Excellent Science: Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

**INDIVIDUAL FELLOWSHIPS**

(Next call: H2020-MSCA-IF-2018; Call opens: 12 April 2018; Deadline: 12 September 2018)

**Objective:**

The goal of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships (IF) is to enhance the creative and innovative potential of experienced researchers, wishing to diversify their individual competence in terms of skill acquisition through advanced training, international and intersectoral mobility.

Individual Fellowships provide opportunities to acquire and transfer new knowledge and to work on research and innovation in Europe and beyond.

The scheme particularly supports the return and reintegration of European researchers from outside Europe and those who have previously worked here. It also promotes career restart of individual researchers who show great potential. Applications are made jointly by the researcher and the beneficiary (the host organisation) in the academic or non-academic sectors.

**Scope and panels of significance for Eurac Research:**

- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions IF follow a bottom-up approach, i.e. research fields are chosen freely by the applicants. At Eurac research there are 12 research institutes covering many different research areas (http://www.eurac.edu/en/research/Pages/default.aspx).
- **European Fellowships** are held in EU Member States (MS) or Associated Countries (AC) and are open to researchers coming to Europe or moving within Europe to carry out research projects for the duration of 1-2 years.
- **Return and reintegration of researchers** into a longer term research position in Europe, including in their country of origin, is supported via a separate multi-disciplinary reintegration panel of the European Fellowships.
- Support to individuals to **resume research in Europe after a career break**, e.g. after parental leave or due to recent migration, is ensured via a separate multi-disciplinary career restart panel of the European Fellowships.
- **Global Fellowships** are based on a secondment to a third country (i.e. not a MS or AC) a mandatory 12 month return period to a European host.
Target group: Experienced researchers complying with the mobility rule

- **Experienced researchers**: Researchers in possession of a doctoral degree or with at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience.
- **Mobility rule**: At the time of the deadline for submission of proposals the researcher must not have worked or resided in the country of destination for more than 12 months within the past 3 years.
- **Special mobility rule**: For the Career Restart and the Reintegration Panel only, there is a special mobility rule: researchers shall not have resided in the country of their host for more than 3 years in the 5 years immediately prior to the relevant deadline.

**ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS (AT THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS):**

- For the European Fellowship, the researcher can be of any nationality, but must comply with the mobility rule in the country where the European Fellowship is held.
- To qualify for the Career Restart Panel, researchers can be of any nationality. They must not have been active in research for at least 12 months within 18 months immediately prior to the deadline for submission. This is determined on the basis of fellowship or employment contracts in the domain of research.
- The Reintegration Panel is open to nationals or previous long-term residents of MS and AC. Mobility shall be into Europe.
- For the Global Fellowship, the researcher must comply with the mobility rule in the country where secondment takes place (not for the return phase). Global Fellowships are open to nationals or long-term residents of MS and AC.

**FUNDING**

The contribution of the European Commission will cover the activities of the researcher as well as part of the costs for the implementation of the project.

**Contribution to the researchers (person/month):**
- Living allowance: 4,880 € (country correction coefficient to these figure for Italy amounts 104,4 %)
- Mobility allowance: 600 €
- Family allowance: 500 €

**Contribution to the host institutions (person/month):**
- Research, training and networking costs: 800 €
- Management and indirect costs: 650 €

**Further information available at:**
- http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/