



Horizon Europe

MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2021

MSCA-PF

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Postdoctoral Fellowships (MSCA-PF), previously known as Individual Fellowship (MSCA-IF), provides funding opportunities for excellent researchers of any nationality and any research field. The European scholarships referring to a European host organization, provide funding opportunities for researchers in different situations of their career.

In addition to the standard European fellowship, possibilities are provided for researchers wishing to return to science after a break (CAR), researchers reintegrating to Europe (RI) and researchers who wish to carry out the project in a non-academic environment. Furthermore, the Global fellowship option allows a researcher to travel outside of Europe with a mandatory follow-up return phase to Europe.

Support

Tampere University will provide support for incoming and outgoing MSCA-PFs. Applicants will prepare a competitive MSCA-PF proposal together with their supervisors. The University's Research Services will also facilitate a free of charge online Masterclass during spring 2021 which helps applicants to continuously develop their proposal and get valuable feedback. Upon receiving the grant, the incoming fellow will receive further support from both, the supervisor and the International HR Services Team of the People and Culture Unit.

Financial aspects

Gross salary for a successful MSCA-PF candidate will vary between 5300-5800 € per month depending on several factors (specified in the MSCA-PF program and during the orientation period).

Goal - Personal career development!

MSCA-PF aims to enhance the creative and innovative potential of a researcher wishing to acquire new skills through advanced training, international, interdisciplinary and inter-sectoral mobility.



Eligibility

Researchers interested in conducting their research at TAU should verify that they fulfil the respective eligibility criteria:

Standard European Fellowship and Global fellowship

- Bottom up - All domains of research and technological development are eligible for funding!
- PhD - Supported fellows must be postdoctoral researchers at the date of the call deadline, i.e. in possession of a doctoral degree, defined as a successfully defended doctoral thesis, even if the doctoral degree has yet to be awarded.
- At the call deadline, supported researchers must have a maximum of 8 years full-time equivalent experience in research, measured from the date that the researcher was in a possession of a doctoral degree. Years of experience outside research and career breaks (e.g. due to parental leave), will not be taken into account.
- Mobility - The applicant must not have resided or carried out their main activity including work, studies, etc. in the country of the beneficiary (here: Finland), or the host organization for the outgoing phase (for Global Postdoctoral Fellowships) for more than 12 months in the 36 months immediately before the call deadline (between 15.9.2018 -15.9.2021).

Reintegration panel (RI) for returning to MS/AC

- Mobility - The applicant must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) the host country for more than 36 months in the 5 years immediately before the call deadline.
- Nationality - Must be nationals or previous long-term residents (> 5 years) of an EU member state (MS) or associated country (AS).

Career restart panel (CAR)

- Mobility - The applicant must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) the host country for more than 36 months in the 5 years immediately before the call deadline.
- Break - The applicant must not have been active in research for at least 12 months prior to the deadline

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How to get started

Once you have verified that you are eligible to apply for MSCA-PF at TAU, contact your future supervisor (by 15th of April 2021).



For more information join our MSCA-PF info webinar the 10th of March and for any questions contact us directly at preaward@tuni.fi.

Important dates for MSCA application

- MSCA-PF general info Webinar: 10th March 2021 at 10:30-11:30
- Sign up for the MSCA-PF info webinar: <https://forms.gle/iyeKs2cR5fNikWAt8>
- Call opens: 15th April 2021
- Masterclass: April-May 2021
- Proposal submission (tentative) deadline: 15th September 2021

Please note, that the planning of the Horizon Europe programme is still ongoing. There are no final decisions on the MSCA-programme yet, due to this, afore mentioned details about eligibility or the opening and closing dates of the call may change.