

Marie Skłodowska- Curie Actions

*Welcoming
researchers to
Europe*

**Information for displaced
researchers**

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Directorate-General for Education and Culture

Outline

- Key features of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions (MSCA) of the EU Horizon 2020 programme
 - funding and support for researchers moving to Europe
 - special support for post-docs restarting their careers
- New opportunities for displaced researchers
 - More flexible eligibility conditions in the MSCA for refugees
 - Cases of PhD holders without supporting documents
 - Science4Refugees on EURAXESS portal
- Sources of information and advice

Enabling researchers to...

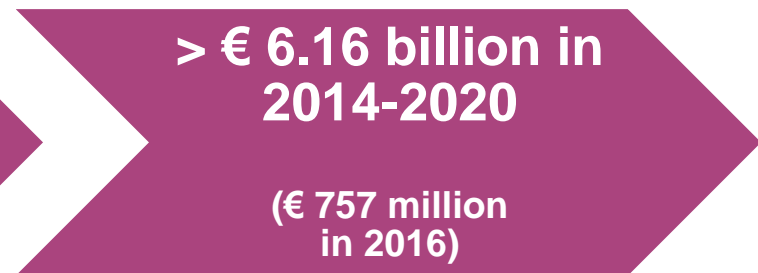
- ☑ undertake a **project** in Europe, in an academic or other (e.g. business) setting
- ☑ spend time at the **leading labs** in Europe
- ☑ be part of a well-established and **prestigious European Union** programme
- ☑ benefit from **good working conditions**

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)

**Optimum development and dynamic
use of Europe's intellectual capital**

**Excellence
Research
Knowledge**

**Training
Innovation
Skills**



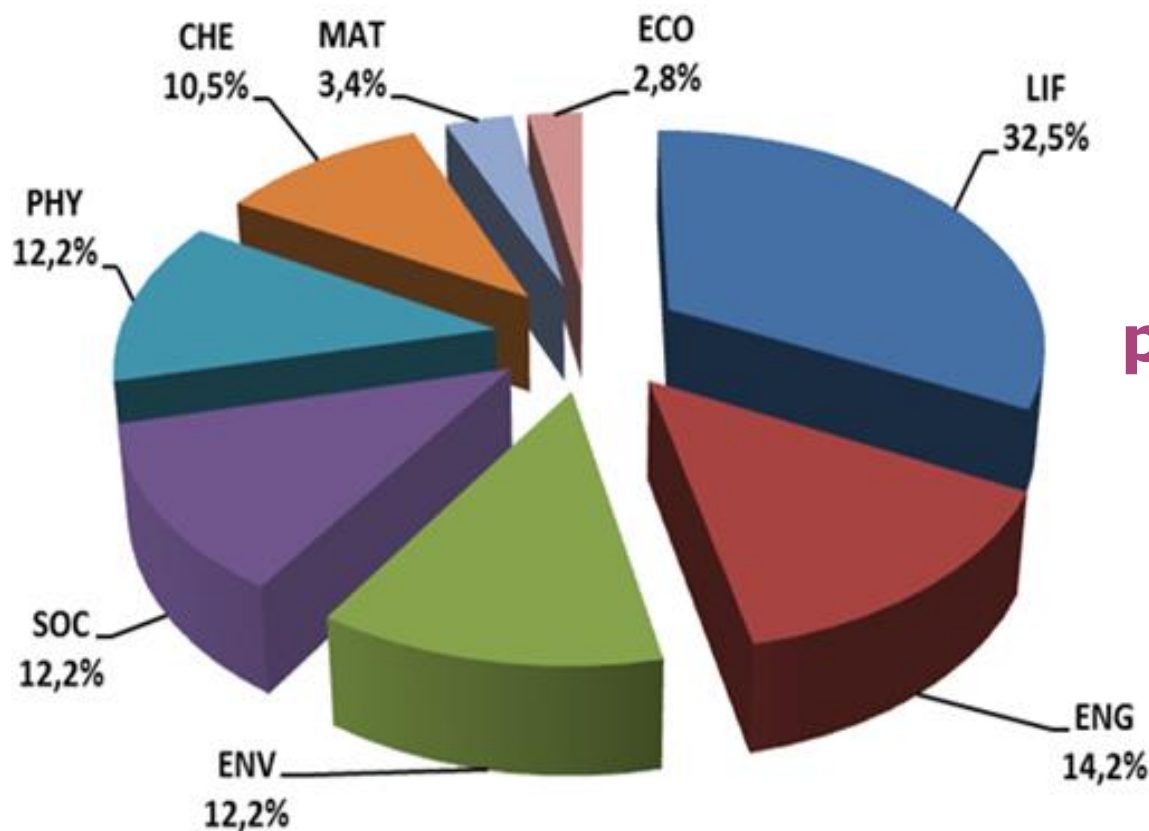
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Key features (i)



Open to **all domains of research and innovation**



**> 10 600
projects funded
(2007-2013)**



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Key features (ii)

Openness

Any nationality

Mobility

A **global scope** with international and cross-sector mobility as key components

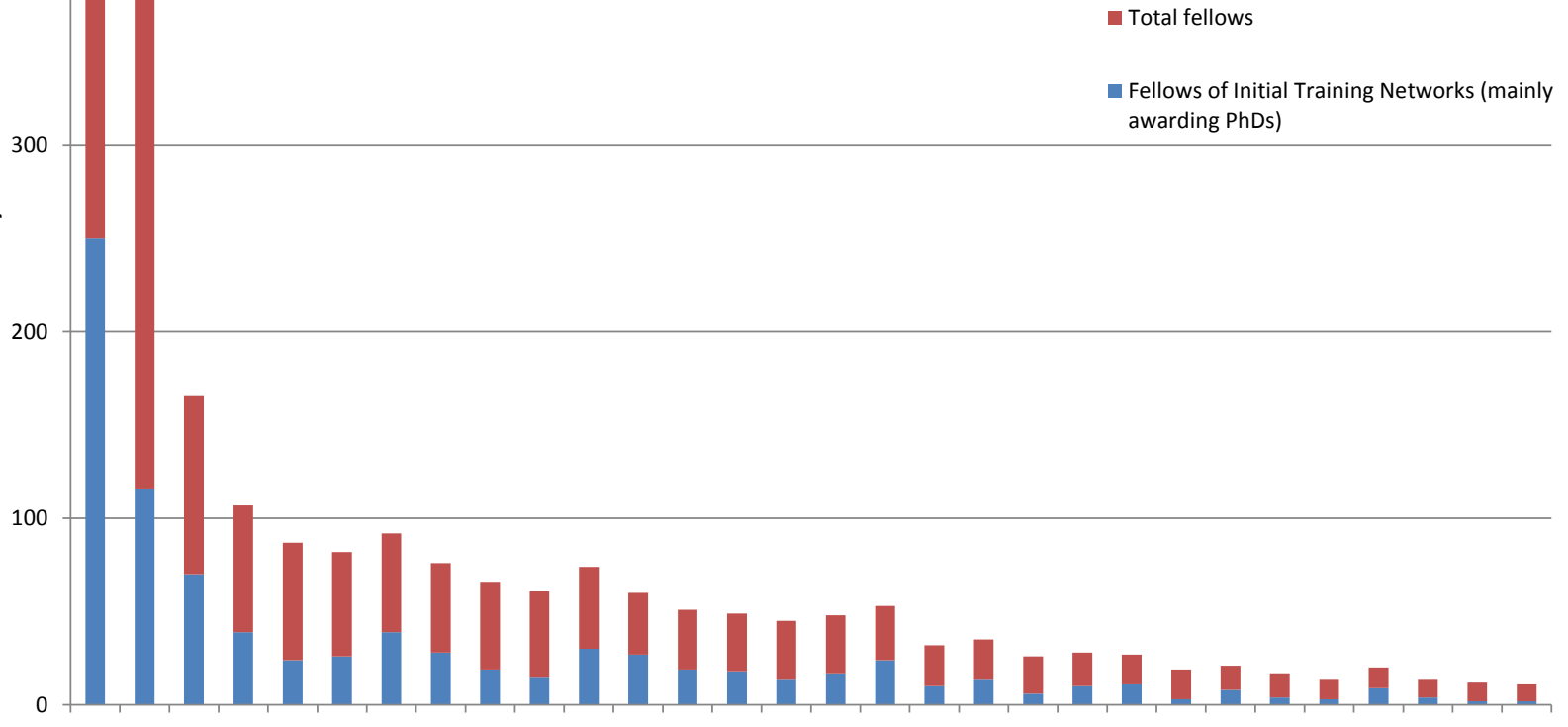
Flexibility

Open to researchers at **all career stages**

Fellows by nationality (selected world regions)

2007-13

Nationality of Fellows of 2007-13 Marie Curie Actions



Mobility to...

28 EU Member States (MS)

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria,
Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic,
Denmark, Estonia, Germany,
Greece, Finland, France,
Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia,
Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malta,
Netherlands, Poland, Portugal,
Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia,
Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom

13 Associated Countries (AC) to MSCA*

Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina,
Faroe Islands, FYROM, Iceland,
Israel, Moldova, Montenegro,
Norway, Serbia, Switzerland,
Turkey, Ukraine

* on 17.8.2015. Likely additions in 2016: Georgia, Tunisia

Career stages supported

Support for 2 categories of researchers:

- **Early Stage Researcher (ESR)**: Less than 4 years of research experience*, and without a doctoral degree ('**pre-doc**')
- **Experienced Researcher (ER)**: In possession of a doctoral degree or at least 4 years of research experience* ('**post-doc**')
- *counted from the time when the researcher is entitled to embark on a doctoral degree

The 4 main MSCA

Innovative Training Networks	ITN early-stage researchers 'pre-Doc'	Doctoral and initial training: European Training Networks, European Industrial Doctorates, European Joint Doctorates
Individual Fellowships	IF experienced researchers 'post-Doc'	Support for experienced researchers to undertake international and inter-sector mobility, incl. career restart and reintegration
Co-funding of programmes	COFUND 'pre-Doc' or 'post-Doc'	Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes: - doctoral programmes (ESR) - fellowship programmes (ER)
Research and Innovation Staff Exchange	RISE 'pre-Doc' or 'post-Doc'	International and inter-sector cooperation through the exchange of staff

Doctoral candidate level

Apply for a position in **a programme
(ITN or COFUND)**

Innovative Training Networks (ITN)



- Doctoral-level programme run by an international network of organisations, develops both research and transferable skills
- Training through undertaking personalised, multidisciplinary research projects
- Fellowships of 3-36 months that include time in the non-academic sector
- Possible industrial doctorate (joint supervision with business) or a joint doctorate



The Financial Dimension (ITN)

⚠ Employment contracts with full social security
Monthly rates

For the researcher		For the hosting organisation	
Living allowance*	3110 [§] €	Research, networking, training costs	1800 €
Mobility allowance	600 [§] €	Management and indirect costs	1200 €
Family allowance	500 [§] €		

* Living allowance subject to country correction coefficient

§ Amount quoted is gross amount before deductions



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COFUND

- MSCA COFUND projects offer PhD candidate-level positions similar to those in an ITN programme
- ⚠️ Employment contracts with full social security
- Minimum monthly rate which hosting organisations should pay their COFUND fellows:

Remuneration costs
Early-stage researchers

2597 €

COFUND

- All ITN and COFUND positions are advertised on the **European Researcher Mobility Portal EURAXESS**
- <http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/jobs>

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EURAXESS Researchers in Motion

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Accidental Professor

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Post-doc level

Apply for **your own fellowship:**

1. through **IF**

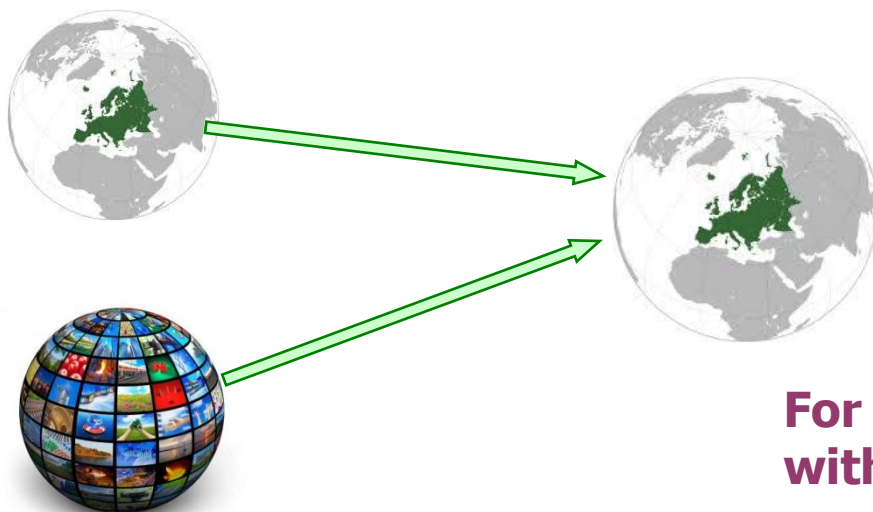
and/or

2. through **COFUND**

Post-doc fellowships (whether IF or COFUND)

- Apply in conjunction with a **hosting institution in EU or AC** that will manage the grant
- Only for **Experienced Researchers:**
In possession of a doctoral degree, or have 4 years of full-time research experience at the time of the call deadline

1. Individual Fellowships (IF)



European Fellowships (EF)

Career Restart
Panel

Re-
integration
Panel

NEW! Society
& Enterprise
Panel

**For fellows coming to or moving
within Europe (12-24 months)**

**Any Experienced Researcher may submit
only one proposal to the call for proposals
in any given year**

Global Fellowships (GF)



**For fellows from Europe going to Third countries
(12-24 months) and returning (12 months)**



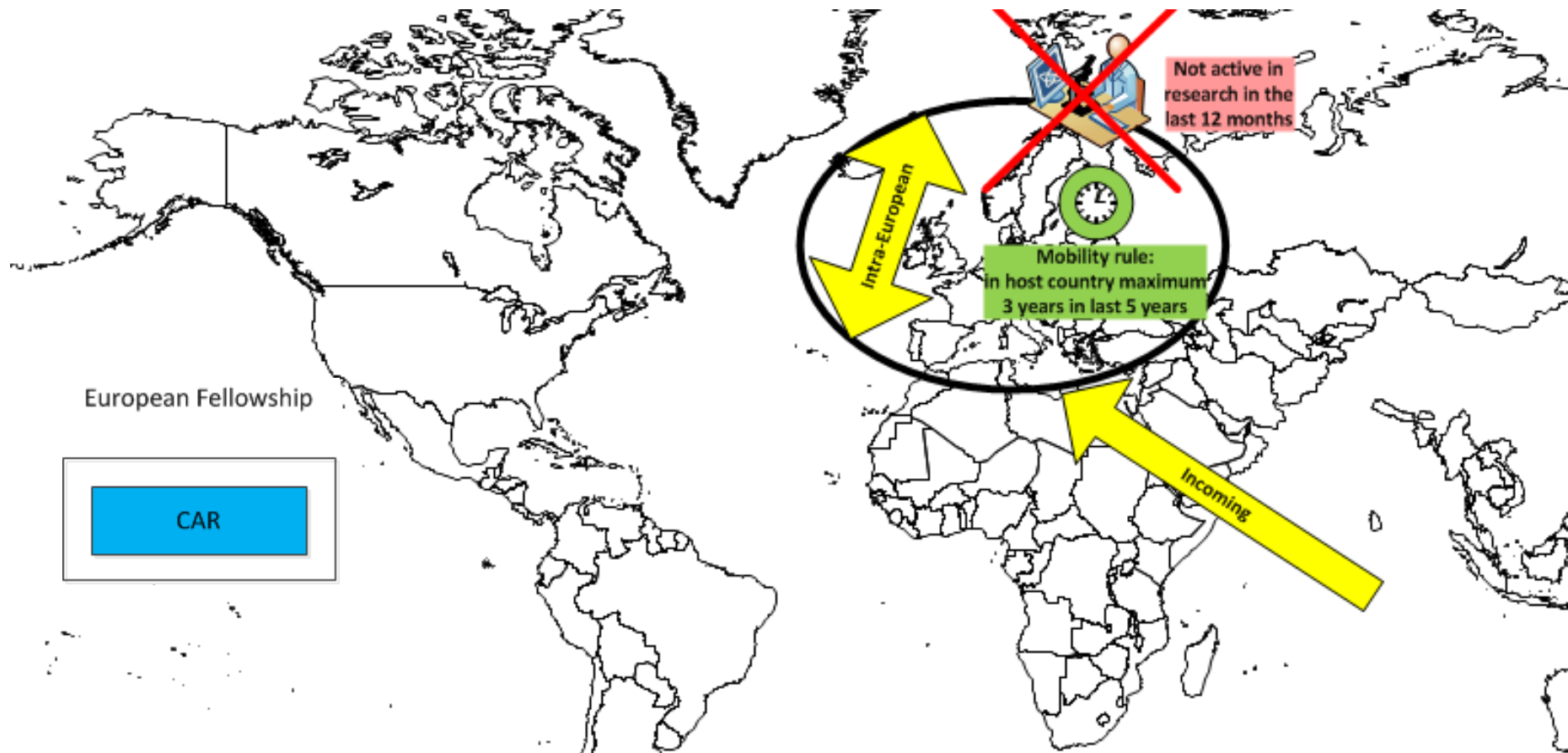
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IF European Fellowships (EF)

- **For Experienced Researchers only:** *with doctorate or at least 4 years research experience at call deadline*
- **Mobility:** Applicants must not have resided or carried out their main activity in the country of the host organisation for *more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the call deadline*
- Separate multidisciplinary panels for Society & Enterprise (€10m earmarked budget), **Career Restart**, and Reintegration – all with the same **special mobility rule:**
- Applicants must not have resided or carried out their main activity in the country of the host organisation for *more than 36 months in the 5 years immediately prior to the call deadline*
- **Additional condition for Career Restart panel (CAR):** *Not active in research for at least 12 months prior to the call deadline*



EF – Career Restart panel



The Financial Dimension (IF)

⚠ Employment contracts with full social security

Monthly rates

For the researcher		For the hosting organisation	
Living allowance*	4650 [§] €	Research, networking, training costs	800 €
Mobility allowance	600 [§] €	Management and indirect costs	650 €
Family allowance	500 [§] €		

* Living allowance subject to country correction coefficient

§ Amount quoted is gross amount before deductions

Next IF call: April 2016

Opens: 12 April 2016

Closes: 14 September 2016 @ 17:00:00 Brussels time

Budget: €218.5m

Apply at Horizon 2020 Participant Portal:

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/>

2. MSCA- cofunded Fellowship Programmes (COFUND)

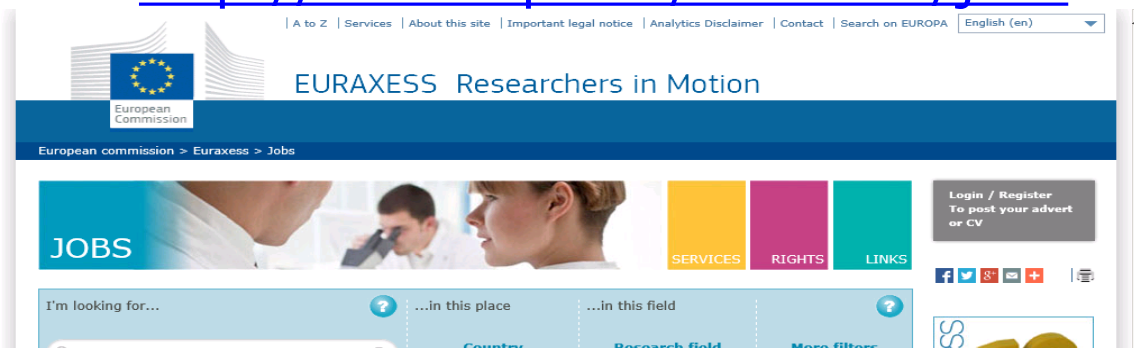
COFUND

- MSCA COFUND projects offer 'post-doc' positions similar to the IF
- ⚠️ Employment contracts with full social security
- Minimum which hosting organisations should pay their COFUND fellows:

Remuneration costs
Experienced researchers

3675 €

- All positions are advertised on the European Researcher Mobility Portal EURAXESS
- <http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/jobs>



New opportunities for displaced researchers

More flexible eligibility conditions in the MSCA

- Change applied on 3 November 2015 to **all current and future projects** in the following MSCA:
 - Innovative Training Networks (ITN)
 - Individual Fellowships (IF)
 - Cofunding of regional, national, and international programmes (COFUND)
- For **refugees** under the Geneva Convention, the refugee procedure (i.e. before refugee status is conferred) will not be counted as '**period of residence/activity in the country of the beneficiary**'.
- That period of residence/activity is **limited by a 'mobility rule'** – **please check call conditions** in the MSCA part of the Horizon 2020 Work Programme

PhD holders without supporting documents

NARIC: National Academic Recognition Information Centres in the European Union

- NARICS are adapting to the migration wave – countries are putting more resources
- Some have created new protocols to deal with those without documents e.g. Sweden
- Norwegian fast track to recognising foreign PhDs
- Best approach: host organisations contact their NARIC if uncertain about a foreign diploma e.g. doctorate
- <http://www.enic-naric.net/>

Science4Refugees on EURAXESS

- Science4Refugees matches talented refugees and asylum seekers who have a scientific background with **suitable, available positions**
- Accessible to refugees and institutions through the **EURAXESS - Researchers in Motion portal**, a pan-European initiative providing access to a complete range of information and support **services to researchers wishing to find jobs and pursue their research careers in Europe**
- Refugees and asylum seekers with a scientific background can **declare interest** in an internship or a job under the Science4Refugees initiative when **uploading their CV** to EURAXESS
- <http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/index.cfm/jobs/science4refugees>



Sources of information and advice

National Contact Points

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national_contact_points.html/

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National Contact Points

Network of National Contact Points (NCPs)

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.

What is the NCP network?

NCPs are national structures established and financed by governments of the 28 EU member states and the states associated to the framework programme. NCPs give personalised support on the spot and in applicants' own languages. The NCP systems can vary from one country to another from highly centralised to decentralised networks, and a number of very different actors, from ministries to universities, research centres and special agencies to private consulting companies.

NCPs are also established in many non-EU and non-associated countries ("third countries").

NCP Services

As the NCPs are national structures, the type and level of services offered may differ from country to country. In general, the following basic services are available in accordance with the [NCP Guiding Principles](#) agreed by all countries:

- Guidance on choosing relevant H2020 topics and types of action
- Advice on administrative procedures and contractual issues
- Training and assistance on proposal writing
- Distribution of documentation (forms, guidelines, manuals etc.)
- Assistance in partner search

Search for your NCP

Find the contact details of your national H2020 National Contact Point or those of your potential partner's country. You can search for NCPs in Member States, Associated Countries and third countries. You can also search for NCPs by thematic areas or functions; for instance, you can look for an NCP who is specialised in Marie Curie actions. Hover over the NCP functions to view the explanation of their specific responsibilities.

The third country NCPs listed below were nominated in the context of the Seventh Framework Programme. This list will be progressively updated for Horizon 2020, as necessary.

Search for:

Select the country:
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<http://www.net4mobility.eu/>

MSCA website: <http://ec.europa.eu/msca>

MSCA on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/Marie.Curie.Actions>

Practical assistance on relocating to Europe – EURAXESS Services

<http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/services>

For MSCA Alumni:

<https://www.mariecuriealumni.eu/contact-us>

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