“People” Programme: The Marie Curie Actions in FP7
Why a Marie Curie fellowship?

People programme = Marie Curie Actions
From pure mobility actions to a dedicated programme for structuring training, mobility and career development

Objectives:

- Human resources potential in R&D in Europe
- Stimulate people to enter into the profession of researcher
- Encouraging researchers to stay in Europe
- Attracting researchers from around the world

One main condition to be eligible: Mobility

- Employment contracts with full social rights
- Addressed to researchers at all stages of their careers
- Adequate working conditions and attractive salaries
- Peer-reviewed international evaluation
- European (and international) prestige
FP7 overview (2007-2013)

EU’s main instrument for funding research

Aim: Contribute to the Union becoming the world’s leading research area

Total EC budget: M€ 50 500

FP7 breakdown (€ million)

Collaborative research
10 thematic areas

Cooperation: M€ 32 500

Ideas: M€ 7510

Frontier Research
ERC

Marie Curie Actions

Research Capacity

People: M€ 4750

Capacities: M€ 4100

JRC: M€ 1750

Euratom: M€ 2750

Nuclear research

FP6 (2002-2006)
Marie Curie Actions
€ 1580 million
Community contributions

Fellows’ expenses

- Living allowance*
- Mobility allowance*
- Travel allowance
- Career exploratory allowance

Hosts’ expenses

- Research/training costs
- Coordination & execution training project
- Organisation Conferences/Workshops for external participants
- Overheads and Management

*Correction Coefficients apply
I am finishing my PhD and looking for a post-doctoral position

I have more than 4 years of research experience

Can I apply?

I am a post-doc looking for another post-doc position

Experienced researcher:

PhD holder

OR

> 4 years experience

You have 2 options!
http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/

Welcome to the Marie Curie Actions

Career Opportunities for Researchers
- anytime - anyplace - anywhere

Careers
- Job vacancies
- Publish a job vacancy
- Taking control of your career

Funding
- WHAT are the Marie Curie Actions
- WHICH actions is suited for me
- HOW to apply
- WHEN to apply
- WHERE is my application
- HOW TO manage my project
- WHY? find your answers in the FAQs

Policies
- Euraxess - Researchers in motion
- European policies for researchers
- The European Charter 4 Researchers and the Code of Conduct 4 their Recruitment
Look for the “Experienced researcher” positions.
I can apply myself for a Marie Curie individual fellowship!

Individual-driven actions:
Applicants are individual researchers in liaison with potential supervisor/host institution

5 different Actions:
- Intra-European Fellowships for Career Development (IEF)
- International Outgoing Fellowships for Career Development (IOF)
- International Incoming Fellowships (IIF)
- European Reintegration Grants (ERG)
- International Reintegration Grants (IRG)
Intra-European Fellowships for career development (IEF)

To support the career development of experienced researchers at different stages of their careers

- 12 to 24 months (full-time) period
- Any nationals working/living in MS/AS moving to another MS/AS
- Mobility requirement at the deadline of the call (definition)

International Outgoing Fellowships for career development (IOF)

To reinforce the international dimension of the career of European researchers

- 12-24 months period in a TC plus 12 months of compulsory return phase in MS/AC
- For Nationals of MS/AC

International Incoming Fellowships (IIF)

To reinforce the scientific excellence of MS/AS with incoming to Europe top-class researchers from TC

- 12-24 months period in MS/AC
- Any nationals coming from outside Europe
- Possible return phase to country of origin (12 months)
European Reintegration Grants (ERG)

- **After a Marie Curie fellowship of at least 18 months duration**
- **Financial contribution of 15 000 €/year during 2-3 years**
- **Host institution within MS/AS, including country of origin**
- **Research costs, including salary of researchers or assistants**

International Reintegration Grants (IRG)

- **Researchers returning from third countries to a MS/AC**
- **Financial contribution of 25 000 €/year during 3-4 years**
- **Host institution within MS/AS, including country of origin**
- **Research costs, including salary of researchers or assistants**
### 2007 evaluations

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Marie Curie Actions

What if I am a PI or group leader?

Can I still apply for Marie Curie funding?

Yes, you can!

Host-driven actions:

Submission of proposals is a Principal Investigators, Group leaders, Scientists-in-charge initiative, on behalf of institutions

- Initial training Networks (ITN)
- Industry-academia partnerships and pathways (IAPP)
Initial Training Networks (ITN)

Aims to improve career perspectives of early stage researchers in both public & private sector

Structuring the Initial Training of Researchers at EU level:
- International Networks of Participants
- Mutual recognition of Training/Degrees
- Opening training events to external researchers
- Complementary skills: entrepreneurship, management, IPR, grant writing, communication

Participant rules:
- Generally at least 3 participants: Universities, research centres, companies, SMEs
- Typically located in at least 3 different MS/AC
- Involvement of private sector

Eligible researchers: **Nationals from any country**
- Mainly early-stage researchers
- Experienced researchers
- Visiting scientists (experienced researchers)
Objectives:

- **Foster co-operation** between *non-commercial* research organisations & *commercial* enterprises based on joint research projects.

- **Stimulate long-term collaboration** between sectors through secondment of staff.

- **Diverse career possibilities** & research experience for researchers, knowledge sharing/cultural exchange.

Participant rules:

- At least 1 partner from commercial & 1 partner from non-commercial sector.

- Located in at least 2 different MS/AC.

- Additional partners from any sector and from any other country.
Industry–Academia Partnerships and Pathways (IAPP)

Aims to open and foster dynamic pathways between public research organisations and private commercial enterprises

Eligible researchers:
- **Staff exchange – secondments**: 2 to 24 months
  - Any level of experience, incl. technical & managerial staff
  - Exchange always between sectors (and usually countries)
  - Obligatory return for at least 1 year

- **Recruitment (optional)**: 12 to 24 months
  - Only experienced researchers (post-docs)
  - Mobility requirement

Community contribution:
- Staff secondments and recruitment of experienced researchers (optional)
- Research and networking costs
- Specific small equipment for SMEs: <10% total contribution
### 2007 evaluations

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*tentative
Yes, if you are managing *research fellowships programmes*

**Host-driven actions:**

Applications are done on behalf of *organisations*

- International Research Staff Exchange Scheme (IRSES)
- Co-funding of Regional, National and International Programmes (COFUND)
International Research Staff Exchange Scheme (IRSES)

Aiming at strengthening research partnerships between Europe and the rest of the world

Participant rules:
- At least 2 independent research organisations in two different MS/AC
- One or more organisations in TC*
- Additional partners from any sector and from any other country welcome
- Joint multi-annual programmes of 24-48 months

Eligible researchers:
- Research staff mainly, but also technical and management staff
- Min. 1 month - max. 12 months/researcher
- Seconded staff (not recruited)

Community contribution:
- Balanced exchange of EU/International researchers
- Subsistence/travel allowance for outgoing European researchers € 1800/month per researcher
- Case by case: subsistence/travel allowance incoming ICPC/ENP

* TC: countries with a S&T agreement or within the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP)
Co-funding of Regional, National and International Programmes (COFUND)

Aims at increasing the European-wide mobility possibilities for training and career development of experienced researchers

Participant rules: *Organisations* funding/managing a fellowship programme

- Official public bodies (ministries, academies, councils, agencies, ...)
- Other public/private bodies (large research organisations, charities, ...)
- Bodies at international level, running such schemes at European level
- *Programmes implemented in an independent manner*

Eligible researchers:

- *Experienced researchers*
- *Minimal conditions*: trans-nationality (3 types: Outgoing/Incoming/Re-integration); independent and international evaluation of proposals; minimal social coverage

Community contribution:

- 40% of the fellowship costs for eligible researchers
  - maximum 5 M€ per participant
### 2007/2008 evaluations

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What must I know before applying?

Main characteristics

- Open to all domains of research (bottom-up approach)
- Application through calls for proposals
- Selection criteria:
  - S&T quality
  - Training/Transfer of Knowledge
  - Quality of researcher
  - Impact
  - Implementation
Proposal preparation, evaluation and selection

Part A: Administrative information: forms completed online

Part B: Details of the proposed research project (pdf uploaded)

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Eligibility check: Submission deadline, minimum requirements, complete proposal

Selection process: 3 independent experts (peer-review)
So, how should I apply directly for funding to the EC?

### Find a Call

**People**

- **Open Calls:**
  - **PEOPLE** / 5 Open calls

### E-mail Notification

Use CORDIS e-mail notification service to be notified by e-mail each time a call relevant to your area of expertise is published.

### People

#### Calls for proposals

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PEOPLE Calls: FP7-PEOPLE-IAPP-2008

Information Package | Electronic Proposal Submission Service (EPSS)
Additional Documents | Get Support | Build Your Consortium

FP7-PEOPLE-IAPP-2008

**Identifier:** FP7-PEOPLE-IAPP-2008

**Publication Date:** 30 November 2007

**Budget:** € 45 000 000

**Deadline:** 25 March 2008 at 17:00:00 (Brussels local time)

**OJ Reference:** OJ C288 of 30 November 2007

**Specific Programme:** People

**Theme:** PEOPLE

- **Information Package** Key documents required for the preparation of your proposal.
- **Electronic Proposal Submission Service (EPSS)** Instructions on the submission of your proposal through the EPSS
- **Additional Documents** Useful documents on the call and on FP7 in general.
**Information Package**

Key documents required for the preparation of your proposal.

In order to receive a complete Information Package for this call, you will need to select the following elements:

1. The call fiche (only available in .pdf format)
2. The work programme (.pdf format)
3. FP7 factsheets in your preferred language - an overview of the basic features of this programme (.pdf format)
4. The Guides for Applicants relevant to the funding schemes used in this call (.pdf format)

All files have been treated uniformly and compressed to facilitate the access to the individual documents and to optimise the speed of transfer. To access the files, you will need a file compression utility capable of opening the '.zip' format.

Select the documents you wish to download:

- Call Fiche
- Work Programme
- Guide for Applicants (Industry-Academia - IAPP)
- FP7 factsheets

Documents can be downloaded or sent to you by email.

Download | E-mail
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Information Package

Electronic Proposal Submission Service (EPSS)

Instructions on the submission of your proposal through the EPSS.

Please select the funding scheme, or sub-funding scheme, corresponding to the work programme topic you are addressing, from the list below. You will then be linked to the correct EPSS entry point.

Industry-Academia Partnerships and Pathways (IAPP)

Additional Documents

Useful documents on the call and on FP7 in general.

Get Support

- View and print relevant National Contact Points.
- To ensure compliance with ethical issues, further information is available on http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/ethics_en.html

Build Your Consortium

- View potential partners for this activity area.
Seventh Research Framework Programme (FP7)

Network of National Contact Points (NCPs) in Member States and Associated States

The NCP network is the main provider of advice and individual assistance in all Member States and Associated States. By using this service you can easily find the contact details of the designated National Contact Points for your country. Since NCPs are appointed for each of the areas of FP7, when seeking support you should contact the NCP relevant to your area of interest.

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Mapping between these fields and FP7 activity areas covered

Free text:
Marie Curie Actions

Which scheme fits for me?

 Applicants

Experienced Researcher
Post-docs

PI, group leaders on behalf of Industry/Res. Institutions

Science managers on behalf of research funding bodies

Euraxess website: http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess


IEF, OIF, IIF, ERG, IRG

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COFUND, IRSES
Thank you for your attention

Marie Curie website:  http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions

Helpdesk:  
http://ec.europa.eu/research/enquiries/

Register as an expert:  
http://cordis.europa.eu/emmfp7/index.cfm
Working conditions of researchers
Transparency of recruitment processes
Career development

As a Marie Curie fellow:
You should know your rights and duties
Salary, allowances, reporting obligations
Read the contract signed between the host and the European Commission