

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA): esperienze a confronto

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Agenda

14:00 – 16:30 **Workshop dedicato alla iniziativa MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships (PF):
strategie di scrittura di una proposta progettuale** Angelo D'Agostino, APRE

MSCA POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS :

- Obiettivo
- Chi è eleggibile
- Struttura delle Fellowships

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Main Objective



To enhance the creative and innovative potential of researchers **holding a PhD**, wishing to acquire new skills through advanced training, international, interdisciplinary and inter-sectoral mobility.

Key messages



- an original and personalised research project
- to foster excellence through training and mobility
- to equip researchers with new skills and competences in order to identify solutions to current and future challenges
- Postdoctoral researchers are encouraged to engage with society at large to make the results of their research visible to citizens and to involve citizens, civil society and end-users in co-creation of research content when relevant.



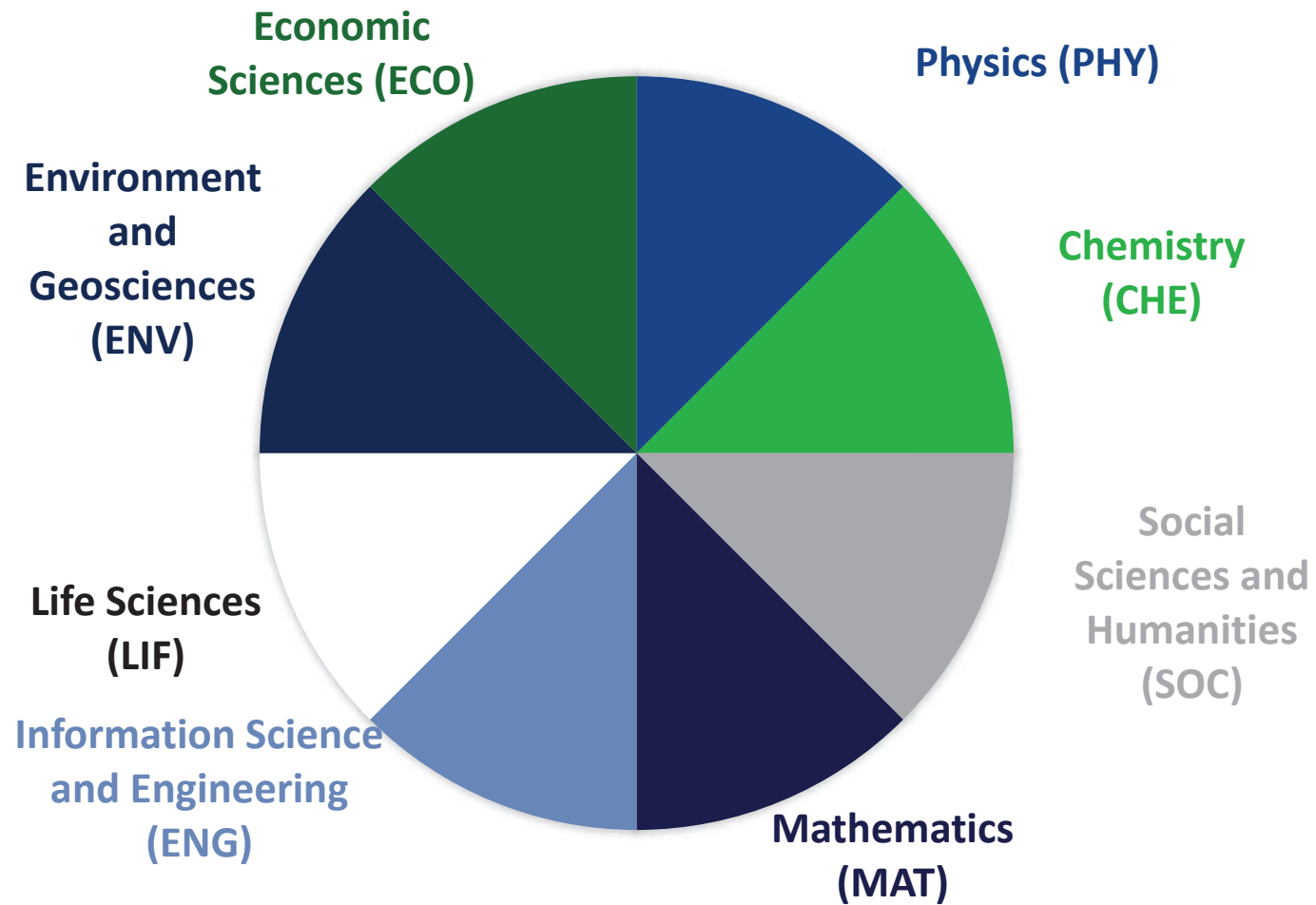
Mobility



Physical mobility: researchers who receive funding have to move from one country to another to acquire new knowledge, skills and competences, and develop their research career.



Bottom-up





Who is eligible?

▣ Postdoctoral researchers

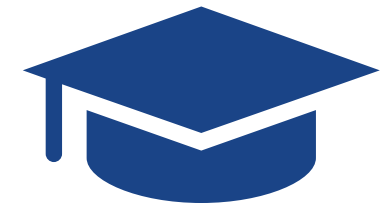
▣ Mobility rule

▣ Supported researchers can be of any nationality

- Global Postdoctoral Fellowship: nationals or long-term residents of EU Member States or Horizon Europe Associated Countries

▣ Supported researchers must have a **maximum of 8 years full-time equivalent experience in research**

- Years **outside research and career breaks** will not be counted





Maternity & Paternity



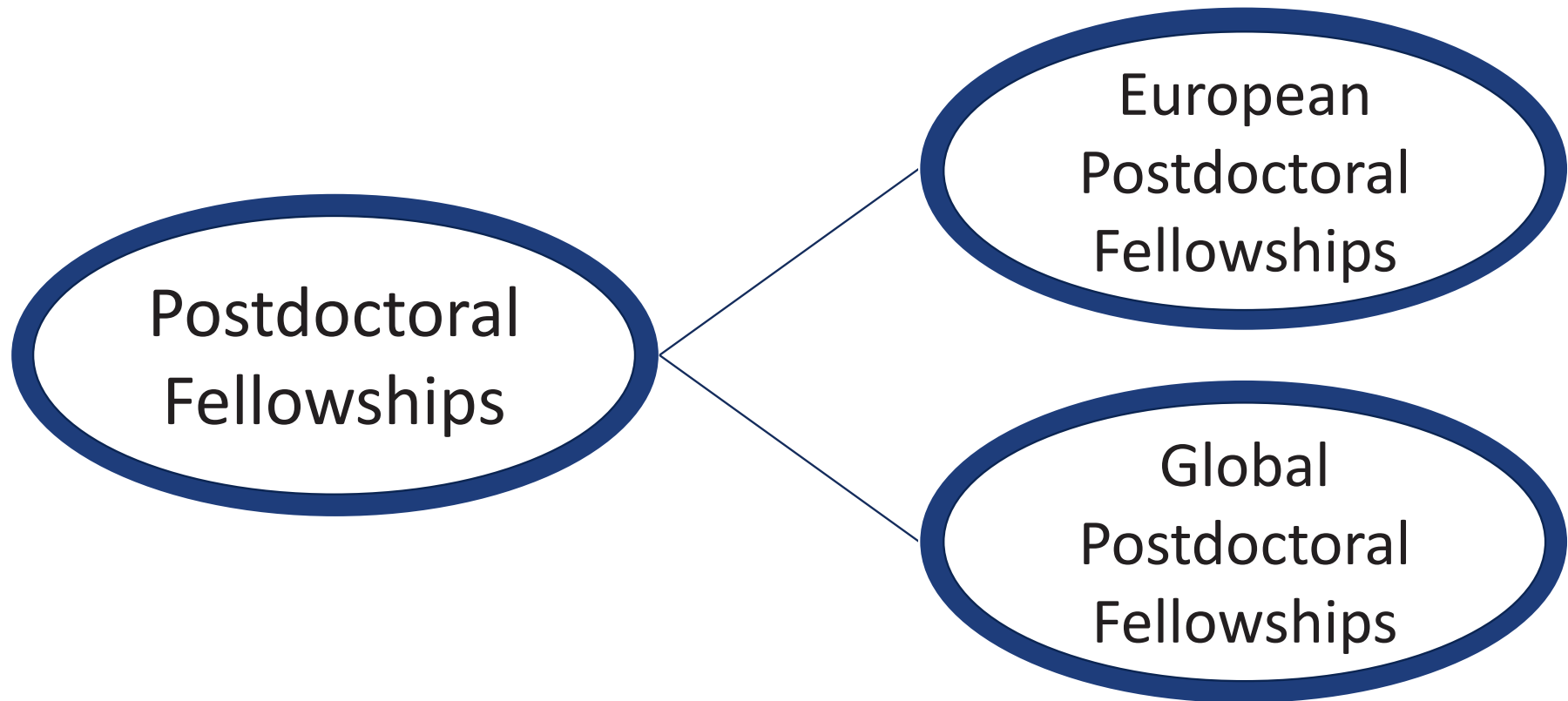
Maternity: for each child born prior to the call deadline, 18 months will be deducted from the experience in research unless the applicant can document a longer parental leave prior to the call deadline.

Paternity: for each child born prior to the call deadline, the documented time of parental leave taken until the call deadline will be deducted from the experience in research.

Mobility rule



Recruited researchers must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in the country of the beneficiary (for European Postdoctoral Fellowships), or the host organisation for the outgoing phase (for Global Postdoctoral Fellowships) for more than 12 months in the 36 months immediately before the call deadline.



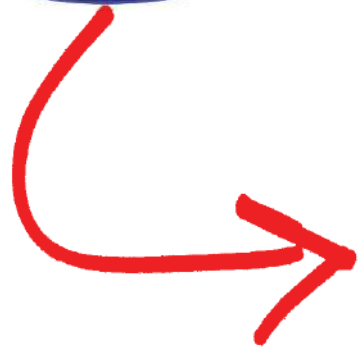


European Postdoctoral Fellowships



any nationality

from any country

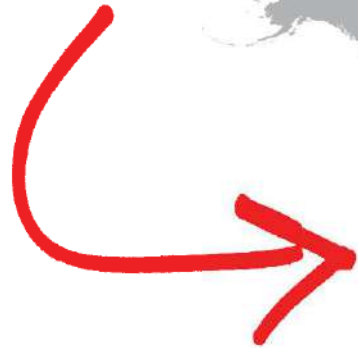


12/24 months

Global Postdoctoral Fellowships



European nationals or long-term residents



12/24 months

12 months



International cooperation

European Commission | Funding & tender opportunities | Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA)

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SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS | **HOW TO PARTICIPATE** | PROJECTS & RESULTS | WORK AS AN EXPERT | SUPPORT | Get started

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Programming period: 2021-2027 | Horizon Europe (HORIZON) | Clear filter

Reference Documents

Grants

This page includes reference documents of the programmes managed on the EU Funding & Tenders portal starting with legal documents and the Commission work programmes up to model grant agreements and guides for specific actions.

Please select the programme to see the reference documents.

Procurement

Reference Documents related to tendering opportunities are published on TED eTendering in the calls for tenders.

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/common/guidance/list-3rd-country-participation_horizon- Euratom_en.pdf

Secondments

in Europe and beyond

European Postdoctoral Fellowships



fellowship duration

Global Postdoctoral Fellowships



of the outgoing phase



A maximum of *three months* of such secondments can be spent at the start of the project at the beneficiary (or associated partners linked to the beneficiary), allowing the researcher to spend time there before going to the associated partner in the Third Country. This period of maximum three months will be considered as part of the outgoing phase.



Placements in the non-academic sector



PLACEMENT

associated partners

Training activities



The training activities implemented under the Postdoctoral Fellowships must include training for key **transferable skills**, foster innovation and entrepreneurship, (e.g. commercialisation of results, Intellectual Property Rights, communication, public engagement and citizen science) and promote Open Science practices (open access to publications and to research data, FAIR data management, etc.).

Seal of Excellence





Funding opportunities under Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

List of national and regional support programmes for Seal of Excellence holders under Marie-Skłodowska-Curie Actions

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What you can find on this page

The list below provides regularly updated information we receive about available support at national/regional level for MSCA proposals with a Seal of Excellence.

A number of other countries have suggested that recipients may wish to contact the National Contact Point in your host country to check if there are funding possibilities available.

https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/funding/funding-opportunities/seal-excellence/funding-opportunities-under-msca_en



Resubmission

Proposals involving the same recruiting organisation (and for Global Postdoctoral Fellowships also the associated partner) and individual researcher



should not be resubmitted the following year



FAQs on resubmission

- 🔗 <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/support/faq/19933>
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The screenshot shows the European Commission's 'Funding & tender opportunities' portal. The main heading is 'MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2023' with the topic ID 'HORIZON-MSCA-2023-PF-01-01'. A left sidebar contains a list of links: 'Grant', 'General information', 'Topic description', 'Destination', 'Conditions and documents', 'Partner search announcements', 'Submission service', 'Topic related FAQ' (highlighted with a red box), 'User support', and 'Call updates'. The main content area displays 'General information' for the 'Horizon Europe Framework Programme (HORIZON)' under the call 'MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2023 (HORIZON-MSCA-2023-PF-01)'. It lists two types of actions: 'HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-EF HORIZON TMA MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships - European Fellowships' and 'HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF HORIZON TMA MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships - Global Fellowships', both associated with the 'HORIZON Unit Grant [HORIZON-AG-UN]' type of MGA. Buttons for 'See budget overview' and 'Open for submission' are visible.

Award criteria

Excellence	Impact	Quality and efficiency of the implementation
50%	30%	20%
Weighting		



±

70%

considered for funding

Evaluation panels

In Postdoctoral Fellowships, proposals will be evaluated by one of **eight 'main evaluation panels'**:

- ❏ Chemistry (CHE),
- ❏ Social Sciences and Humanities (SOC),
- ❏ Economic Sciences (ECO),
- ❏ Information Science and Engineering (ENG),
- ❏ Environment and Geosciences (ENV),
- ❏ Life Sciences (LIF),
- ❏ Mathematics (MAT),
- ❏ Physics (PHY).



Each panel will establish two ranked lists, one for European and one for Global Postdoctoral fellowships.

Distribution of budget



- ✧ European and Global Postdoctoral Fellowships
- ✧ The distribution of respective available funds will be proportional to the number of eligible proposals received in each main evaluation panel.

Budget Overview

Topic	Budget (EUR) - Year : 2023
HORIZON-MSCA-2023-PF-01-01 - HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF HORIZON TMA MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships - Global Fellowships	39 071 000
HORIZON-MSCA-2023-PF-01-01 - HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-EF HORIZON TMA MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships - European Fellowships	221 400 000



MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships	Contributions for the recruited researcher						Institutional contributions per person-month	unit
	Living allowance	Mobility allowance	Family allowance (if applicable)	Long- term leave allowance (if applicable)	Special needs allowance (if applicable)			
	EUR 5 080	EUR 600	EUR 660	EUR 5 680 x covered by the beneficiary	requested unit ⁵³ x (1/number of months)		EUR 1 000	EUR 650



Opening & Deadline(s)

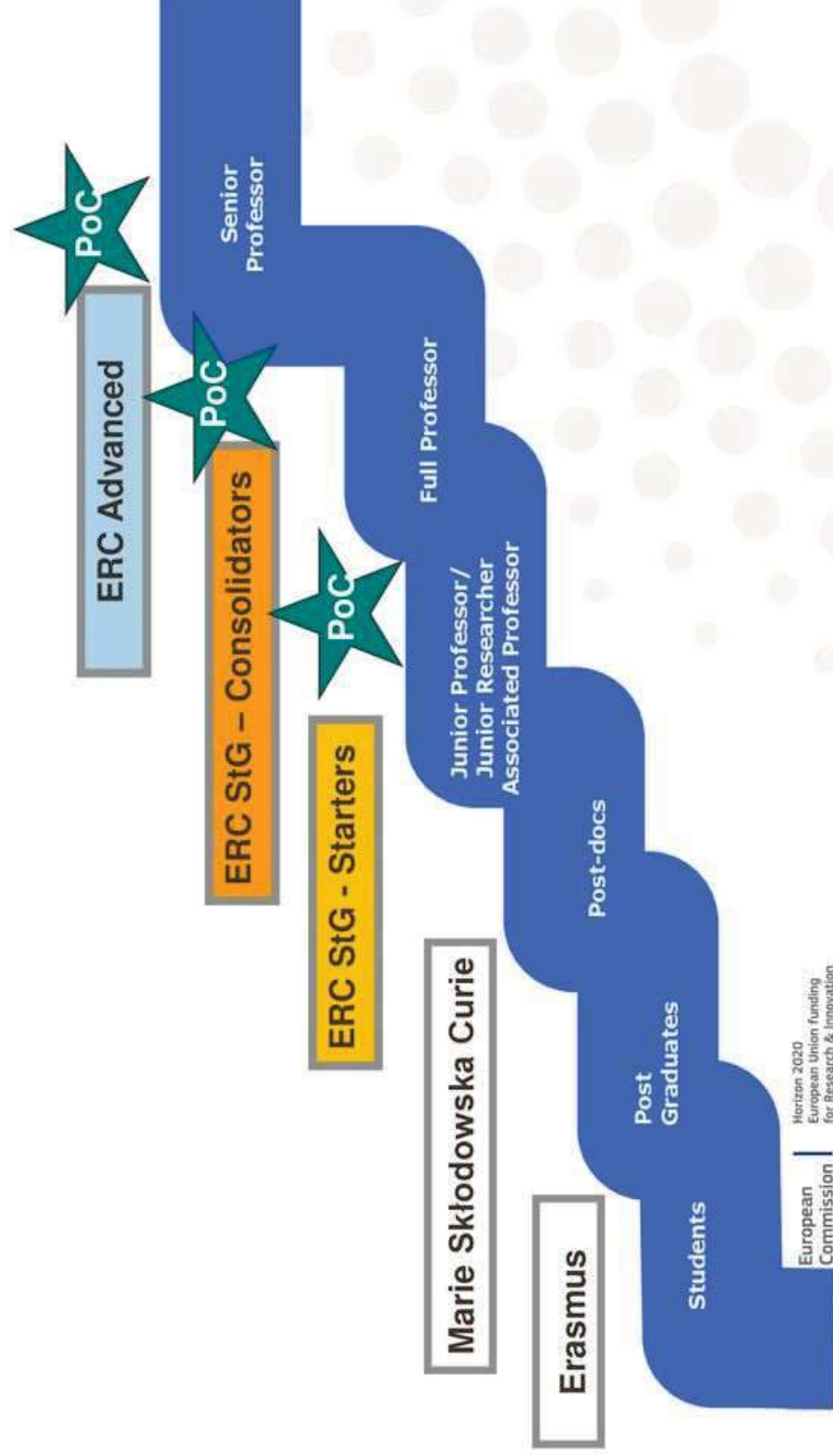


	Opening	Deadline
HORIZON-MSCA-PF-2023 MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2023	12 Apr 2023	13 Sep 2023
HORIZON-MSCA-PF-2024 MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2024	10 Apr 2024	11 Sep 2024

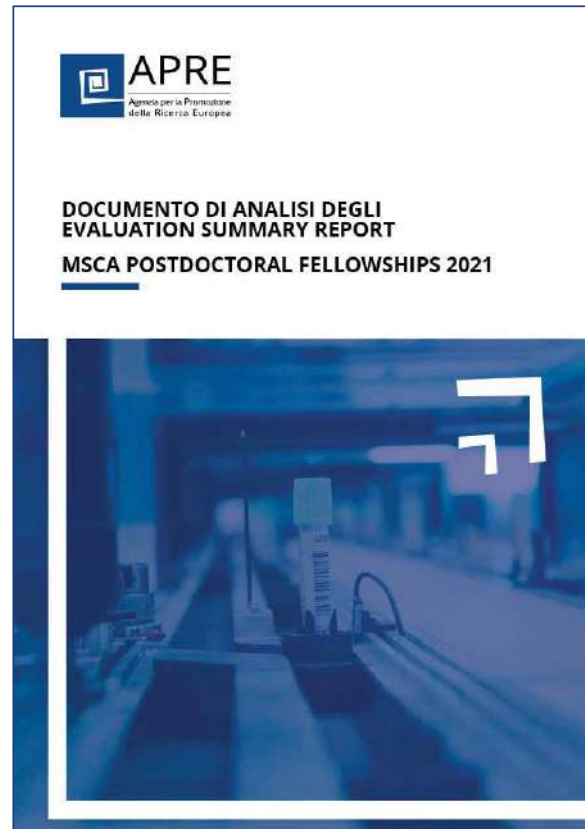
Researchers career development and complementary funding schemes



European Research Council
Established by the European Commission



Analyses of ESRs



STRENGTHS FROM THE EVALUATION SUMMARY REPORTS

1. The proposal lists several fields for the training at the host institution along with the format of the training. The effectiveness of the training activities is very well demonstrated.
2. Training is of good quality consisting of scientific tutoring organized by the supervisors and training in soft skills by the university career development office.
3. The transferable skill training is very well documented and planned for the researcher. It will cover project management, leadership, scientific writing, oral communication teaching and even bio-safety.
4. The supervisor is a leading scholar in the research field and has a solid track record of publications and grant applications. The numerous international collaborations of the supervisor will allow the researcher to expand their international networking.
5. The two-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host is thoroughly identified and explained. The means by which it would happen are very well specified and are highly credible. The training received during the planned short visit can benefit both the researcher and the host.

WEAKNESSES FROM THE EVALUATION SUMMARY REPORTS

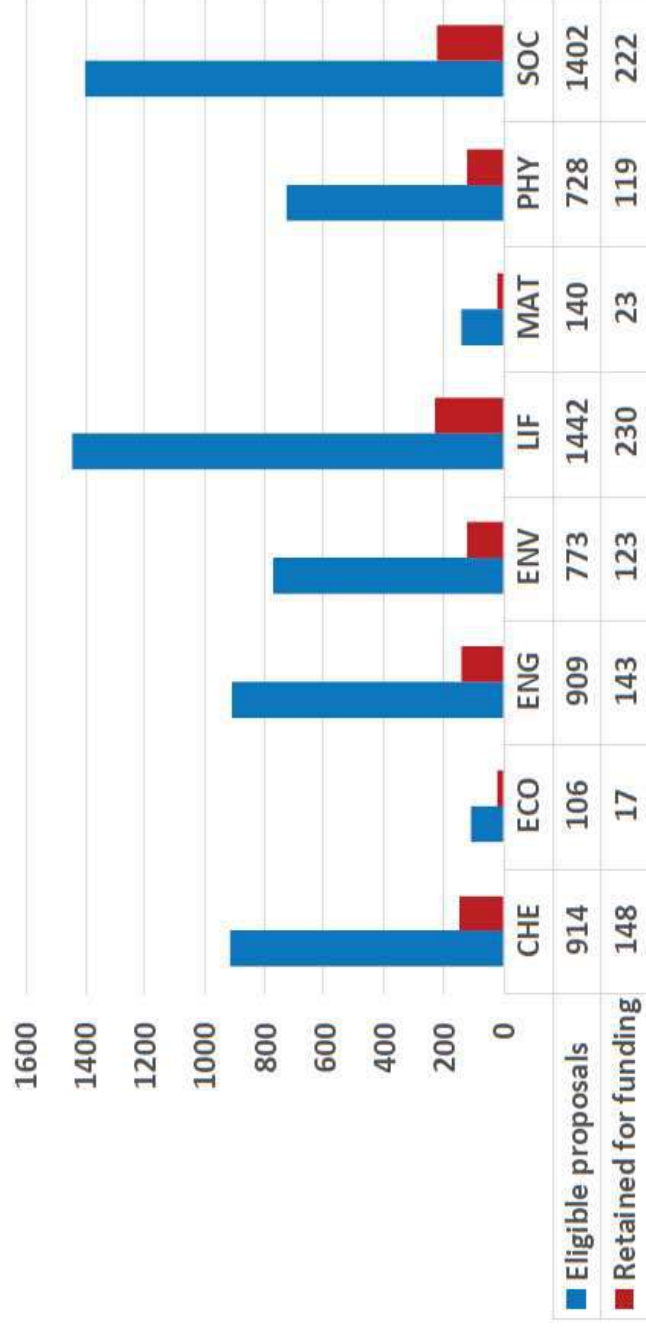
1. The training activities cover most aspects of scientific, technical and management development, but are not outlined in concrete terms, e.g. the number and frequency of seminars or workshop participation.
2. Training skills to be acquired by the researcher are not convincingly described. The transfer of scientific knowledge to be acquired by the researcher in the return phase is not sufficiently detailed nor is the transfer of knowledge from the researcher to the hosts.
3. The proposal does not demonstrate sufficiently that the supervisors at the outgoing host have sufficient supervision experience.
4. The host supervisor's experience in research supervision and the frequency and modality of supervision are not sufficiently detailed.
5. The two-way transfer of knowledge is not described with sufficient details: the training activities are general and vague. Although the researcher has competences related to the project, it is not clearly explained how they will be transferred to the host and how different are they, when comparing to those already existing in the host institution.

PF 2021 call

Proposals retained for funding - EF

Action	Eligible proposals	Main list
PF-EF	7439	1025
Grand total	8247	1156

Panel	Success rate EF
CHE	13,94%
ECO	13,82%
ENG	13,59%
ENV	13,73%
LIF	13,76%
MAT	14,11%
PHY	14,05%
SOC	13,67%
Grand Total	13,78%

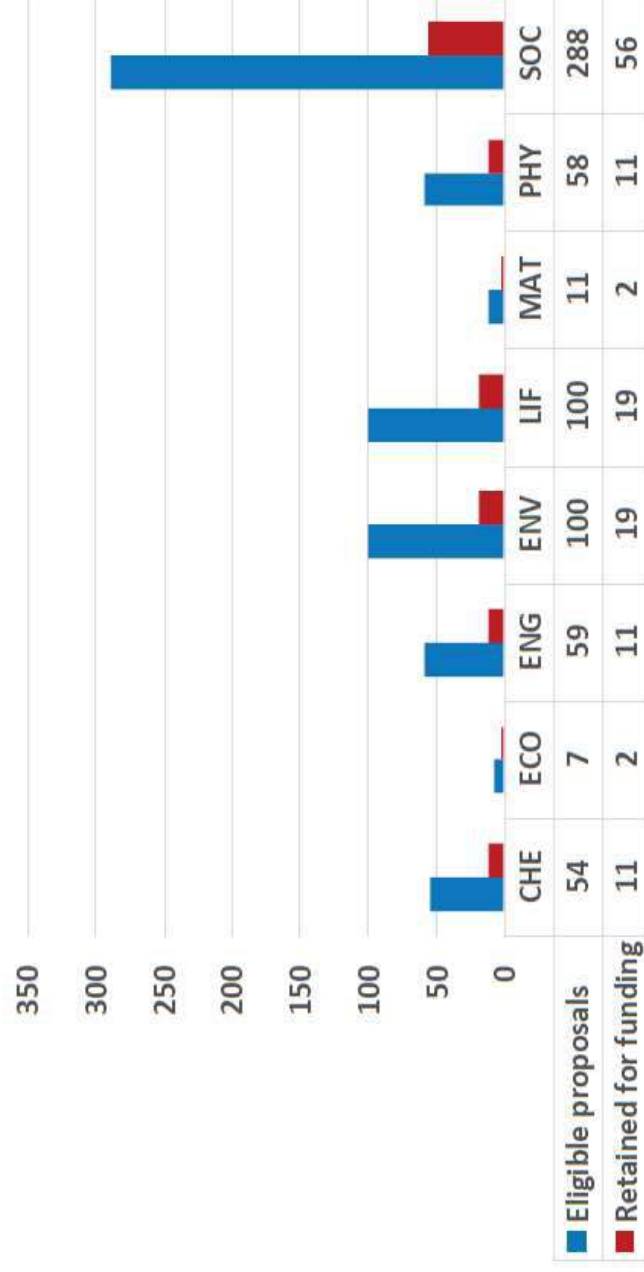


PF 2021 call

Proposals retained for funding - GF

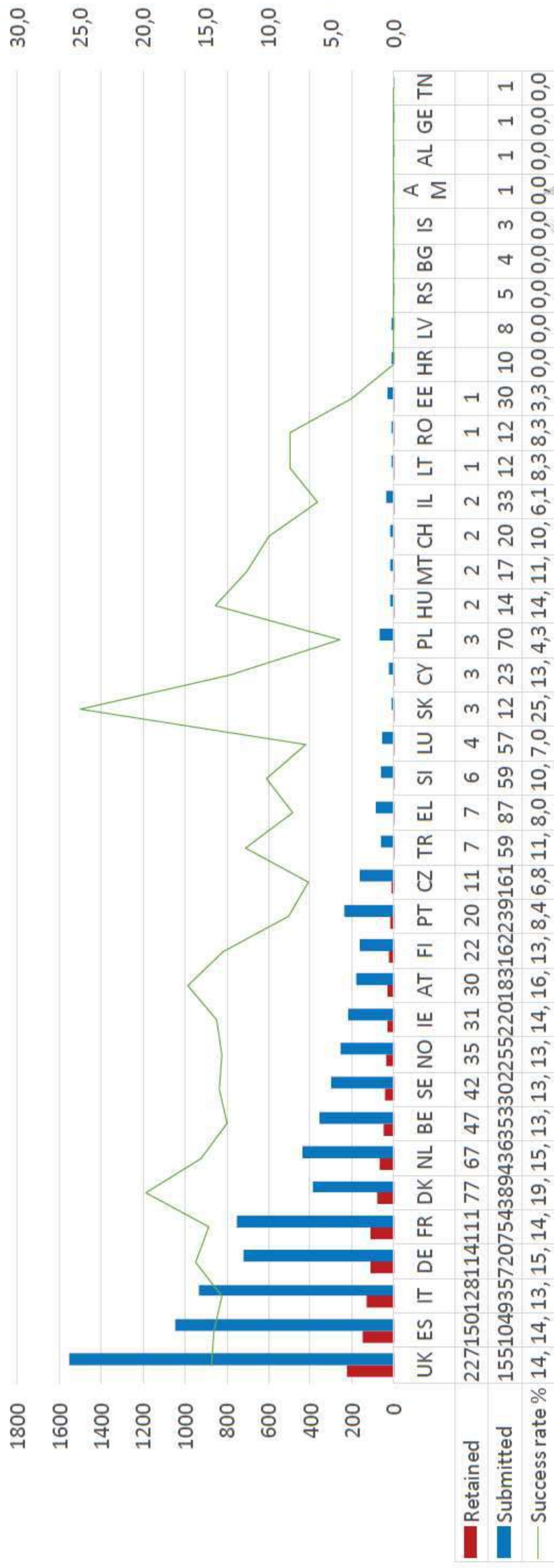
Action	Eligible proposals	Main list
PF-GF	808	131
Grand total	8247	1156

Panel	Success rate GF
CHE	16,92%
ECO	22,22%
ENG	15,71%
ENV	15,97%
LIF	15,97%
MAT	15,38%
PHY	15,94%
SOC	16,28%
Grand Total	16,21%



PF 2021 call

Submitted vs retained for funding proposals per country



PF 2021 call

Success rate by researchers' scientific age

Based on all proposals (i.e. before eligibility checks) for main list projects



*Successful proposals with 'no PhD at call deadline' concern researchers who had successfully defended their thesis but not yet been awarded their degree at the call deadline



MSCA-PF-2021: Cumulative percentage of proposals above threshold, with a given score or higher (funding range marked in green)

Number of eligible proposals	1062 proposals	123 proposals	1052 proposals	886 proposals	1672 proposals	163 proposals	847 proposals	1624 proposals	65 proposals	9 proposals	70 proposals	119 proposals	119 proposals	13 proposals	69 proposals	344 proposals
Cut off score for funding*	92.8	92.0	92.8	93.6	94.4	92.4	92.2	93.6	92.0	83.8	95.0	95.8	95.8	92.0	94.2	92.8
Score equal to or above	EF-CHE	EF-ECO	EF-ENG	EF-ENV	EF-LIF	EF-MAT	EF-PHY	EF-SOC	GF-CHE	GF-ECO	GF-ENG	GF-ENV	GF-LIF	GF-MAT	GF-PHY	GF-SOC
100	0.38%	0.00%	1.05%	0.56%	0.66%	1.84%	0.12%	0.92%	1.54%	0.00%	1.43%	0.84%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.53%
99	1.41%	0.00%	1.43%	1.34%	1.60%	3.69%	0.71%	1.91%	1.54%	0.00%	2.86%	3.35%	2.52%	0.00%	1.45%	2.03%
98	3.39%	0.81%	3.23%	3.01%	3.95%	4.29%	2.01%	3.88%	1.54%	0.00%	8.57%	7.56%	7.69%	7.69%	1.45%	4.36%
97	5.08%	3.25%	4.75%	5.47%	6.22%	7.36%	2.72%	5.79%	3.08%	0.00%	10.00%	9.24%	10.08%	7.69%	2.90%	6.40%
96	7.53%	6.50%	6.75%	7.25%	9.15%	8.59%	4.13%	8.25%	6.15%	0.00%	14.29%	14.29%	15.13%	7.69%	2.90%	9.30%
95	9.23%	6.50%	9.32%	9.82%	11.96%	9.20%	6.73%	10.65%	7.15%	0.00%	15.71%	21.85%	18.49%	7.69%	7.25%	11.34%
94	11.02%	8.13%	11.60%	12.61%	15.31%	9.82%	9.21%	12.87%	7.69%	0.00%	18.57%	25.21%	21.85%	7.69%	17.39%	13.95%
93	13.65%	10.57%	13.50%	16.07%	19.08%	12.88%	11.92%	15.83%	13.82%	0.00%	24.29%	27.73%	26.89%	7.69%	23.19%	15.99%
92	16.10%	15.46%	15.68%	19.98%	22.13%	15.34%	14.76%	18.90%	16.92%	11.11%	30.00%	31.93%	31.09%	15.38%	27.54%	17.44%
91	18.83%	16.26%	18.54%	23.44%	24.58%	17.79%	18.05%	21.80%	24.62%	11.11%	32.86%	33.61%	32.77%	15.38%	36.23%	21.22%
90	20.90%	16.26%	20.44%	27.34%	27.63%	22.70%	21.61%	23.95%	30.77%	11.11%	37.14%	36.13%	35.29%	15.38%	43.48%	22.67%
89	23.73%	17.89%	22.43%	29.91%	31.04%	28.22%	25.62%	26.29%	33.89%	11.11%	38.57%	39.50%	38.50%	15.38%	46.38%	25.87%
88	26.18%	18.70%	24.81%	32.48%	33.79%	29.45%	29.16%	28.45%	36.92%	11.11%	40.00%	42.86%	43.70%	23.08%	50.72%	29.07%
87	28.15%	23.58%	27.47%	35.94%	36.76%	32.52%	32.35%	30.85%	38.46%	11.11%	41.43%	46.22%	44.54%	30.77%	50.72%	31.10%
86	31.73%	25.20%	30.42%	39.17%	39.29%	36.20%	34.12%	32.82%	40.00%	11.11%	45.71%	51.26%	45.98%	38.46%	52.17%	32.56%
85	34.46%	27.64%	32.70%	41.52%	41.93%	38.65%	38.72%	34.85%	44.62%	11.11%	48.57%	53.78%	47.90%	53.85%	60.87%	35.76%
84	37.29%	31.71%	34.89%	44.08%	45.16%	42.94%	42.15%	37.32%	50.77%	11.11%	51.43%	57.98%	49.58%	53.85%	62.32%	37.21%
83	40.30%	33.33%	36.88%	46.76%	47.73%	45.40%	45.57%	39.66%	52.31%	22.22%	55.71%	60.30%	52.94%	53.85%	66.67%	40.12%
82	44.16%	36.59%	39.26%	49.58%	50.30%	47.85%	49.23%	42.36%	56.92%	22.22%	57.14%	64.11%	54.62%	61.54%	66.67%	43.60%
81	46.89%	39.84%	42.21%	53.46%	53.23%	53.99%	52.54%	45.38%	60.00%	22.22%	57.14%	66.39%	62.18%	61.54%	68.12%	46.80%
80	49.62%	44.72%	43.82%	56.81%	55.68%	55.21%	55.73%	47.17%	60.00%	33.33%	58.57%	68.91%	68.07%	61.54%	72.46%	49.13%
79	52.92%	47.15%	47.15%	58.26%	58.37%	59.51%	58.80%	49.88%	60.00%	44.44%	62.86%	70.59%	69.75%	61.54%	73.91%	50.87%
78	56.03%	49.59%	48.95%	60.83%	61.18%	61.96%	61.39%	52.22%	60.00%	55.56%	64.29%	73.11%	70.59%	76.92%	75.36%	53.20%
77	59.23%	52.03%	50.86%	62.72%	64.35%	66.26%	64.58%	54.68%	63.08%	55.56%	67.14%	77.31%	73.96%	76.92%	79.71%	55.52%
76	62.24%	54.47%	52.95%	64.73%	67.17%	67.48%	66.71%	56.65%	64.62%	55.56%	71.43%	79.33%	75.63%	76.92%	81.16%	57.56%
75	63.75%	56.10%	55.13%	66.74%	69.20%	71.78%	68.71%	59.11%	64.62%	55.56%	72.86%	80.67%	76.47%	84.62%	82.61%	59.59%
74	65.82%	59.35%	57.32%	67.86%	70.93%	73.01%	70.95%	60.78%	69.23%	55.56%	74.29%	82.35%	77.31%	84.62%	82.61%	61.34%
73	67.80%	61.70%	59.41%	69.08%	72.19%	74.23%	73.67%	62.68%	70.77%	55.56%	75.71%	83.19%	79.83%	84.62%	84.06%	63.08%
72	69.77%	62.60%	61.69%	70.76%	73.86%	76.07%	75.80%	64.22%	72.31%	66.67%	80.00%	83.19%	81.51%	84.62%	86.96%	65.70%
71	71.94%	65.85%	63.78%	72.21%	75.42%	77.91%	77.69%	65.52%	75.38%	66.67%	81.43%	84.87%	84.03%	84.62%	88.41%	66.28%
70	74.11%	68.29%	65.40%	74.44%	77.27%	79.75%	79.46%	67.67%	76.92%	66.67%	82.86%	87.39%	85.71%	84.62%	88.41%	69.77%

Percentage of proposals below threshold (<70)	25.89%	31.71%	34.60%	25.58%	22.73%	20.25%	20.54%	32.33%	23.08%	33.33%	17.14%	12.61%	14.28%	15.38%	11.59%	30.23%
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* your proposal can have the same score as the cut off score yet not be funded, due to additional priorities (as defined in Work Programme) and the ex aequo ranking decisions by the Panel.

How to interpret this table

The percentage of proposals above the overall threshold and with a given score or higher is shown per ranking list. Green shows the funding range. Proposals below the overall threshold are shown separately and are not part of the cumulative total.

For example:

- in the EF-PHY ranking, 21.61% of all eligible proposals submitted in this ranking list scored 90 or higher. The funding cut off is 92.2.

- in the GF-SOC ranking, 30.23% of all eligible proposals submitted in this ranking list scored less than the threshold (70) and were rejected.



MSCA-PF-2022 European

Topic	Panel	Type of Action	Number of proposals evaluated	Number of proposals retained for funding	Success Rate
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	CHE	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-EF	920	162	17,61 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	ECO	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-EF	109	20	18,35 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	ENG	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-EF	911	154	16,90 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	ENV	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-EF	668	116	17,37 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	LIF	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-EF	1367	242	17,70 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	MAT	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-EF	138	25	18,12 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	PHY	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-EF	733	132	18,01 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	SOC	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-EF	1387	242	17,45 %



MSCA-PF-2022 Global

Topic	Panel	Type of Action	Number of proposals evaluated	Number of proposals retained for funding	Success Rate
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	CHE	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF	42	9	21,43 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	ECO	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF	11	3	27,27 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	ENG	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF	82	18	21,95 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	ENV	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF	85	18	21,18 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	LIF	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF	103	21	20,39 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	MAT	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF	11	2	18,18 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	PHY	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF	57	11	19,30 %
HORIZON-MSCA-2022-PF-01-01	SOC	HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF	285	60	21,05 %



MSCA-PF-2022: Cumulative percentage of proposals above threshold, with a given score or higher (funding range marked in green)

Number of eligible proposals	920 proposals	109 proposals	911 proposals	668 proposals	1367 proposals	138 proposals	733 proposals	1387 proposals	42 proposals	11 proposals	82 proposals	85 proposals	103 proposals	11 proposals	57 proposals	285 proposals
Cut off score for funding*	91.8	89.4	92.4	92.6	93.6	92.2	92.4	93.0	95.0	81.0	96.4	94.0	92.6	90.8	93.4	93.6
Score equal to or above	EF-CHE	EF-ECO	EF-ENG	EF-ENV	EF-LIF	EF-MAT	EF-PHY	EF-SOC	GF-CHE	GF-ECO	GF-ENG	GF-ENV	GF-LIF	GF-MAT	GF-PHY	GF-SOC
100	0.65%	1.63%	0.33%	0.90%	0.51%	0.72%	0.82%	1.15%	0.00%	0.00%	2.44%	2.35%	1.94%	0.00%	0.00%	1.75%
99	1.41%	1.63%	0.65%	1.35%	1.96%	0.72%	1.64%	2.02%	2.36%	0.00%	4.68%	4.71%	3.86%	0.00%	1.75%	2.46%
98	2.93%	2.75%	2.74%	4.04%	4.68%	2.90%	3.55%	4.25%	10.98%	0.00%	10.98%	5.81%	6.80%	0.00%	1.75%	4.81%
97	4.02%	3.67%	4.83%	5.99%	7.75%	6.52%	4.77%	6.71%	11.90%	0.00%	18.29%	9.41%	7.77%	0.00%	3.51%	7.72%
96	6.30%	4.69%	7.03%	8.23%	10.75%	9.42%	7.78%	9.68%	19.05%	0.00%	24.39%	15.29%	11.65%	9.09%	8.77%	11.58%
95	8.70%	6.42%	8.89%	11.08%	14.34%	10.87%	9.96%	12.26%	21.43%	0.00%	29.27%	17.65%	13.59%	9.09%	10.53%	15.09%
94	11.52%	9.17%	12.62%	14.62%	16.97%	13.04%	13.10%	14.92%	21.43%	0.00%	32.93%	22.35%	13.59%	9.09%	14.04%	18.95%
93	14.78%	10.09%	15.37%	16.47%	20.19%	16.67%	16.78%	17.74%	21.43%	0.00%	32.93%	27.06%	17.48%	9.09%	21.05%	22.11%
92	17.28%	12.84%	18.22%	18.86%	23.04%	18.84%	20.05%	20.55%	28.57%	0.00%	36.59%	30.59%	22.33%	9.09%	26.32%	25.26%
91	20.00%	14.68%	20.75%	22.01%	25.82%	21.74%	22.51%	22.78%	30.95%	0.00%	40.24%	37.65%	24.27%	9.09%	26.32%	27.02%
90	23.70%	15.60%	23.16%	25.75%	29.33%	26.09%	26.19%	25.16%	35.71%	0.00%	42.68%	37.65%	29.13%	18.18%	31.58%	29.82%
89	26.85%	18.35%	26.56%	28.20%	32.48%	30.43%	29.60%	27.54%	40.48%	0.00%	48.78%	42.35%	33.98%	18.18%	36.84%	31.23%
88	30.11%	20.18%	28.65%	30.69%	35.70%	34.05%	32.20%	29.89%	42.86%	0.00%	51.22%	45.88%	38.83%	18.18%	40.35%	35.44%
87	33.04%	23.85%	31.05%	34.88%	38.84%	37.69%	35.33%	32.23%	45.24%	0.00%	54.89%	49.41%	41.75%	18.18%	47.37%	36.49%
86	36.74%	24.77%	33.59%	36.32%	42.06%	40.58%	38.74%	34.10%	57.14%	9.09%	59.76%	52.94%	44.65%	18.18%	49.12%	38.25%
85	39.35%	24.77%	36.55%	41.92%	45.87%	44.20%	43.38%	36.27%	64.29%	9.09%	62.20%	55.29%	48.54%	27.27%	54.39%	41.75%
84	41.85%	26.61%	38.97%	44.91%	49.38%	46.38%	47.75%	38.43%	66.67%	9.09%	64.63%	56.47%	52.43%	27.27%	56.14%	43.86%
83	45.65%	30.28%	41.05%	47.75%	52.52%	50.72%	51.30%	40.95%	71.43%	9.09%	67.07%	61.18%	57.28%	36.36%	59.65%	46.67%
82	47.50%	32.11%	44.35%	50.15%	54.70%	52.17%	54.02%	43.40%	76.19%	18.18%	70.73%	63.53%	61.17%	36.36%	61.40%	49.82%
81	50.43%	33.94%	46.21%	53.59%	57.72%	53.62%	57.98%	45.05%	80.95%	27.27%	70.73%	65.88%	63.11%	36.36%	61.40%	52.63%
80	54.57%	35.78%	47.97%	57.04%	60.57%	55.07%	61.66%	47.15%	80.95%	45.45%	73.17%	70.59%	66.02%	36.36%	63.16%	54.74%
79	56.85%	37.61%	50.27%	59.28%	63.13%	57.25%	64.12%	49.32%	80.95%	54.55%	73.17%	71.76%	66.02%	36.36%	68.42%	56.14%
78	59.57%	39.45%	53.24%	62.28%	65.91%	59.42%	68.35%	51.69%	80.95%	54.55%	74.39%	75.29%	67.96%	36.36%	70.18%	57.89%
77	62.50%	44.04%	55.54%	64.22%	67.96%	61.59%	70.80%	53.71%	83.33%	54.55%	76.83%	76.47%	68.90%	36.36%	70.18%	60.35%
76	65.33%	48.62%	57.30%	66.62%	70.37%	64.49%	73.12%	55.44%	88.10%	54.55%	76.83%	80.00%	70.87%	45.45%	73.68%	62.81%
75	67.61%	50.46%	59.39%	69.31%	72.49%	67.39%	75.17%	57.46%	88.10%	54.55%	79.27%	80.00%	74.76%	45.45%	73.68%	62.81%
74	70.11%	52.29%	61.69%	71.26%	73.52%	70.29%	76.53%	59.34%	90.48%	54.55%	80.49%	81.18%	74.76%	45.45%	75.44%	64.21%
73	72.17%	54.13%	63.67%	73.50%	74.76%	73.19%	77.49%	61.07%	90.48%	63.64%	80.49%	84.71%	74.76%	45.45%	78.95%	67.02%
72	74.67%	56.88%	65.53%	75.30%	76.44%	76.81%	79.54%	62.36%	92.86%	63.64%	82.93%	85.88%	75.73%	54.55%	78.95%	70.53%
71	75.76%	57.80%	67.62%	76.80%	77.98%	78.26%	81.45%	64.24%	92.86%	72.73%	84.15%	87.06%	77.67%	54.55%	84.21%	72.98%
70	77.39%	61.47%	69.48%	78.89%	79.37%	78.99%	83.08%	66.04%	92.86%	72.73%	85.37%	87.06%	80.58%	54.55%	87.72%	74.04%

Percentage of proposals below threshold (<70)	22.61%	38.53%	30.52%	21.11%	20.63%	21.01%	16.92%	33.96%	7.14%	27.27%	14.63%	12.94%	19.42%	45.45%	12.28%	25.96%
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* your proposal can have the same score as the cut off score yet not be funded, due to additional priorities (as defined in Work Programme) and the ex-aequo ranking decisions by the Panel.

How to interpret this table

The percentage of proposals above the overall threshold and with a given score or higher is shown per ranking list. Green shows the funding range. Proposals below the overall threshold are shown separately and are not part of the cumulative total.

For example:

-in the EF-PHY ranking, 26.19% of all eligible proposals submitted in this ranking list scored 90 or higher. The funding cut off is 92.4.

-in the GF-SOC ranking, 25.96% of all eligible proposals submitted in this ranking list scored less than the threshold (70) and were rejected.



Main novelties WP 2023-24


WP 2022	WP 2023-2024
	Clarify wording for EF/GF scope + clarification secondments max duration (+ 3 months at beneficiary in GF)
	Successful defence must be unconditional and take place before the call deadline
	Allow less than 50% part-time for medical reasons
LoC for associated partner hosting the optional placement	No LoC for associated partner hosting the placement required (only remaining LoC required for the associated partner hosting the GF outgoing phase)

Come usare la piattaforma elettronica per la submission della proposta

Angelo D'Agostino



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Type of MGA
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HORIZON Unit Grant [HORIZON-AG-UN]

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13 September 2023 17:00:00 Brussels time

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To access the Electronic Submission Service, please click on the submission-button next to the **type of action** and the **type of model grant agreement** that corresponds to your proposal. You will then be asked to confirm your choice, as it cannot be changed in the submission system. Upon confirmation, you will be linked to the correct entry point.

To access existing draft proposals for this topic, please login to the Funding & Tenders Portal and select the My Proposals page of the My Area section.

Please select the type of your submission:

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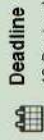


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Submit

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Deadline

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154 days left until closure

Please submit your proposal at the latest **48 hours before the deadline** (to avoid system congestion or system incompatibility issues). Late proposals will not be accepted. Don't wait until the end because you are worried about confidentiality – we will not open the proposals before the deadline.
You can submit the proposal as many times as you wish up until the deadline. Each new submitted version will replace the previous one.

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Your role

Please indicate your role in this proposal *

- ☒ Supervisor (Main Contact Person)
☐ Researcher
☐ Contact person

Your proposal

It will appear also in the "General Information" section of the Application Form Part A and can also be updated there.

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Enter value

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Short Summary *

Enter value

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In this step, the coordinator can manage and review the participants.
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- Proposals with an additional placement period in the non-academic sector require 1 Associated Partner organisation located in a Member State or Associated Country. If your proposal does not include such additional placement, please ignore this warning. Do not add here Associated partners for Secondments.
- This call requires at least 1 Associated partner organization located in a Third country where the outgoing phase with take place.
- Call requires at least 1 Associated Partner organisation.

Number of participants: 1

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Call requires at least 1 Associated Partner organisation

Number of participants: 1 ⓘ

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Contacts: 

Researcher
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In this step you can edit the Administrative Forms and upload the proposal and its annexes. You may return to this step from the 'My Proposals' section of the Funding & Tenders Portal.

Submit your proposal as early in the process as possible - you can update and resubmit an improved version many times before the call closure.

Submitting a proposal will overwrite any previous versions of this same proposal - this process is irreversible.

Any changes made to the proposal will not be available to the European Commission service unless resubmitted before the call closure.

Your proposal contains changes that have not yet been submitted.

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Part B and Annexes

In this section you may upload the technical annex of the proposal (in PDF format only) and any other requested attachments.

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Part B2 *

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VALIDATE

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(MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2023)

Topic: HORIZON-MSCA-2023-PF-01-01

Type of Action: HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-PF-GF
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1 - General information

Fields marked * are mandatory to fill

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Proposal title

The title should be no longer than 200 characters (with spaces) and should be understandable to the non-specialist.

Note that for technical reasons, the following characters are not accepted in the Proposal Title and will be removed: < > " &

Scientific Area

SOC - Social Sciences and Humanities (SOC)

Please select up to 5 descriptors (and at least 3) that best characterise the subject of your proposal, in descending order of relevance.

Add

Descriptor 1

Word or words that best describe(s) the subject of your project.

Free keywords

Enter any words you think give extra detail of the scope of your proposal (max 200 characters with spaces).

Please choose the scientific area and descriptors carefully, and in order of importance, since this will guide the REA in the selection of experts for proposal evaluation and the allocation of proposals to experts.

Abstract *

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2 - Participants

List of participating organisations

#	Participating Organisation Legal Name	Country	Role	Action
1			Coordinator	Show Participant's Details
2			Associated	Show Participant's Details
3			Associated	Show Participant's Details

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Short name

Organisation data

PIC Legal name

Short name:

Address

Street

Town

Postcode

Country Italy

Webpage

Specific Legal Statutes

Legal person yes

Public body yes

Non-profit yes

International organisation no

Secondary or Higher education establishment no

Research organisation no

SME Data

Academic Sector no



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Departments carrying out the proposed work

Add a Department ?

Department 1

Department name *Name of the department/institute carrying out the work.* ☐ not applicable

☐ Same as proposing organisation's address

Street

Please enter street name and number.

Town

Please enter the name of the town.

Postcode

Area code.

Country

Please select a country ▼

Links with other participants

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Type of link

Participant

Add

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Supervisor

This will be the person the EU services will contact concerning this proposal (e.g. for additional information, invitation to hearings, sending of evaluation results, convocation to start grant preparation). The data in blue is read-only. Details (name, first name and e-mail) of Main Contact persons should be edited in the step "Participants" of the submission wizard.

Title Gender ☐ Woman ☐ Man ☐ Non Binary

First name*

Last name*

E-Mail*

Position in org. Please indicate the position of the person.

Department

Name of the department/institute carrying out the work.

☐ Same as organisation name

☐ Same as proposing organisation's address

Street

Please enter street name and number.

Town

Please enter the name of the town.

Post code

Area code.

Country

Please select a country

Website

Please enter website

Phone

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Phone 2

+xxx xxxxxxxx

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Short name

Researcher

The name and e-mail of the Researcher and Supervisor are read-only in the administrative form, only additional details can be edited here. To give access rights and contact details of contact persons, please go back to Participants page of the submission wizard and save the changes.

Last Name*	TEST	Last Name at Birth	
First Name(s)*	prova	Gender* <input type="radio"/> Woman <input type="radio"/> Man <input type="radio"/> Non binary	
Title	▼	Country of residence*	▼
Nationality*	▼	Nationality 2	▼
Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY)	<div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div>	Country of Birth*	▼
		Place of Birth	

Contact address

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Current organisation name



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Short name

Place of activity/place of residence (previous 5 years - most recent one first)

Indicate the period(s) and the country/countries in which you have legally resided and/or had your main activity (work, studies, etc) during the last 5 years up until the deadline for the submission of the proposal.

Please fill in this section without gaps

Period from	Period to	Duration (days)	Country	Add
	13/09/2023			
Total		0		



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3 - Budget

Is the Researcher eligible for family allowance? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Country in which return phase will take place
Italy

	Country Coefficient	Number of Months	Contributions for recruited researchers			Institutional contributions		Total
			Living Allowance	Mobility Allowance	Family Allowance	Research, training and networking costs	Management and indirect costs	
Return phase	0.974	12	59375.04	7200.00	0.00	12000.00	7800.00	86375.04
Total			59375.04	7200.00	0.00	12000.00	7800.00	86375.04

The Partner Organisation does not sign the Grant Agreement and does not directly claim costs from the action. The entire EU contribution is transferred to the Host organisation located in a Member State or Associated Country.

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4 - Ethics & security

Ethics Issues Table

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1. Human Embryonic Stem Cells and Human Embryos		Page
Does this activity involve Human Embryonic Stem Cells (hESCs)?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
Does this activity involve the use of human embryos?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
2. Humans		Page
Does this activity involve human participants?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
Does this activity involve interventions (physical also including imaging technology, behavioural treatments, etc.) on the study participants?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
Does this activity involve conducting a clinical study as defined by the Clinical Trial Regulation (EU 536/2014)? (using pharmaceuticals, biologicals, radiopharmaceuticals, or advanced therapy medicinal products)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
3. Human Cells / Tissues (not covered by section 1)		Page
Does this activity involve the use of human cells or tissues?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
4. Personal Data		Page
Does this activity involve processing of personal data?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
Does this activity involve further processing of previously collected personal data (including use of preexisting data sets or sources, merging existing data sets)?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
Is it planned to export personal data from the EU to non-EU countries? Specify the type of personal data and countries involved	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
Is it planned to import personal data from non-EU countries into the EU or from a non-EU	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	

5 - Other questions

Information on the Researcher (future fellow)

1. Were you in the last 3 years in compulsory national service? ☐ Yes ☐ No

2. Did you spend time, in the last 3 years, on procedures for obtaining refugee status (according to the 1951 Geneva Refugee Convention and the 1967 Protocol) in a Member State or Associated Country to Horizon Europe? ☐ Yes ☐ No

3. Are you a national of a Member State or Associated Country? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are you a long term resident of a Member State or Associated Country? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Period of legal and continuous residence within one or more EU Member States or Horizon 2020 Associated Countries:

Period from	Period to	Number of days	Member State / Associated Country	Name of the Institution	Add
				▼	

Other Questions

4. Are the research and training activities proposed addressing topics related to nuclear sciences and technology, as outlined in the Guide for applicants for this call and the Euratom Research and Training Programme (ERTP)? ** ☐ Yes ☐ No

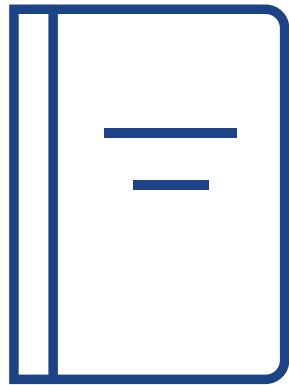
Answer "Yes" ONLY IF all three conditions below are fulfilled:

- The proposal's research area is covered by the ERTP
- The host organisation (and, if applicable, the Associated Partner for the additional Placement period) is/are established in a Member State or Associated Country to the ERTP
- The researcher is a national or a long-term resident of a Member State or Associated Country to the ERTP

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Parts A and B of the Proposal



- Proposals consist of an administrative part (Part A, filled in online) and a narrative part composed of two separate PDF files (Part B-1 and Part B-2, template available on the Funding & Tenders Portal).



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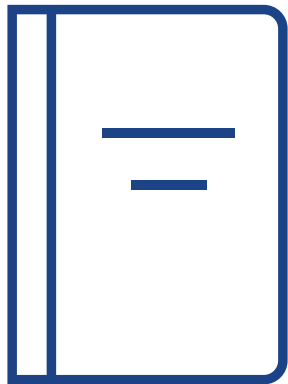
How to fill in the forms

The form must be filled in for each proposal using the templates available in the submission system. Some data fields in the form are pre-filled based on the steps in the submission wizard.

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Part B



- ❏ The narrative Part B is the core part of the proposal; it should contain the **details of the proposed research and training activities** along with the **practical arrangements** proposed to implement them.
- ❏ Applicants must use the Part B template available on the call page on the Funding & Tenders Portal.
- ❏ Please follow all instructions in the template.



Part B

The Part B is composed of two separate documents which must be uploaded as separate PDF files:

- ! **Part B-1**, containing a maximum of 10 (ten) A4-sized pages. Any excess pages (i.e. numerical page 11 and beyond) will not be available to the evaluators

Part B-2, with no strict page limit for A4-sized pages

Size limit

Size limit of the documents: Please note that the **maximum size for each document is 10 MB**. The upload of any documents above this size limit will fail in the submission system. Applicants are reminded to test the system in advance, and avoid submitting their proposal at the last minute.



Part B-1

- ❏ Page limit: Sections 1, 2 and 3 together should not be longer than 10 pages.
- ❏ **All tables, figures, references** and any other element pertaining to these sections must be included as an integral part of these sections and are thus **counted towards this page limit**.
- ❏ The page limit for this part of the proposal will be applied automatically; therefore, you must remove these instruction pages before submitting.
- ❏ **Do not add a cover page or a table of contents.**



Part B-1

- 7 The page size is A4, and all margins (top, bottom, left, right) should be at least 15 mm (not including any footers or headers).
- 7 The reference **font** for the body text of proposals is **Times New Roman (Windows platforms), Times/Times New Roman (Apple platforms) or Nimbus Roman No. 9 L (Linux distributions).**



Part B-1

- ❏ The minimum font size allowed is **11 points**. Standard character spacing and a minimum of **single line spacing** is to be used.
- ❏ Text elements other than the body text, such as tables, headers, foot/end notes, captions, formulas, etc. may deviate, but must be legible and not be less than 8 points.



Part B-2

- Part B-2, for which you will find a template at the end of this document **does not have a page limit.**
- It must comprise the **CV of the researcher**, the **capacity of the participating organisation(s)** and **the commitment letter(s) of the associated partner(s)** if applicable (only for Global Fellowships outgoing hosts).
- Part B-2 must be submitted as a separate document

Technical Aspects of Proposal Submission

- ❏ Proposals must be submitted electronically using the European Commission's Online Submission Service accessible via the Funding & Tenders Portal.
- ❏ We encourage you to submit your proposal as soon as possible. It remains possible to reopen, edit and resubmit your proposal as many times as required before the call deadline; only the last submitted version will be evaluated.
- ❏ Prior to the call deadline, it is strongly advised to re-download parts B-1 and B-2, to ensure the PDF files are correct, complete, and not corrupted.



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50%	30%	20%
Weighting		

Excellence

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)

At a minimum, address the following aspects:

- 🔗 Describe the quality and pertinence of the R&I objectives; are the **objectives measurable and verifiable**? Are they **realistically achievable**?
- 🔗 Describe how your project goes beyond the state-of-the-art, and the extent to which the proposed work is ambitious

- Briefly describe the objectives of your proposed work.
- Specific research objectives (ROs) of the project.
- Number the objectives O1, O2, O3 etc.
- Are they measurable and verifiable?
- Are they realistically achievable?
- Break the State-of-the-art (SOA) into separate short paragraphs
- Outline the current level of knowledge in the research area and highlight how the project will progress the research '**beyond the current state-of-the-art**

Proposal tips!



Measurable

- ▣ Measurable means that you will track the successful achievement of your objective with key performance indicators. Clearly define them and their targets
 - What metrics will I use to determine if I meet the goal?
 - How will I know whether the goal is accomplished?



Verifiable

- ▣ Verifiable objectives means that at the end of any time period or task it should be possible to determine whether or not the objectives for the period have been achieved



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 of open science practices)

At a minimum, address the following aspects:

- 🔗 **Overall methodology:** Describe and explain the overall methodology, including the concepts, models and assumptions that underpin your work. Explain **how** this will enable you to deliver your project's objectives. Refer to any important challenges you may have identified in the chosen methodology and how you intend to overcome them
- 🔗 **Integration of method and disciplines to pursue the objective:** Explain **how** expertise and methods from different disciplines will be brought together and integrated in pursuit of your objectives. If you consider that an inter-disciplinary approach is unnecessary in the context of the proposed work, please provide a justification
- 🔗 **Gender dimension and other diversity aspects:** Describe **how** the gender dimension and other diversity aspects are taken into account in the project's research and innovation content. If you do not consider such a gender dimension to be relevant in your project, please provide a justification.
- 🔗 **Open science practices:** Describe **how** appropriate open science practices are implemented as an integral part of the proposed methodology. Show how the choice of practices and their implementation is adapted to the nature of your work in a way that will increase the chances of the project delivering on its objectives [e.g. up to 1/2 page, including research data management]. If you believe that none of these practices are appropriate for your project, please provide a justification here.



Quality of the supervision, training and of the two-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host

Proposal tips !

- ▢ Describe the qualifications and **experience of the supervisor(s)**. Provide information regarding the supervisors' level of experience on the research topic proposed and their track record of work, including main international collaborations, as well as the level of experience in supervising/training especially at advanced level (PhD, postdoctoral researchers). Information provided should include participation in projects, publications, patents and any other relevant results.
- ▢ Outline how a two-way transfer of knowledge will occur between the researcher and the host institution(s):
 - Explain **what** new knowledge the researcher will gain during the fellowship at the hosting organisation(s) and **how** it will be acquired.
 - Outline the previously acquired knowledge and skills that the researcher will **transfer** to the host organisation(s).



Quality and appropriateness of the researcher's professional experience, competences and skills

- ▣ Discuss the quality and appropriateness of the researcher's existing professional experience in relation to the proposed research project



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Credibility of the measures to enhance the career perspectives and employability of the researcher and contribution to his/her skills development

At a minimum, address the following aspects:

- ▣ **Expected** skill development of the researcher.
- ▣ **Expected** impact of the proposed research and training activities on the researcher's career perspectives inside and/or outside academia

Please explain the impact of the research and training on the fellows' careers

Proposal tips!



At a minimum, address the following aspects:

- ▣ **Plan for the dissemination and exploitation activities, including communication activities:** Describe the planned measures to maximize the impact of your project by providing a first version of your 'plan for the dissemination and exploitation including communication activities'. Describe the dissemination, exploitation measures that are planned, and the target group(s) addressed (e.g. scientific community, end users, financial actors, public at large). Regarding communication measures and public engagement strategy, the aim is to inform and reach out to society and show the activities performed, and the use and the benefits the project will have for citizens. Activities must be strategically planned, with clear objectives, start at the outset and continue through the lifetime of the project. The description of the communication activities needs to state the main messages as well as the tools and channels that will be used to reach out to each of the chosen target groups
- ▣ **Strategy for the management of intellectual property, foreseen protection measures:** if relevant, discuss the strategy for the management of intellectual property, foreseen protection measures, such as patents, design rights, copyright, trade secrets, etc., and how these would be used to support exploitation.

Suitability and quality of the measures to maximise expected outcomes and impacts, as set out in the dissemination and exploitation plan, including communication activities



COMMUNICATION, DISSEMINATION AND EXPLOITATION WHY THEY ALL MATTER AND WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE?

Communication: Promote your action and results

Inform, promote and communicate
your activities and results



Reaching multiple audiences

Citizens, the media, stakeholders



How?

- Having a well-designed strategy
- Conveying clear messages
- Using the right media channels



When?

From the start of the action until the end



Why?

- Engage with stakeholders
- Attract the best experts to your team
- Generate market demand
- Raise awareness of how public money is spent
- Show the success of European collaboration

Legal obligation of your Grant Agreement

Dissemination: Make your results public

Open Science: knowledge and results (free of charge)
for others to use



Only to scientists?

Not only but also to others that can learn from the results:
authorities, industry, policymakers, sectors of interest, civil
society



How?

Publishing your results on:

- Scientific magazines
- Scientific and/or targeted conferences
- Databases



When?

At any time, and as soon as the action has results



Why?

- Maximise results' impact
- Allow other researchers to go a step forward
- Contribute to the advancement of the state of the art
- Make scientific results a common good

Legal obligation of your Grant Agreement

Exploitation: Make concrete use of results

Commercial, Societal, Political Purposes



Only by researchers?

Not only, but also:

- Industry including SMEs
- Those that can make good use of them:
authorities, industrial authorities, policymakers, sectors of
interest, civil society



How?

- Creating roadmaps, prototypes, softwares
- Sharing knowledge, skills, data



When?

Towards the end and beyond, as soon as the action has exploi-
table results



Why?

- Lead to new legislation or recommendations
- For the benefit of innovation, the economy and the society
- Help to tackle a problem and respond to an existing demand

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Acknowledgement of EU funding



The magnitude and importance of the project's contribution to the expected scientific, societal and economic impacts

- ▣ Provide a narrative explaining how the project's results are expected to make a difference in terms of impact, beyond the immediate scope and duration of the project
- ▣ Be specific, referring to the effects of your project, and not R&I in general in this field. State the target groups that would benefit.
 - **Expected scientific impact(s)**, e.g. contributing to specific scientific advances, across and within disciplines, creating new knowledge, reinforcing scientific equipment and instruments, computing systems (i.e. research infrastructures);
 - **Expected economic/technological impact(s)**, e.g. bringing new products, services, business processes to the market, increasing efficiency, decreasing costs, increasing profits, contributing to standards' setting, etc.
 - **Expected societal impact(s)**, e.g. decreasing CO₂ emissions, decreasing avoidable mortality, improving policies and decision-making, raising consumer awareness.



Key Impact Pathways

1. Creating high-quality new knowledge
2. Strengthening human capital in research and innovation
3. Fostering diffusion of knowledge and Open source

Scientific impact

4. Addressing EU policy priorities and global challenges through research and innovation
5. Delivering benefits and impact through research and innovation missions
6. Strengthening the uptake of research and innovation in society

Societal impact

7. Generating innovation-based growth
8. Creating more and better jobs
9. Leveraging investment in research and innovation

Towards technological/economic impact

https://ec.europa.eu/info/research-and-innovation/strategy/support-policy-making/shaping-eu-research-and-innovation-policy/evaluation-impact-assessment-and-monitoring/horizon-europe_en#monitoring-horizon-europe

Impact criterion - PF

Scientific impact

- Promote scientific excellence
- Support creation and diffusion of high-quality new fundamental and applied knowledge, skills and training

Societal impact

- Generate knowledge
- Strengthen the impact of R&I in developing, supporting and implementing EU policies
- Support the uptake of innovative solutions in industry, notably in SMEs, and society to address global challenges

Economic impact

- Foster all forms of innovation
- Facilitate technological development, demonstration and knowledge transfer
- Strengthen deployment of innovative solution

EU publication



■ EU publications

Study to support the monitoring and evaluation of the framework programme for research and innovation along key impact pathways

Indicator methodology and metadata handbook

The Indicator Methodology and Metadata Handbook is one of the deliverable of the study to support the monitoring and evaluation of the Framework Programme for research and innovation along Key Impact Pathways – RTD/2019/SC/016. It presents precise definitions & detailed methodology and data sources for each of the Key Impact Pathway indicators. It is based on results of Task 1 which was about specifying and testing a full set of indicators, related methodologies for data collection and analysis, and data sources for each of the nine Key Impact Pathways ensuring data quality and reliability. The estimates for the baselines and benchmarks come from the work performed in Task 3 (linked to the Baseline and Benchmark report), while the methodology and data quality assessment are based on the work performed in Task 2 (linked to the Operationalisation plan for IT systems).

<https://ec.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/2236c81c-c9bd-11ec-b6f4-01aa75ed71a1/language-en/format-PDF/source-256388146>



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Quality and effectiveness of the work plan, assessment of risks and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages

At a minimum, address the following aspects:

- ▣ **Brief presentation of the overall structure of the work plan**, including deliverables and milestones.
- ▣ **Timing** of the different **work packages** and their **components**;
- ▣ **Mechanisms** in place to assess and **mitigate risks** (of research and/or administrative nature).

A Gantt chart must be included and should indicate the proposed Work Packages (WP), major deliverables, milestones, secondments, placements. This Gantt chart counts towards the 10-page limit. The schedule in the Gantt chart should indicate the number of months elapsed from the start of the action (Month 1).

- Work Packages description
- major deliverables
- major milestones
- Risk management

Description of risk (indicate level of (i) likelihood, and (ii) severity: Low/Medium/High)	Work package(s) involved	Proposed risk-mitigation measures

Proposal tips!



Quality and capacity of the host institutions and participating organisations, including hosting arrangements

At a minimum, address the following aspects:

- ▣ **Hosting arrangements**, including integration in the team/institution and support services available to the researcher.
- ▣ **Quality and capacity of the participating organisations**, including infrastructure, logistics and facilities should be outlined in Part B-2 Section 5 (“Capacity of the Participating Organisations”).

Note that for GF, both the quality and capacity of **the outgoing Third Country host** and the return host should be outlined.

Associated partners linked to a beneficiary: If applicable, outline here the involvement of any 'associated partners linked to a beneficiary' (in particular, the name of the entity, the type of link with the beneficiary and the tasks to be carried out).



Part B2

4. CV of the researcher (indicative length: 5 pages)

- ▣ The CV should include the standard academic and research record. Any research career gaps and/or unconventional paths should be clearly explained.

At a minimum, the CV should contain:

- ▣ a) The name of the researcher;
- ▣ b) Professional experience (most recent first, with exact dates in format dd/mm/yyyy);
- ▣ c) Education, including PhD award date (most recent first, with exact dates in format: dd/mm/yyyy).



The CV should include information on:

- ✎ Publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals, peer-reviewed conference proceedings, and/or monographs (they are expected to be open access either published or through repositories) and other outputs such as data, software, algorithms significant for your research path (they are expected to be open access in appropriate repositories to the extent possible; they should be accompanied by a very short qualitative assessment of their scientific significance and not by the Journal Impact Factor);
- ✎ Invited presentations to internationally established conferences and/or international advanced schools;
- ✎ Organisation of international conferences, including membership in the steering and/or programme committee;
- ✎ Research expeditions led by the researcher;
- ✎ Granted patent(s);
- ✎ Examples of participation in industrial innovation;
- ✎ Prizes and Awards;
- ✎ Funding received so far;
- ✎ Supervising and mentoring activities;
- ✎ Other items of interest.



Letter(s) of commitment from associated partners (only for hosts of outgoing phase of Global Fellowships)

Minimum requirements:

- ✧ With heading or stamp from the institution;
- ✧ Up-to-date document, i.e. not dated prior to the call publication;
- ✧ Demonstrating the will to actively participate in the (identified) proposal;
- ✧ Explanation of the precise role.

Note that the expert evaluators will be instructed to disregard the contribution of any associated partners for which no such evidence of commitment is submitted.

For GF proposals the absence of a letter of commitment will render the proposal inadmissible and the proposal will not be evaluated.

Non-binding example of template letter of commitment for PF associated partners:

I undersigned *[title, first name and surname]*, in my quality of *[role in the organisation]* in *[name of the organisation]* commit to set up all necessary provisions to participate as associated partner in the proposal *[proposal number and/or acronym]* submitted to the call HE-MSCA-2023-PF, should the proposal be funded.

On behalf of *[name of the organisation]*, I also confirm that we will participate and contribute to the research, innovation and training activities as planned in this project. In particular, *[name of the organisation]* will be involved in *[free field for any additional information that the participating organisation wishes to indicate in order to describe its role and contribution to the project]*.

I hereby declare that I am entitled to commit into this process the entity I represent.

Name, Date, Signature

Ex-aequo Proposals

The priority order for ex-aequo proposals will be established as follows:

1. The proposals will be prioritised according to the scores they have been awarded for the criterion '**Excellence**'. When these scores are equal, priority will be based on scores for the criterion '**Impact**'.
2. If necessary, the gender balance among postdoctoral fellows will be used as a factor for prioritisation.
3. If a distinction still cannot be made, the panel may decide to further prioritise by considering other factors such as **gender** and **other diversity aspects** in the research activities, participation of the **non-academic sector** (including involvement of SMEs), **geographical diversity, favourable employment** and **working conditions** or relationship to the Horizon Europe objectives in general. These factors will be documented in the panel report.

Tips on how to write a successful proposal



- ☞ Use standard and concise english
- ☞ Make the text clear, well structured, and fluent
- ☞ use short paragraphs, point out key passages, schematise the concepts
- ☞ Insert only information relevant to the project
- ☞ Answer to ALL! the questions indicated in the form
- ☞ Coherent language in all proposal paragraphs (e.g. service – system, experimentation – test etc.)

Tips on how to write a successful proposal



- ❏ Do not assume that the evaluator is a hardcore expert in the field
- ❏ a clear description of the research methodology
- ❏ Explain why it is original, innovative, timely and relevant
- ❏ Highlight interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary aspects of the proposal
- ❏ why the research and training presented will bring new skills and knowledge to the candidate
- ❏ Complementary skills
- ❏ Demonstrate its feasibility, risk analysis, and, if possible, show a plan B

Alcuni esempi di Evaluation Summary Report

Criterion 1 - Excellence

Score: **3.70** (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 50.00%)

- 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).
- 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).
- Quality of the supervision, training and of the two-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host
- Quality and appropriateness of the researcher's professional experience, competences and skills.

Strengths

- The state of the art is clearly presented, outlining the major challenges and the contribution of the proposed research to the advance of the field.
- The proposal is overall ambitious and will develop new systems with great potential in applications. The objectives are very clear and well presented.
- The methodology is overall appropriate to achieve the desired objectives and is based on the extensive experience of both the host group, the researcher, and the secondment group.
- The strong interdisciplinary is thoroughly explained and it is essential for the development of this proposal combining synthetic chemistry, nanomaterials design, photophysical and photovoltaic studies.
- The host supervisor is a leading researcher in the field of the proposal, as demonstrated by the outstanding bibliometric data and the number of licensed patents, and with a proven track record in successfully supervising and training young researchers.
- The training of the researcher is thoroughly described, both including the new technical skills, as well as the transferable skills through a learning-by-doing approach.
- The proposed secondment will provide additional knowledge in the study of advanced .
- The researcher is very experienced in chemistry related to the proposed research, has extensive international experience in several countries, and industrial experience, which is particularly useful in the IPR aspects of the proposal.
- The productivity of the researcher is outstanding, both in the number of publications and in their quality attending to the journals.

Weaknesses

- The novelty of the proposal is somewhat reduced by the earlier work of the host group with closely related systems, as the main ideas have already been published by the host group.
- Open science is not appropriately addressed.
- Some of the techniques claimed in the knowledge transfer between the host group and the researcher are already in the technical toolbox of the latter as demonstrated by some of their publications.
- Regarding the foreseen methodology the proposal is lacking relevant details concerning the preparation and systems.

Criterion 2 - Impact

Score: **4.20** (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 30.00%)

- Credibility of the measures to enhance the career perspectives and employability of researchers and contribution to their skills development.
- Suitability and quality of the measures to maximise 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 economic impacts.

Strengths

- The professional and scientific objectives of the researcher are clearly presented within a credible timeframe.
- The proposal describes credible and effective measures to enhance the career perspectives of the researcher. In addition to new technical knowledge and experimental skills, the researcher will gain valuable transferable skills.
- The secondment in the [REDACTED] lab will add important skills to the researcher's scientific toolbox.
- The proposal contains the standard scientific communication strategy focused on publication in high-tier journals and attendance at meetings, some of which are already listed in the proposal.
- The intellectual property management and commercialization strategy is clearly described, and backed up by the host institution's specialized office as well as by the demonstrated technology transfer experience of the host supervisor, with long-term collaborations with a number of companies, and numerous patents, many of which are out-licensed.
- Outreach activities and the dissemination strategy for the general public are thoroughly presented and contemplate a variety of actions to reach non-specialists including online and in-person events.
- The expected scientific impact of the proposal is very relevant and credible particularly in the field of the development of new [REDACTED]

Weaknesses

- The proposal does not specify in sufficient detail the actions to enhance or reinforce the independence of the researcher.
- The potential economic and societal impact of the proposed research are discussed very briefly and at a generic level, and not convincingly addressed.
- The academic networking opportunities for the researcher are described in generic terms.

Criterion 3 - Implementation

Score: **4.20** (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 20.00%)

- Quality and effectiveness of the work plan, assessment of risks and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages.
- Quality and capacity of the host institutions and participating organisations, including hosting arrangements.

Strengths

- The **work plan** is clearly presented, and the research is logically organized into several work packages that progressively lead to the proposed objectives.
- The workload is reasonable and the assigned duration of the different work packages is **appropriate**.
- The **Gantt chart** is consistent and complete, including deliverables and milestones that allow the objective monitoring of the proposed activities.
- The proposal includes an assessment of the **scientific risks**.
- **Project management** structure is reasonable and ensures appropriate tracking of the proposed activities.
- The researcher will have institutional **support** for accommodation and VISA paperwork through the host international Office.
- The progress **monitoring** of the proposed research is well designed through regular meetings which will allow to efficiently check if milestones and deliverables are achieved in time.
- The quality of the **infrastructures** at the host institution is appropriate and will offer excellent technical and administrative assistance to the researcher. The collaboration researchers, in addition to the researcher, at the host and during the secondment, will provide all the additionally required know-how and the infrastructures to guarantee the achievement of the objectives of the proposal.

Weaknesses

- There is very little information about the **secondment arrangements** in the proposal.
- There are some inconsistencies in the dissemination plan and its alignment with the timeline of the proposal.
- The **risk management mitigation** measures and contingency plans are not presented with sufficient detail.

Criterion 1 - Excellence

Score: **3.70** (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 50.00%)

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- Quality of the supervision, training and of the two-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host
- Quality and appropriateness of the researcher's professional experience, competences and skills.

Strengths

- The research objectives are pertinent and of quality. They are well described, realistically achievable, measurable and verifiable. Their purpose is useful in helping [REDACTED]
- The proposal clearly presents the relevance of integrating different disciplines in the study, namely computer sciences, mathematics and structural engineering.
- The proposed open science measures are effective and appropriate for the action.
- The proposal satisfactorily describes the quality of the supervision.
- Planned training covers a very good range of effective activities addressing both scientific/research training and key transferable skills training.
- The proposed actions for two-way transfer of knowledge include a range of activities that is sufficient and appropriate.
- The researcher's international past experience and the long list of publications in high-ranking journals demonstrate a very good level of competence and skills.
- The quality of the researcher's professional experience is high and fits well into the research proposal.

Weaknesses

- The project's potential to advance beyond the state-of-the-art is not sufficiently justified.
- The methodology is not sufficiently detailed regarding the [REDACTED] In addition, the proposal does not provide sufficient details of the methodological challenges to be addressed.
- The technical aspects with respect to [REDACTED] in the methodology are not sufficiently addressed.

Criterion 2 - Impact

Score: **3.50** (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 30.00%)

- Credibility of the measures to enhance the career perspectives and employability of researchers and contribution to their skills development.
- Suitability and quality of the measures to maximise 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 economic impacts.

Strengths

- The measures to enhance the researcher's career perspectives are good.
- The proposal provides credible measures for enhancing the researcher's expected skills development.
- The dissemination plan is good as it includes publications in leading journals, presentations at conferences and identifies target groups from academic and industrial audience.
- The planned communication and public engagement activities are of good quality, contributing to create awareness of the performed research. They include a wide range of good and suitable activities identifying proper channels and tools.

Weaknesses

- The exploitation plan and, particularly, the protection and management of the intellectual property are not sufficiently addressed.
- The magnitude and importance of the research's contribution towards expected outcomes are not credibly addressed.
- How the results are expected to have an impact beyond the immediate scope and duration of the research work is not adequately addressed.

Criterion 3 - Implementation

Score: 5.00 (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 20.00%)

- **Quality and effectiveness of the work plan, assessment of risks and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages.**
- **Quality and capacity of the host institutions and participating organisations, including hosting arrangements.**

Strengths

- *The proposed work plan is very good, including appropriate tasks, deliverables and milestones.*
- *The timing and duration allocated to work packages are appropriate for the proposed work.*
- *The potential technical and administrative risks and the contingency measures are sufficiently addressed.*
- *The work packages, deliverables, milestones and secondment are well defined in the Gantt chart and consistent with the work plan.*
- *The host offers a comprehensive support service and the quality of the arrangements is well documented and in line with the researcher's needs.*
- *The infrastructures, logistics and facilities offered by the host institution are conveniently suited for the very good implementation of the planned research.*

Weaknesses

- *No significant weaknesses identified*

Criterion 1 - Excellence

Score: 1.90 (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 50.00%)

- 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).
- 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).
- Quality of the supervision, training and of the two-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host
- Quality and appropriateness of the researcher's professional experience, competences and skills.

Strengths:

- Training activities planned to provide the researcher with the skills and knowledge needed for the success of the fellowship are convincingly presented, especially the plan to extend those knowledge and skills by [REDACTED] methods and to use them with the archives at place.
- The researcher's CV demonstrates they have a good level of experience and academic publications on the proposed topic. This would contribute to the attainment of the research.
- The researcher's previous academic experience, strongly connected with the topic of this proposal, is promising in advancing the scientific field in academia.

Weaknesses:

- Novelty and innovation aspects of the proposal are weak and innovation objectives are not clearly presented. The research objectives remain largely broad and formulated as general statements thus not clearly measurable or verifiable.
- The proposal insufficiently explains in which way it would advance the main field as well as affect the other relevant fields such as [REDACTED]. It fails to sufficiently demonstrate how it would go beyond the state of the art. It is presented in a dense and unfocused manner and requires further detailing e.g. to clarify the disciplinary field the researcher proposes to engage and the research gaps it aims to fill.
- The proposed methodology is relevant but not properly described and it is insufficient to achieve the research objectives.
- Although the proposal makes it clear that interdisciplinarity is relevant and important for the scope of the research, the proposal lacks specificity on how different aspects would be integrated.
- Gender and generational dimensions are defined as elements to be investigated, but the proposal fails to adequately specify how these two dimensions would be analysed.
- The proposal fails to provide sufficient details on open science practices.
- The supervisor has extensive experience in their field, but their qualifications for this specific research are not substantiated. Also their expertise with regard to supervising on postdoc level is not sufficiently explained.
- The two-way transfer of knowledge defined in the proposal lacks adequately detailed information.

Criterion 2 - Impact

Score: **2.10** (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 30.00%)

- **Credibility of the measures to enhance the career perspectives and employability of researchers and contribution to their skills development.**
- **Suitability and quality of the measures to maximise 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 economic impacts.**

Strengths:

- *The proposed dissemination and exploitation measures are credible and targeted to the right audiences in the framework of the research.*
- *The proposal explains well the potential for the researcher to advance their career on international academic level, strengthening their employability in policymaking in the field of the proposed research.*
- *The measures included throughout the proposal are well suited to help the researcher expand their skills and knowledge base in contrastable experiences and with regard to research project management techniques.*
- *The new insights into [REDACTED] would enrich the academic discourse about [REDACTED] developments beyond the duration of the proposal.*

Weaknesses:

- *The proposal makes a compelling case for the importance of the communication measures in advancing the knowledge in the field, but fails short to explain how these measures would be implemented and how the targeted main audiences would be included (communication channels, main message, general public audience unclear). The measures to communicate the proposal remain largely generic and may be difficult to reach to the targeted audiences. The idea to produce visual and documentary information on the subject matter remains superficial in the application. For example, it is not sufficiently presented how the expected results would be transformed into visual information for the different target groups and it is not clearly described which resources could be used for visual information matters.*
- *The expected impacts of the research are not properly addressed in this proposal. The general statements spread throughout the proposal lack specificity that would provide a clearer overview of the potential impact. The proposal's contribution to developments of [REDACTED] which is also promised, is not sufficiently well demonstrated.*

Criterion 3 - implementation

Score: 2.00 (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 20.00%)

- **Quality and effectiveness of the work plan, assessment of risks and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages.**
- **Quality and capacity of the host institutions and participating organisations, including hosting arrangements.**

Strengths:

- *The host institution is very well positioned to support a research in the scientific field of the proposal by providing the researcher with the appropriate academic environment and infrastructure.*
- *Some of the foreseeable risks have been addressed in the proposal.*

Weaknesses:

- *The short work plan is poorly outlined, lacking specifics and practical details, such as what the milestones are and how are they chosen, details on the deliverables, detailed information about on the work plan tasks.*
- *The description of the work packages is general, thus timing and duration not convincing. Some of the time allocated to certain tasks may put at risk the success of the implementation of the fellowship. For instance, academic publications are planned just the last four months of the fellowship, fieldwork is planned to be in just a month in each country.*
- *The Gantt chart is insufficiently explanatory and lacks details on its components.*
- *The proposal insufficiently addresses the hosting arrangements and lacks details on how the researcher would be integrated into relevant teams in the host institution.*

Criterion 1 - Excellence

Score: **5.00** (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 50.00%)

- 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).
- 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).
- Quality of the supervision, training and of the two-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host
- Quality and appropriateness of the researcher's professional experience, competences and skills.

Strengths:

- The proposal is timely, pertinent, and very ambitious, aiming at creating an [REDACTED]
- The state-of-the-art analysis is very sound. There is a solid presentation of the current knowledge, approaches, and regulations. This section is appropriately supported with recent and relevant articles.
- The main and secondary objectives are very clearly articulated in the proposal, including further details about the expected output and relevant research questions attached to each objective.
- The proposal is innovative by combining activities to estimate the [REDACTED]
- The methodology is credible, well thought through, and clearly linked to the project goal. The phases proposed, and the plan to test-out the theoretical phases in real industry environment are very good.
- The proposal includes a very well formulated description about the open sciences practices.
- An interdisciplinary approach is very relevant for this research. Advanced methods from different disciplines are very well integrated into the proposal's research and innovation content.
- The proposed training plan is fully described, and it includes several activities to improve a large variety of skills.
- The main supervisor is very experienced in the subject area and has extensive years of experience in training and supervision of researchers. The other supervisors, both at the host institution and during secondment, have relevant and complementary expertise.
- The two-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher and the host organization is very well explained and convincing.
- The three-way transfer of knowledge between the researcher, host organization and associated partner organization is very well addressed and very convincing.
- The researcher's CV demonstrates a sound knowledge (academic and professional) on all branches [REDACTED] topics related to the proposal.

Weaknesses:

None

Criterion 2 - Impact

Score: **5.00** (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 30.00%)

- **Credibility of the measures to enhance the career perspectives and employability of researchers and contribution to their skills development.**
- **Suitability and quality of the measures to maximise 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 economic impacts.**

Strengths:

- *The measures to enhance the career prospects of the researcher within and outside academia are very well described and are very convincing. The proposal adequately presents how the advancement of the researcher's employability would benefit from this research.*
- *The strategy for disseminating the outcomes of the project is good. Sound paper publications, participations in workshops, conferences, community engagements, etc are foreseen.*
- *The exploitation plan is well described. The description of the protection of the intellectual property is appropriately presented.*
- *The plan for communication and public engagement activities is very good and appropriate.*
- *The scale and importance of the expected scientific, societal, and economic impact is very promising and very well outlined in the proposal.*
- *The results are expected to have a significant impact well beyond the duration of the proposal.*
- *The quantified estimates of the proposal's contribution to the expected outcomes and impacts are very convincing and well presented.*

Weaknesses:

none

Criterion 3 - Implementation

Score: 5.00 (Threshold: 0/5.00 , Weight: 20.00%)

- Quality and effectiveness of the work plan, assessment of risks and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages.
- Quality and capacity of the host institutions and participating organisations, including hosting arrangements.

Strengths:

- The workplan is very effective; the Workpackages (WPs) are developed in detail and are coherent. The Gantt chart is appropriately populated with WP titles, deliverables, milestones, and time for placement.
- The efforts assigned to WPs (including timing and duration of the different WPs) are all very appropriate.
- Research and administrative risks are appropriately considered and the contingency plans are well thought and convincing.
- The quality of hosting arrangements, including integration in the institution and support services available to the researcher, is very good.
- The capacity of all participating organizations, including infrastructure and facilities, is excellent.

Weaknesses:

None



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