

MARIE CURIE: Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE)

- **Closing date** 24 April 2014 at 17.00 Brussels time
- **Information on the outcome of the evaluation** September 2014
- **Indicative date for the signing of grant agreements** November 2014
- **Purpose** – promote international and inter-sector collaboration through research and innovation staff exchanges, and sharing of knowledge and ideas from research to market (and vice-versa) for the advancement of science and the development of innovation.
- **Main conditions: at least three independent organisations**
 - two organisations are located in two different MS/AC¹ and one organisation is located in a TC², independently from the sector they belong to,
 - if all three independent organisations are from MS/AC, at least one organisation should be from the academic sector and one from the non-academic sector.

Eligible organisations

- academic sector:
 - Public or private higher education establishments awarding academic degrees
 - Public or private non-profit research organisations whose primary mission is to pursue research
- International European Interest Organisations - an international organisation, the majority of whose members are MS or AC, and whose principal objective is to promote scientific and technological cooperation in Europe.
- All other organisations are by default non-academic

Eligible researchers

- Early-Stage Researchers (ESR) shall, at the time of secondment by the host organisation, be in the first four years (full-time equivalent research experience) of their research careers and not yet have been awarded a doctoral degree.
- Experienced Researchers (ER) shall, at the time of the secondment by the host organisation, be in possession of a doctoral degree or have at least four years of fulltime equivalent research experience.
- Administrative, managerial and technical staff supporting the research and innovation activities of the project.

The seconded staff shall have been actively engaged in or linked to research and/or innovation activities at the sending institution for at least six months (full-time equivalent) prior to the first period of secondment

¹ MS = Member state, AC = Associated country

² TC = Third country

Participants

- Beneficiaries -signatories to the Grant Agreement. They provide secondment opportunities and ensure transfer of knowledge. Beneficiaries take complete responsibility for executing the proposed project and other requirements of the Grant Agreement,
- Partner organisations contribute directly to the implementation of the research programme by supervising, sending/hosting and training staff members. They provide secondment opportunities as well as ensure transfer of knowledge. Partner organisations are located in TC and are not signatories to the Grant Agreement
- International European Interest Organisations (IEIO) or the Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) will be counted as an academic organisation located in the EU (and counted as a different country location).

The application contains:

- A description of the profile of the persons who will be primarily responsible for carrying out the proposed work
- A description of any significant infrastructure or any major items of technical equipment, relevant to the proposed work
- A description of any partner organisations that are not represented as beneficiaries, but who will nonetheless be contributing towards the work.

Proposal page limits and layout: The maximum length of the proposal is 30 pages, excluding the annexes. Experts will be instructed to disregard any excess pages

Financial contribution

The financial support is composed of a staff member unit cost of 2,000 EUR per month, plus an institutional unit cost of 2,500 EUR per secondment month.

Evaluation criteria

- **Excellence:** Quality, innovative aspects and credibility of the research, clarity and quality of knowledge sharing, quality of the interaction between the participating organisations
- **Impact:** Enhancing research - and innovation-related human resources, skills and working conditions to realise the potential of individuals and to provide new career perspectives
- **Impact:** To develop new and lasting research collaborations, to achieve transfer of knowledge between research Institutions
- **Implementation** Overall coherence and effectiveness of the work plan, Appropriateness of the management structures and procedures
Appropriateness of the institutional environment

Complete evaluation criteria can be found in the Guide for applicants, page 17
http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/doc/call/h2020/h2020-msca-rise-2014/1590107-m_gfa_msca_rise_en.pdf

- **More info:**

Link to the Call where the Guide for applicants can be downloaded:

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/calls/h2020-msca-rise-2014.html#tab2>

Other opened calls of the Horizon 2020 programme

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/opportunities/h2020/index.html>

List of countries and rules for financing, page 3:

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/doc/call/h2020/common/1587809-18_general_annexes_wp2014-2015_en.pdf