

#### **MSCA**

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

Developing talents, advancing research



## Staff Exchanges

MSCA Ireland - promotional webinar

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### Pillar I: Excellent Science

Reinforcing and extending the excellence of the Union's science base

#### European Research Council

Frontier research by the best researchers and their teams

€16 billion

#### Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions

Equipping researchers with new knowledge and skills through mobility and training

€6.6 billion

#### Research Infrastructures

Integrated and interconnected world-class research infrastructures

€2.4 billion



### Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)

# The MSCA have main actions

#### Doctoral Networks

implement doctoral programmes (including joint doctorates and industrial doctorates) by international partnerships of organisations from different sectors. They train highly-skilled doctoral candidates, stimulate their creativity, enhance their innovation capacities and boost their employability in the long-term.

#### Postdoctoral Fellowships

support researchers'

in research and innovation.
Researchers holding a PhD can
carry out their research activities,
acquire new skills and develop their
careers abroad, whilst developing
competences in non-academic
sectors and working
within interdisciplinary teams.

careers and foster excellence

#### Staff Exchanges

encourage short-term international and intersectoral exchanges of research and innovation staff through sustainable, collaborative projects in Europe and beyond. By doing so, they enhance knowledge and skills transfer and increase organisations' research and innovation capacities.

### MSCA and Citizens

brings research and
researchers closer
to children, families
and the public at
large through the
European Researchers'
Night - the annual
research communication
and promotion event
taking place at the end of
September across EU Member
States and Horizon Europe
Associated Countries.



co-finances regional,
national and
international doctoral
and postdoctoral
programmes
for researchers'
training and career
development. The
COFUND action spreads
MSCA's best practices by
setting high standards and
excellent working conditions,
and boosts training and
international, interdisciplinary
and inter-sectoral mobility.







**Main features** 



## **Objectives**



International, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary mobility of R&I staff ("secondments")

Knowledge transfer between participating organisations

Collaboration between the academic and non-academic sectors (including SMEs)

Cooperation across the globe



Added value

**Staff members** 

Transferable skills & competences

Employability & career prospects

Ideas
converted into
products,
processes &
services

International exposure

Networking & communication

**Organisations** 

Transfer of knowledge

Collaborative networks

R&I capacity



## Eligible participants







## **Consortium composition**

- Consortium of min. 3 legal entities in 3 different countries, 2 of which in a different EU Member State or HE Associated Country.
- If all organisations are from the same sector (academic/ non-academic), there must be at least 1 organisation from a non-associated Third Country (Associated Partner).

Which are the HE Associated Countries and Third Countries?

#### See:

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/horizon/guidance/programme-guide horizon en.pdf

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/common/guidance/list-3rd-country-participation horizon-euratom en.pdf

## Eligible staff



Any type of staff involved in R&I activities (researchers, administrative staff, managerial staff, technical staff)

Each staff member is seconded for a period of 1 to 12 months (may be split into several stays \*)

Seconded staff members



Researchers at any career stage (from doctoral candidates to postdoctoral researchers)

Staff needs to be devoted **full-time** to the action during the secondment

Actively engaged in research and/or innovation activities for at least **1 month** prior at the sending institution

After the secondment, staff should return to their sending organisation

\* With one or several beneficiaries or associated partners.



## Eligible exchanges/secondments

"HOSTING" (receiving seconded staff members)

"SENDING" (sending staff members from organization)

First level MSCA keywords

Chemistry (CHE)

C1-Inorganic Chemistry

Catalysis
Coordination chemistry
Inorganic and nuclear chemistry
NMP Non-Metallic Materials & basic processes
Organometallic chemistry
Radiation and nuclear chemistry

Academic organisation Non-academic organisation **Associated Partners Associated Partners** non-eligible for funding eligible for funding in MS/AC (1) in MS/AC (2) Academic organisation in MS/AC (1) Non-academic organisation in MS/AC (2) Associated Partners\* eligible for funding **Associated Partners** non-eligible for funding

This symbol refers to same sector secondments up to 1/3 of the total implemented secondments funded by the EU as long as they are demonstrated to be interdisciplinary.

<sup>\*</sup> Associated Partners eligible for funding (see List of Participating Countries in Horizon Europe)



See: https://rea.ec.europa.eu/system/files/2021-06/MSCA%20keywords.pdf

## What does Staff Exchanges fund?



European Commission

### Key features – summary



#### **DURATION**

4 years (48 months) 1-12 months per staff 360 PM per project *Interdisciplinary* 



#### **SECONDMENTS**

1-12 months per staff
Interdisciplinary
secondments:
same sector, between
MS/AC for max 1/3 PM



#### **UNIT COST**

4600€ total
2 categories:
2300€ - Staff allowance
2300€ - Institutional



# **BUDGET**EU funding

average 75,5 Mio€/call







# **Staff Exchanges**

## Proposal submission & evaluation

### Next MSCA SE calls

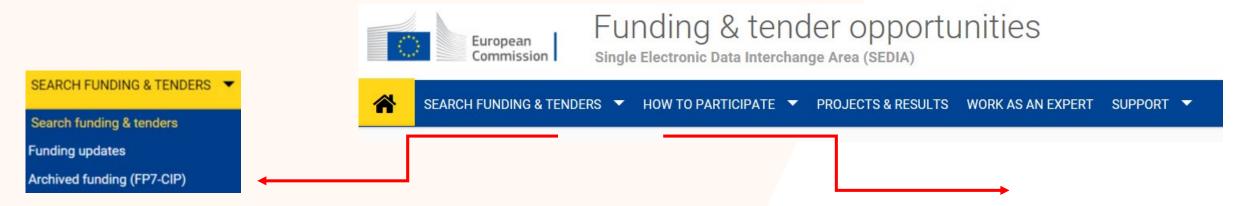






## **Proposal Submission**

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/



All calls are published on the Funding and Tender Opportunities Portal.

Applications are submitted through the portal:

Find your call

Sign in to the portal and register your organisation (get a PIC number)

- Find partners
- Apply!



Key steps

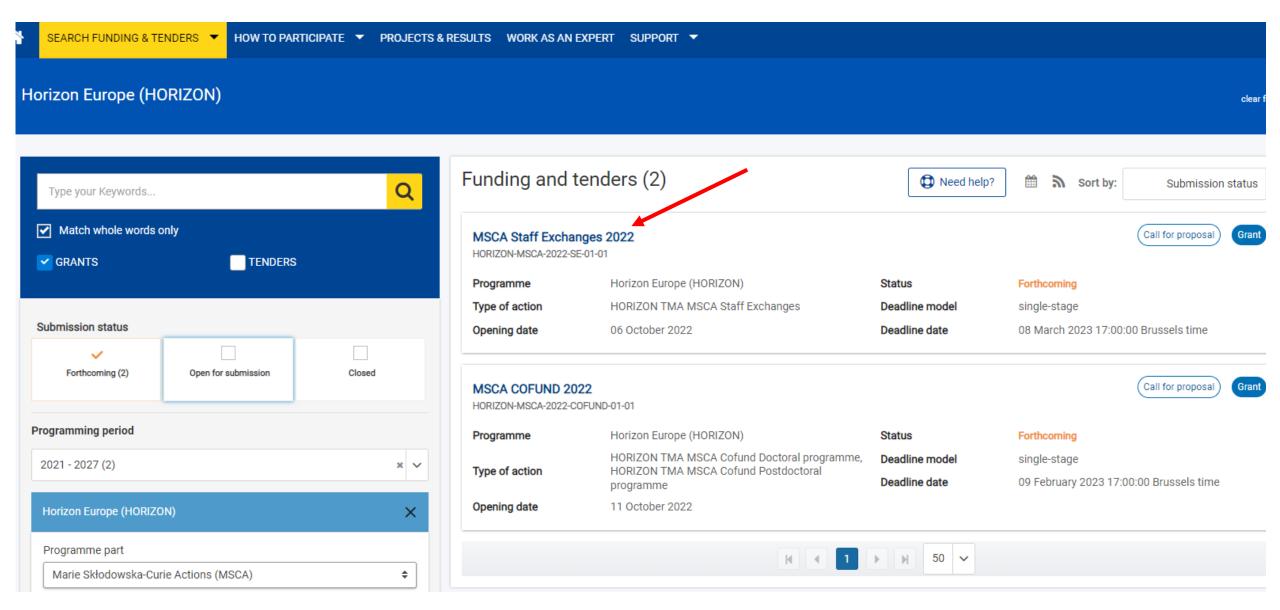
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Reference documents

Participant register

Partner search

## Forthcoming MSCA SE call



#### **General information**

Programme

Horizon Europe Framework Programme (HORIZON)

Call

MSCA Staff Exchanges 2022 (HORIZON-MSCA-2022-SE-01)



Type of action

HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-SE HORIZON TMA MSCA Staff Exchanges

Type of MGA

HORIZON Unit Grant [HORIZON-AG-

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Forthcoming

Deadline model

single-stage

Planned opening date

06 October 2022

Deadline date

08 March 2023 17:00:00 Brussels

time

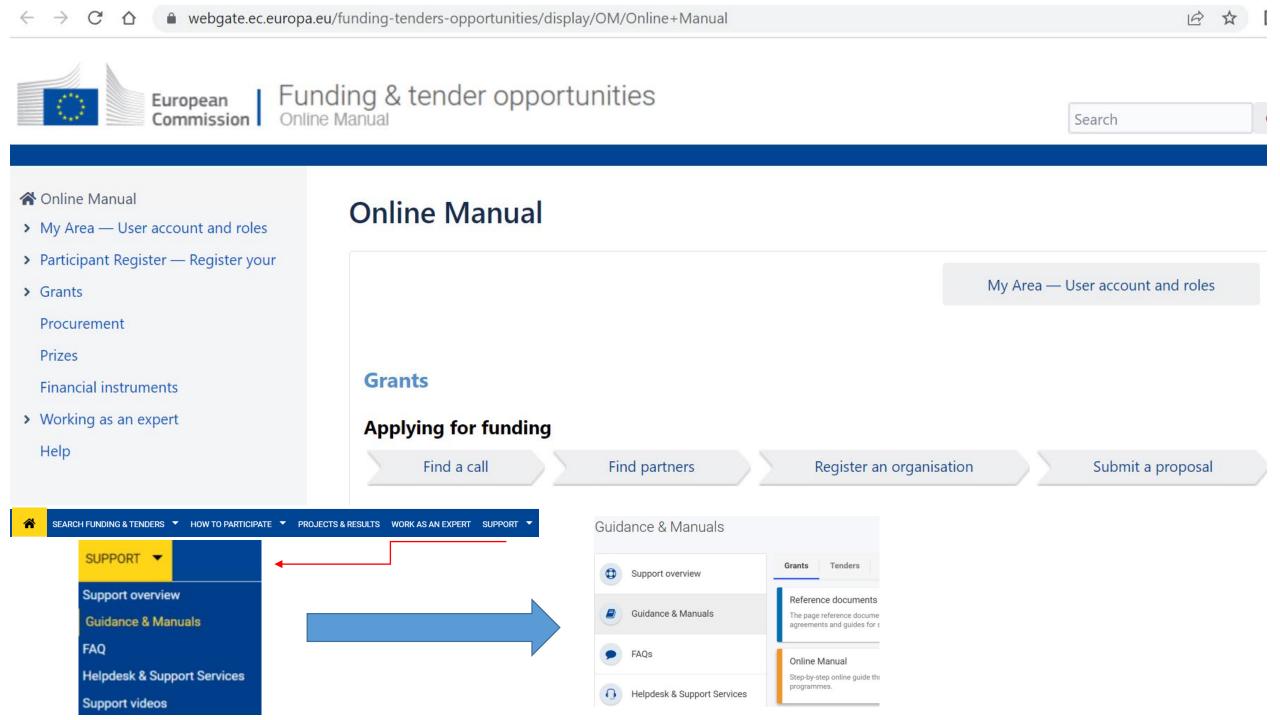
Partner search announcements

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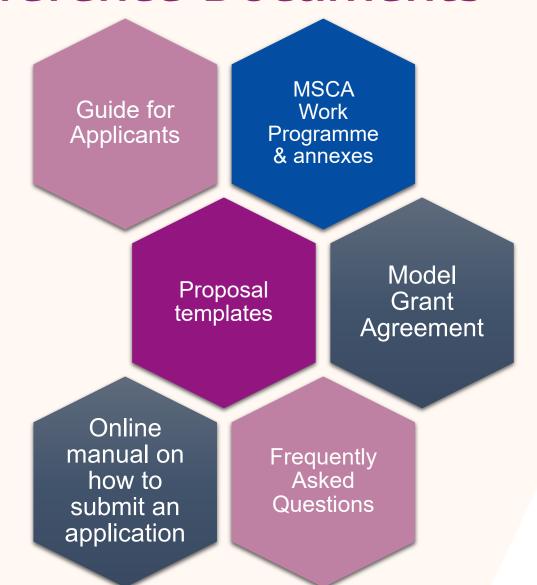
Searches of partners to collaborate on this topic

View / Edit

LEARs, Account Administrators or self-registrants can publish partner requests for open and forthcoming topics after logging into this Portal, as well as any user having an active public Person profile.



### Reference Documents







## Proposal documents



Funding & tender opportunities

Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA)



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### **Apply here!**

#### Part A (structured data)

#### (to be filled online) contains administrative information about the applicant organisations

### Part B1 and B2 (description of action)

(to be downloaded from the Portal) contains the technical description of the project



### **Evaluation criteria**

Excellence	Impact	Quality and efficiency of the implementation
Quality and pertinence of the project's research and innovation objectives (and the extent to which they are ambitious, and go beyond the state of the art)	Developing new and lasting <b>research collaborations</b> , achieving <b>transfer of knowledge</b> between participating organisations and contributing to improving <b>research and innovation potential</b> at the European and global level	Quality and effectiveness of the work plan, assessment of risks, and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages
Soundness of the proposed methodology (including interdisciplinary approaches, consideration of the gender dimension and other diversity aspects if relevant for the research project, and the quality and appropriateness of open science practices)	Credibility of the measures to enhance the <b>career perspectives</b> of staff members and contribution to their <b>skills development</b>	Quality, capacity and role of each participant, including hosting arrangements and extent to which the consortium as a whole brings together the necessary expertise
Quality of the proposed interaction between the participating organisations in light of the research and innovation objectives	expected outcomes and impacts, as set out in the dissemination and exploitation plan, including communication activities  The magnitude and importance of the project's contribution to the expected scientific, societal and	
50%	economic impacts 30%	20%





## Tips and tricks

## Closely follow the call requirements

Be in line with the action's objectives and expected outcomes

#### Get a second opinion

Have your proposal proof-read by a colleague and pre-screened by your NCP

## Follow available guidelines

Use the structure provided in the template and address all the evaluation criteria

### Sustainability of collaboration

Describe the benefits of cooperation and how they can go beyond this project

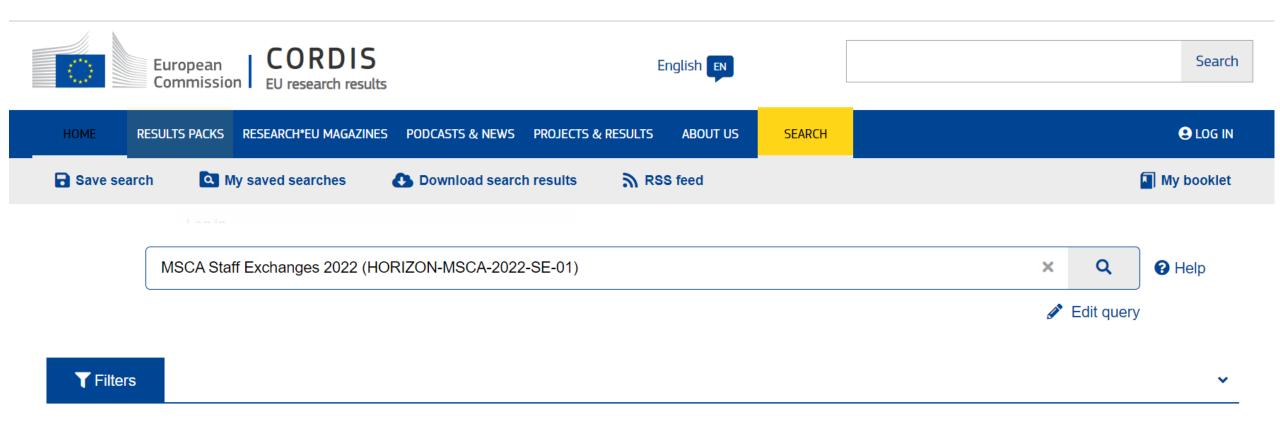
### Highlight the EU dimension

Show that your proposal addresses EU policy priorities and/or societal challenges

Contact your
National Contact Point
(NCP)



### https://cordis.europa.eu/search/en





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Tuesday 23 November 2021 between 7:30 and 8:10 CET:



All documents will be unavailable in the Grants and Audits Management Services, in the Participant Register Services and in "My Expert Area".
 Please refrain from launching any document-related process, since these will not work and will have to be restored by the Service Desk

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

#### Work as an expert

The European Union Institutions appoint external experts to assist in the evaluation of grant applications, projects and tenders, and to provide opinions and advice in specific cases.

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/work-as-an-expert

#### **INFO DAYS**

### Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Staff Exchanges info session

The info session about Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Staff

Exchanges (EN ) ••• of 19 November was designed for **potential applicants**.

It provided guidance on the application process and the consortium composition. It gave details on funding availability.

- Research staff
  - 19 November 2021, 10:30 to 19 November 2021, 12:30

- Event presentations (EN | ••••
- Event schedule (EN | •••
  )
- · Recording of the event

https://webcast.ec.europa.eu/horizon-msca-se-2021-info-session

## Thank you!

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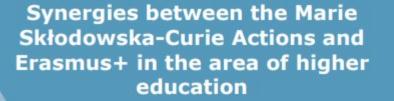
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### How to apply

This page will guide you through the main steps to apply for Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) funding. Here, you will learn

- which is the best type of funding for you to apply for
- · how to apply
- how to find a job (for individuals)
- where to find more information and guidance

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