	8.94%	9.51%	11.58%	7.78%	4.06%	7.61%	11.27%	4.76%	11.11%	9.68%	6.57%	0.00%	4.62%	12.93%
93	9.63%	16.70%	5.88%	9.49%	6.16%	11.41%	12.34%	15.29%	9.58%	6.42%	9.86%	16.90%	4.76%	17.17%	15.32%	10.33%	12.50%	6.15%	15.09%
92	12.42%	20.26%	8.82%	12.75%	7.30%	13.06%	15.63%	18.17%	13.17%	9.70%	11.52%	21.13%	4.76%	22.22%	17.74%	14.08%	25.00%	12.31%	17.24%
91	15.22%	25.89%	9.80%	16.30%	9.55%	16.00%	19.25%	21.34%	16.17%	12.19%	14.56%	22.54%	4.76%	25.25%	22.58%	17.84%	25.00%	20.00%	19.83%
90	17.39%	29.64%	10.78%	19.07%	12.36%	18.47%	22.54%	24.93%	18.56%	16.12%	17.47%	28.17%	4.76%	32.32%	26.61%	21.60%	25.00%	23.08%	21.98%
89	18.32%	33.96%	12.75%	22.83%	14.61%	21.76%	25.59%	28.45%	22.16%	19.66%	19.66%	29.58%	4.76%	36.36%	29.84%	23.94%	25.00%	26.15%	24.57%
88	21.12%	37.90%	17.65%	27.17%	18.54%	24.94%	28.65%	32.16%	23.95%	23.98%	22.63%	32.39%	19.05%	40.40%	34.68%	27.23%	25.00%	29.23%	27.16%
87	23.60%	40.71%	20.59%	31.03%	20.22%	27.06%	32.50%	36.16%	26.95%	27.39%	25.08%	40.85%	38.10%	42.42%	41.94%	30.52%	25.00%	35.38%	30.60%
86	27.02%	43.15%	23.53%	35.18%	21.35%	30.59%	36.35%	40.21%	33.53%	33.16%	28.33%	43.66%	38.10%	43.43%	43.55%	34.27%	25.00%	38.46%	34.48%
85	30.12%	47.09%	25.98%	38.93%	23.60%	33.41%	40.43%	44.39%	39.52%	36.83%	30.64%	52.11%	52.38%	46.46%	47.58%	38.03%	25.00%	41.54%	35.34%
84	31.06%	49.16%	27.94%	42.09%	27.53%	37.41%	45.07%	47.68%	41.92%	41.42%	33.42%	52.11%	52.38%	50.51%	53.23%	39.91%	25.00%	52.31%	37.93%
83	34.16%	54.41%	29.90%	46.44%	28.65%	41.18%	49.26%	51.97%	45.51%	45.74%	36.47%	56.34%	61.90%	52.53%	58.87%	42.72%	25.00%	55.38%	39.66%
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80	43.48%	61.16%	39.71%	60.08%	36.52%	50.12%	57.76%	63.67%	55.09%	58.72%	46.19%	61.97%	66.67%	58.59%	67.74%	58.22%	62.50%	67.69%	49.57%
79	45.96%	64.17%	43.14%	63.83%	40.45%	53.41%	60.02%	66.96%	57.49%	62.65%	48.31%	66.20%	66.67%	60.61%	70.97%	61.03%	75.00%	70.77%	53.02%
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71	63.98%	81.61%	59.31%	80.34%	58.43%	71.41%	77.01%	84.60%	73.05%	83.09%	68.83%	81.69%	71.43%	76.77%	82.26%	84.04%	87.50%	83.08%	74.57%
70	64.91%	82.93%	61.76%	82.61%	59.55%	73.53%	79.50%	86.48%	78.44%	85.71%	71.61%	84.51%	76.19%	79.80%	83.87%	85.92%	87.50%	84.62%	78.02%
Percentage of proposals below threshold (<70)	35.09%	17.07%	38.24%	17.39%	40.45%	26.47%	20.50%	13.52%	21.56%	14.29%	28.39%	15.49%	23.81%	20.20%	16.13%	14.08%	12.50%	15.38%	21.98%

How to interpret this table

The percentage of proposals above the overall threshold and with a given score or higher is shown per ranking list. Green shows the funding range. Proposals below the overall threshold are shown separately and are not part of the cumulative total.

- For example:
- in the CAR ranking, 5.28% of all proposals submitted in the ranking list (total 322) scored 95 or higher. The funding cut off is between 91 and 92.
 - in the ST-PHY ranking, 23.98% of all proposals submitted in the ranking list (total 763) scored 88 or higher. The funding cut off is at 90.
 - in the GF-SOC ranking, 21.98% of the proposals scored less than 70, meaning that 78.02% score more than 70.



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EF

**European
Fellowships**

*held in EU Member States or
Associated Countries*

228M€

GF

**Global
Fellowships**

*based on an outgoing phase
to a third country and a
return phase in MS/AC*

45M€

Call Opening: **12 April 2018**
Call Deadline: **12 September 2018, 17:00:00 CET**
Evaluation: **October – November 2018**
Launch Grant preparation: **January 2019**



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What are Individual Fellowships?



What are IFs?

- Individual trans-national fellowships to the best and most promising **experienced*** researchers
(* with PhD or 4-year full-time equivalent research experience)

European Fellowships

Standard (ST)

Career Restart Panel (CAR)

Re-integration Panel (RI)

Society & Enterprise Panel (SE)

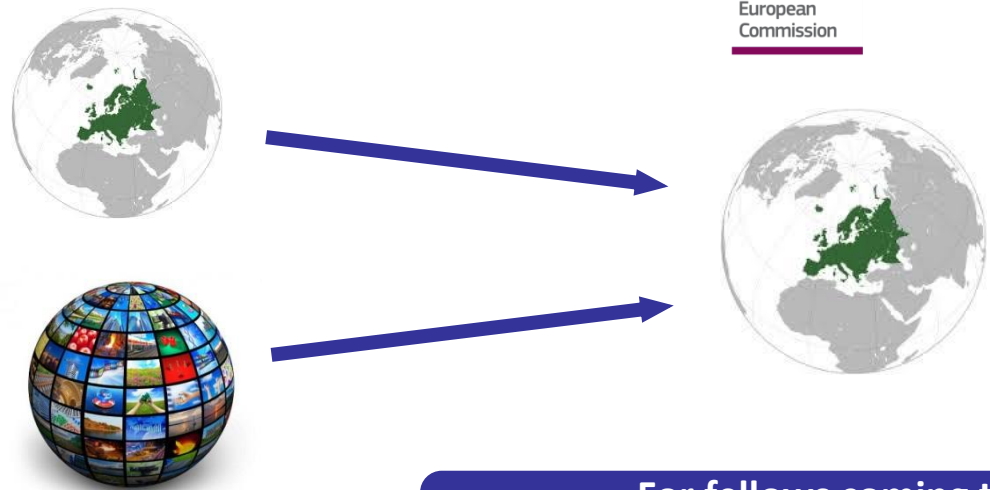
Global Fellowships

- ✓ **Secondments** of 3 – 6 months in Europe (MS or AC), for greater impact
- ✓ Specific eligibility criteria
- ✓ Career development with an appropriate **inter-sectoral** dimension

What are Individual Fellowships?



An Experienced Researcher may submit only one proposal to this call for proposals.



European Fellowships

For fellows coming to or moving within Europe
duration 12-36 months for CAR **New!**
duration 12-24 months for other EF



Global Fellowships

For fellows from Europe going to third countries (12-24 months) & returning to Europe (12 months)



Total duration 24-36 months

Which countries?



Member States (MS)

Associated Countries (AC):

Iceland, Norway, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, Turkey, Israel, Moldova, Switzerland, Faroe Islands, Ukraine, Tunisia, Georgia, Armenia

Third Countries (TC): any other country

Which sectors?



Academic

Public or private **Higher Education establishment** awarding academic degrees

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

International **European interest** organisations



Non-academic

Broad definition:

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



EU Validation Services ultimately determine the sector of each participating organisation

What is a "Project"?



A project :

- is written by the experienced researcher
- includes a concrete plan of training-through-research
- is implemented in the host organisation's premises
- is under the direct supervision of the Supervisor(s)

It should have realistic and well-defined objectives in terms of **career advancement** or for resuming a research career after a break.

What is a "Project"?



Typical training activities may include:

- **training-through-research:** individual personalised action
- Hands-on training activities for developing **scientific** (new techniques, instruments) and **transferable skills** (proposal preparation to request funding, IPR management , task coordination, supervising & monitoring, exploitation of research results)
- **Inter-sectoral or interdisciplinary transfer of knowledge** (e.g. through secondments)
- Organisation of **scientific/training/dissemination events**
- Communication, **outreach activities** and horizontal skills
- Training dedicated to **gender issues**

What is the financial contribution?



Individual Fellowships	Researcher unit cost [person/month]			Institutional unit cost [person/month]	
	Living allowance*	Mobility allowance	Family allowance	Research, training & networking costs	Management & indirect costs
	4.880 EUR <i>Updated!</i>	600 EUR	500 EUR	800 EUR	650 EUR

*adjusted through the application of a **country correction coefficient (BE= 100%)**

What are secondments?



A transfer of knowledge which contributes significantly to the impact of the fellowship.

Fellowship Duration	Maximum duration of secondment
\leq 18 months	3 months
$>$ 18 months	6 months

- Secondment(s) should be clearly described in proposal
- Can be a single period or divided into multiple shorter periods
- Can be at more than one partner organisation located in MS/AC
- Can be to an institution in the same country as the beneficiary
- Can be in the same sector although intersectoral secondment is highly encouraged
- No letter of commitment is needed.
- Different from short visit (e.g. field work), which *can* be done in a TC.

A special rule for **Global Fellowships** applies in duly justified cases.



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An experienced researcher applies with a host institution for a research project that can last between 12 and 24/36 months*

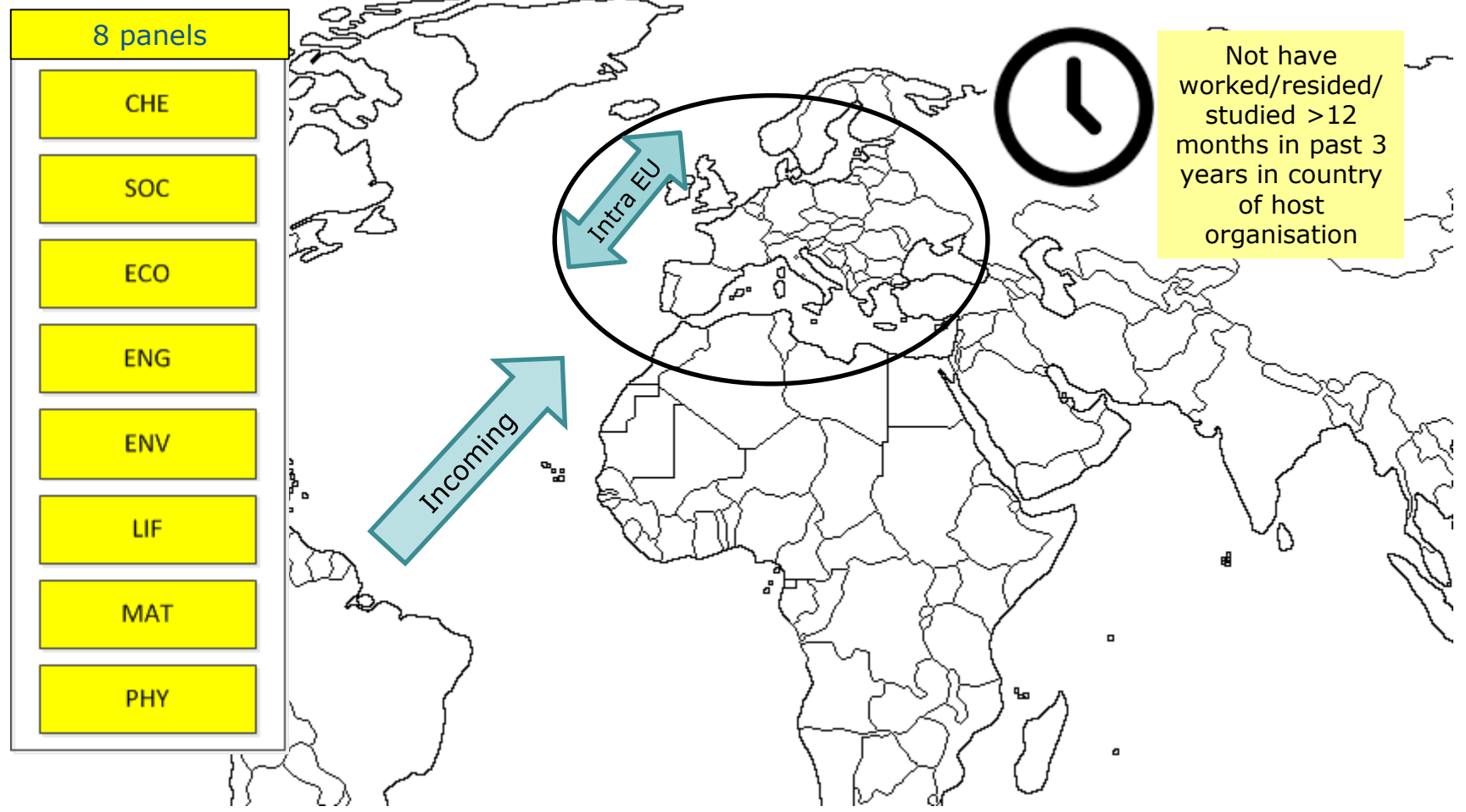
Host Institution (future Beneficiary)

* 12 to 36 months for CAR,
12 to 24 months for other EF

- Location: MS or AC
- Sector: Academic or Non-academic
- Can be International European Interest Organisation (IEIO)
- Can be International Organisation (exceptional cases)
- Appoints the Supervisor
- Recruits the experienced researcher (with a contract of employment)

Researcher (future Fellow)

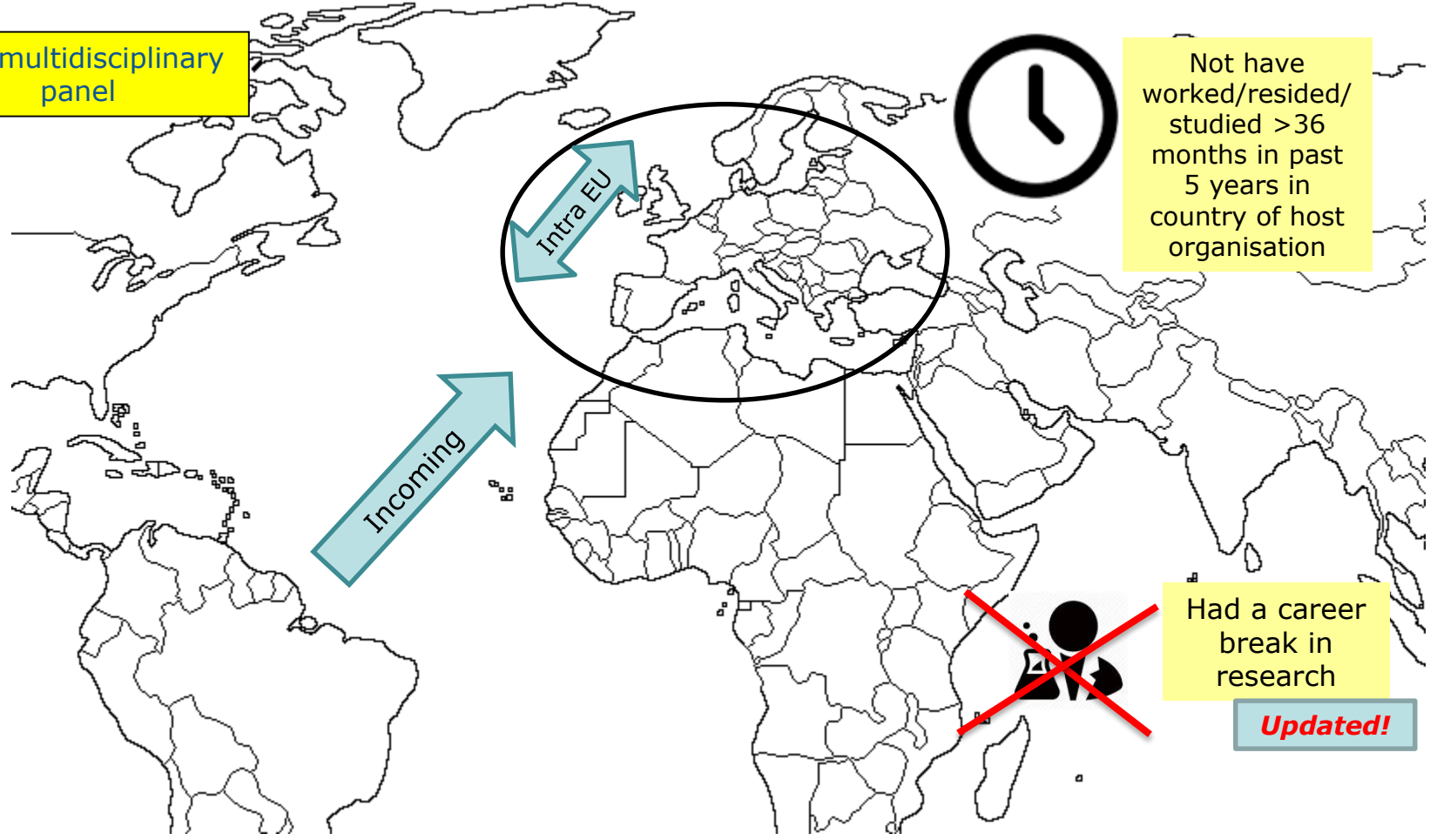
- Must undertake transnational mobility
- Can be of any nationality (with the exception of the Re-Integration panel)



- 8 panels
- CHE
 - SOC
 - ECO
 - ENG
 - ENV
 - LIF
 - MAT
 - PHY



One multidisciplinary panel



Not have worked/resided/ studied >36 months in past 5 years in country of host organisation

Had a career break in research

Updated!

Definition of **CAREER BREAK** in research:

Not have been active in research for at least 12 consecutive months within the 18 months immediately prior to the deadline for submission of proposals (13/03/17 to 12/09/18).

Active in research means

- **being employed in research, or**
- **holding a scholarship in research**

The **professional status** should be clearly explained in the proposal, both **in part A and B**, e.g. *unemployment, parental leave, sick leave, periods of employment outside of research*



One multidisciplinary panel

Not have worked/resided /studied >36 months in past 5 years in country of host organisation

If not of European nationality, researcher must have spent at least 5 years in Europe before leaving (long term residency)

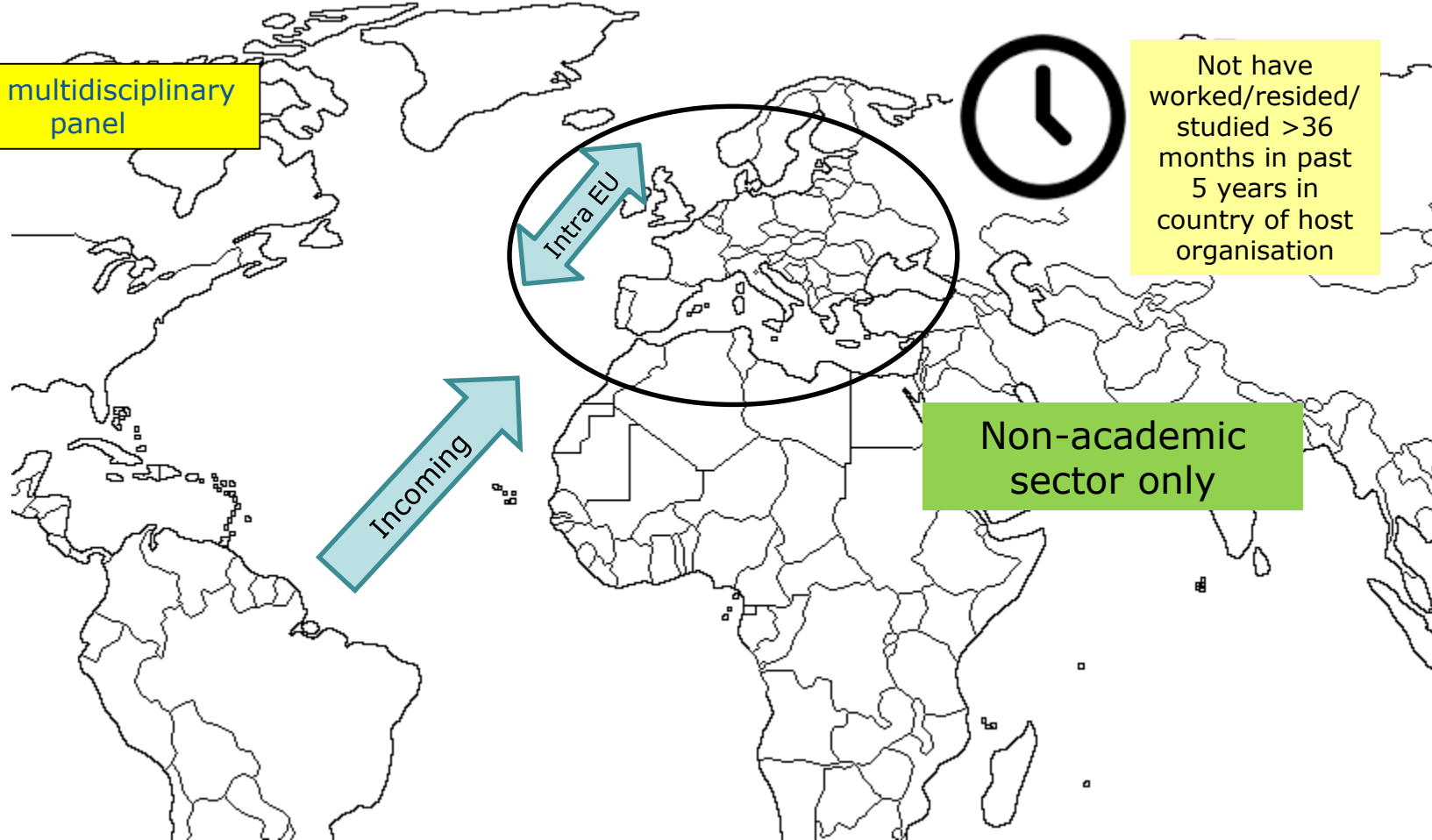
Researcher left EU

Researcher now returns to EU

No minimum time spent outside EU



One multidisciplinary panel



Not have worked/resided/studied >36 months in past 5 years in country of host organisation

Non-academic sector only



Beneficiary **from the non-academic sector only:**

- industry and business (including SMEs)
- government
- civil society organisations (NGOs, trusts, foundations, etc.)
- cultural institutions and museums
- hospitals
- international organisations
- ...

Earmarked budget of 8 million € & **high success rate**



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Host Institution (future Beneficiary)

Same as in EF!

- Location: MS or AC
- Sector: Academic or Non-academic
- Can be International European Interest Organisation (IEIO)
- Can be International Organisation (exceptional cases)
- Appoints the Supervisor
- Recruits the experienced researcher (with a contract of employment)

Partner Organisation

Different from EF!

- Location: Third Country (not MS or AC)
- Sector: Academic or Non-academic
- Can be an International Organisation
- Nominates a Supervisor for the researcher
- Provides a signed Letter of Commitment in the proposal

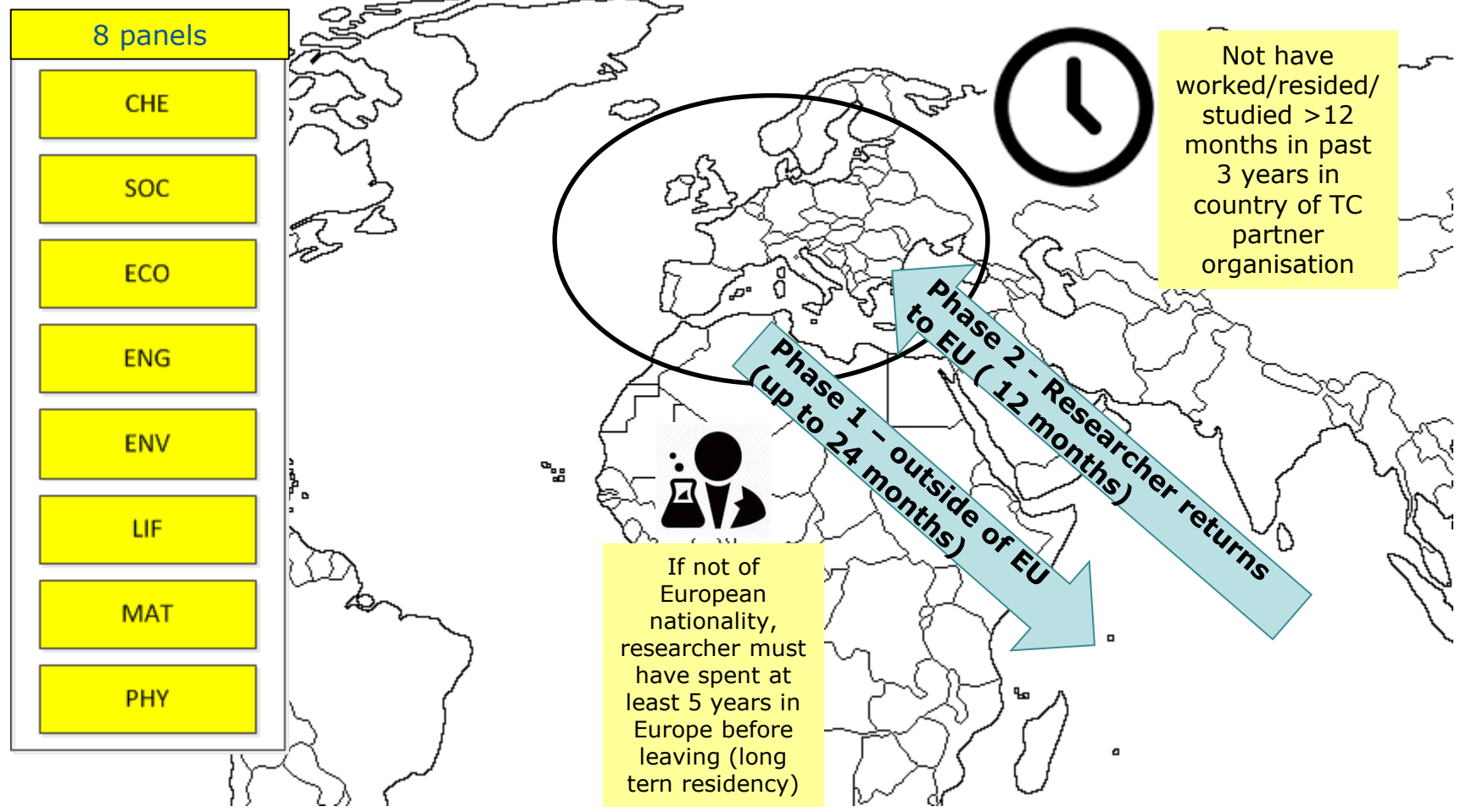
The partner organisation

- **DOES NOT** sign the Grant Agreement
- **DOES NOT** recruit the researcher
- **DOES NOT** claim costs directly from the action



Researcher (future Fellow)

- Must undertake mobility from ANY country to the partner organisation in the Third Country. The researcher cannot have spent more than 3 years in the last 5 years in the Third Country of the partner organisation
- Nationality: national of MS/AC or long-term resident of a MS/AC
- Will be under the direct supervision of two Supervisors





!!!!!!! *Document needed only for Global Fellowships !!!!!!!*

The **Letter of Commitment** has no specific template, but:

- has heading or stamp from the partner organisation
- is up-to-date (i.e. issued after the call publication, 12 April 2018)
- must demonstrate the will to actively participate in the proposed action and the precise role

If no letter of commitment is included in a Global Fellowship proposal, it will be declared inadmissible and will not be evaluated.

Overview of the eligibility criteria per action

INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIPS		EUROPEAN				GLOBAL
		ST	CAR	RI	SE	GF
EXPERIENCED RESEARCHERS	Nationality	ANY	ANY	MS, AC or long-term residents	ANY	MS, AC or long-term residents
	Mobility	From ANY country to MS or AC	From ANY country to MS or AC	From TC directly to MS or AC (location of host institution)	From ANY country to MS or AC	From ANY country to TC then to MS/AC
		<= 12 months in the last 3 years	<= 36 months in the last 5 years	<= 36 months in the last 5 years	<= 36 months in the last 5 years	<= 12 months in the last 3 years
	Career break in research	-	at least 12 months within 18 months prior to call deadline	-	-	-
PARTICIPANTS	Beneficiary	MS or AC	MS or AC	MS or AC	MS or AC <u>Non-academic only</u>	MS or AC
	Entity with capital or legal link	MS or AC	MS or AC	MS or AC	MS or AC <u>Non-academic only</u>	MS or AC
	Partner Organisation	MS or AC (optional secondment)	MS or AC (optional secondment)	MS or AC (optional secondment)	MS or AC (optional secondment, both Academic and Non-Academic)	<u>outgoing phase (mandatory) TC</u>
MS or AC (optional secondment)						
DURATION (months)		12 to 24	12 to 36	12 to 24	12 to 24	24 to 36 (<i>12 to 24 + 12</i>)
SCIENTIFIC AREAS		8	8	8	8	8
NUMBER OF RANKING LISTS		8	1	1	1	8
BUDGET (total € 218.5 million)		€220 million			€8 million	€ 45million



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Evaluation & Award Criteria



Excellence	Impact	Quality and Efficiency of Implementation
Quality and credibility of the research/innovation project; level of novelty, appropriate consideration of inter/multidisciplinary and gender aspects	Enhancing the future career prospects of the researcher after the fellowship	Coherence and effectiveness of the work plan, including appropriateness of the allocation of tasks and resources
Quality and appropriateness of the training and of the two way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host	Quality of the proposed measures to exploit and disseminate the project results	Appropriateness of the management structure and procedures, including risk management
Quality of the supervision and of the integration in the team/institution	Quality of the proposed measures to communicate the project activities to different target audiences	Appropriateness of the institutional environment (infrastructure)
Potential of the researcher to reach or re-enforce professional maturity/independence during the fellowship		

Each criterion will be scored out of 5. Decimal points will be given.

Evaluation & Award Criteria



0 – Proposal fails to address the criterion and cannot be assessed due to missing or incomplete information.

1 – Poor. The criterion is inadequately addressed, or there are serious inherent weaknesses.

2 – Fair. The proposal broadly addresses the criterion, but there are significant weaknesses.

3 – Good. The proposal addresses the criterion well, but a number of shortcomings are present.

4 – Very good. Proposal addresses the criterion very well, but a small number of shortcomings are present.

5 – Excellent. Proposal successfully addresses all relevant aspects of the criterion. Any shortcomings are minor.

Evaluation & Award Criteria



A weighed total score of the scores of the three individual criteria will be calculated and converted into a percentage of the maximum score.

Excellence	Impact	Quality and Efficiency of Implementation
Weighing		
50%	30%	20%
Priority in Case of ex-aequo		
1	2	3

An overall threshold of 70% will be applied to the total weighed score. Proposals under the threshold will be rejected.

Prioritization in case of ex-aequo

- if necessary based on other appropriate characteristics that are
 - * decided by the panel
 - * related to the contribution of the proposal to the European Research Area and/or general objectives mentioned in the Work Programme
- depends on available budget and call conditions

Evaluation Process



- Each proposal is read and evaluated by **three evaluators** in an individual and independent manner. Each evaluator prepares an *individual evaluation report*.
- The three evaluators discuss together to reach a **unanimous consensus** on the final comments and score, and prepare a *consensus report*, containing relevant elements from the three individual reports.
- The consensus score determines the position on the ranking list.
- Applicants receive their *evaluation summary report* (i.e. a copy of the consensus report) in January.

Full details on the process are available in the Guide for Applicants available on the call page



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Horizon 2020 Funding

Starting from 1/1/2014

On this site you can find and secure **funding** for projects under the following EU programmes:

- 2014-2020 Horizon 2020 - research and innovation framework programme
- 2007-2013 7th research framework programme (FP7) and Competitiveness & Innovation Programme (CIP)
- 3rd Health Programme, Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, Consumer Programme, COSME, European Statistics Programme, Hercule III Programme, Internal Security Fund Borders, Internal Security Fund Police, Justice Programme, Pilot Projects and Preparatory Actions, Promotion of Agricultural Products Programme, Research Fund for Coal & Steel, Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme and Union Civil Protection Mechanism

H2020 DASHBOARD:
Statistics on H2020 proposals, success rates, funded projects and participants.

Projects for Policy (P4P)

Non-registered users

- search for funding
- read the H2020 Online Manual & download the legal documents
- check if an organisation is already registered
- contact our support services or check our FAQs

Registered users

- submit your proposal
- sign the grant
- manage your project throughout its lifecycle
- register as expert advising the Commission

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The **Guide for Applicants** is available on the [call page in the Participant Portal](#).

You should consider this document as the primary base for any information on how to prepare your proposal and what should be discussed for each (sub)criterion.

Please follow all instructions closely!

Proposal Part A (Submission Forms)



Proposals must be submitted electronically using the Participant Portal.

Part A: administrative details

Section 1 – General Information

Section 2 – Administrative data of participating organisations (supervisor(s), researcher)

Section 3 – Budget: information on the duration (person-months) to calculate the total requested EU contribution.

Section 4 – Ethics: identifies any ethical aspects of the proposed work. Even if there are no issues, you must simply confirm that none of the ethical issues apply to the proposal.

Section 5 – Call specific questions request declarations related to eligibility and personal data, together with questions on any secondment in Europe.

The "core" of the proposal – the structure below is mandatory
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DOCUMENT 1 (10-PAGE LIMIT APPLIED)

START PAGE COUNT

1. EXCELLENCE
2. IMPACT
3. IMPLEMENTATION

MAX 10 pages

STOP PAGE COUNT

DOCUMENT 2 (NO OVERALL PAGE LIMIT APPLIED)

4. CV OF THE EXPERIENCED RESEARCHER
5. CAPACITIES OF THE PARTICIPATING ORGANISATIONS
6. ETHICAL ASPECTS
7. LETTERS OF COMMITMENT OF PARTNER ORGANISATIONS
(GF only)

Part B is submitted as two separate documents – you will not be able to submit the proposal in the submission system unless both Parts 1 and 2 are provided in pdf format.

Of the maximum 10 pages applied to sections 1, 2 and 3, applicants are free to decide on the allocation of pages between the sections. However, the overall page limit will be strictly applied, excess pages will be blanked out and experts will not be able to read them. It is the responsibility of the applicant to verify that the submitted pdf documents are readable and are within the page limit.

Descriptors



Descriptors (keywords) are chosen by applicants to guide REA in selection of experts and allocation of proposals to the experts.

Applicants select the descriptors **in order of importance** with 1st being the most important, with a **minimum of three and a maximum of five** descriptors.

The GfA contains a breakdown of scientific areas into descriptors.

Keep in mind:

- The mandatory **first descriptor** should best characterise the subject of the proposal, and should be chosen from the area of research chosen for the proposal.
- The mandatory **second descriptor** should be within the same area of research (e.g.: CHE).
- The mandatory **third descriptor** can be from any of the eight areas of research.
- Applicants may add **two** additional descriptors chosen freely from any of the eight areas of research.



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The Career Restart Panel and the Re-Integration Panels have been **strengthened**:

- The maximum duration for **Career Restart** proposals has been increased from 24 months to **36 months**.
- To increase the success rates for the **Career Restart** and **Re-Integration** panels, a weighting will be applied during the budget distribution. Eligible proposals for Career Restart will have a weighting of 2 times the weighting of the eligible proposals in the other panels. For Re-Integration the weighting will be 1.5 times higher.

Widening Fellowships



New!

Which countries are concerned?



Member States: Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia.

Associated Countries: Albania, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Faroe Islands, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Georgia, Moldova, Montenegro, Serbia, Tunisia, Turkey and Ukraine.

Budget



2018: EUR 5 million
2019: EUR 6 million
2020: EUR 7 million

Applicants who do not wish to be considered for this funding opportunity can opt out during the application stage.

Special Needs Grants



New!

For **recruited researchers** with an H2020 MSCA grant having long term physical, mental, intellectual or sensory impairments.

The special needs allowance will take the form of a **lump sum** awarded in the form of a low value grant to an identified beneficiary and will cover up to 100% of eligible costs.

It will be limited to a **maximum of EUR 60,000 per researcher** and will be available as of **Q1 2019**.

For details please refer to the MSCA Work Programme and information available on the Participant Portal.

The IF proposal should NOT contain any information on disabilities (separate grant, separate evaluation).



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NCP – National Contact Point



The screenshot shows the 'RESEARCH & INNOVATION Participant Portal' website. The main heading is 'National Contact Points'. Below it, there is a section titled 'Network of National Contact Points (NCPs)' with a brief description: 'The network of National Contact Points (NCPs) is the main structure to provide guidance, practical information and assistance on all aspects of participation in Horizon 2020.' It also includes a section for 'NCP Services' and a search function for NCPs. The search function has two dropdown menus: one for 'Select the country' and one for 'Future and Emerging Technol...'. The 'Select the country' dropdown is currently set to 'Member states' and shows 'Austria' and 'Belgium' as options. The 'Future and Emerging Technol...' dropdown is set to 'Marie Skłodowska-Curie' and shows 'Infrastructures' and 'Information and Communicatio...' as options. There is a 'SEARCH' button to the right of the second dropdown. Below the search function, there is a 'Sort by' section with options for 'Country', 'Contact name', 'Most recent', and 'Organisation'.

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H2020 Online Manual

The H2020 Online Manual offers:

- an overview of all steps you need to know for the electronic management of proposals or grants;
- easy navigation by process steps;
- a brief descriptions on how to complete your tasks.

Links and references to:

- Guidance notes, templates
- User manuals of the relevant tools
- Frequently asked questions

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***Thank you for
your attention!***

