

GETTING STARTED

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Objectives:

- Attract and retain research talent in Europe
- Develop state-of-the-art, innovative training schemes, consistent with the requirements of R&I
- Promote sustainable career development in R&I
- Focus on delivering new knowledge and skills
- Back up strong partnership with MS via co-funding mechanism

2018 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

Innovative Training Networks (ITN)

Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes (COFUND)

Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE)

Individual Fellowships (IF)

STRUCTURE

ETN	EID	EJD
at least 3 beneficiaries from 3 different MS or AC	At least 2 beneficiaries established in 2 different MS or AC	At least 3 beneficiaries from different MS or AC which are entitled to award doctoral degrees
	At least 1 beneficiary must come from the academic sector and at least 1 beneficiary must come from non-academic sector, primarily enterprise	Creation of joint doctoral programmes, leading to the delivery of joint, double or multiple doctoral degrees
	Each researcher must be enrolled in a doctoral programme and spent at least 50% in the non-academic sector	
	The joint supervision of fellows by supervisors from each sector is mandatory	
PhD Enrolment	PhD Enrolment	PhD Enrolment
€ 375million	€ 32million	€ 35million
Max. 540person-months	Max. 540person-months	Max. 540person-months
ESRs only		

Minimum Number of Participating Organisations			
Network Status	ETN	EID	EJD
Beneficiary	3	2	3
Partner Organisation	No minimum	No minimum	No minimum

Eligible Countries and their Role in an ITN

For the purposes of ITN, three main categories of countries can be distinguished:

EU Member States (MS)

Associated Countries (AC)

Non-Associated Third Countries (TC)

Marie Skłodowska Curie Action	Researcher unit cost person/month			Institutional unit cost person/month	
	Living Allowance	Mobility Allowance	Family Allowance	Research, Training and Networking costs	Management and Indirect cost
ITN	3270	600	500	1800	1200

ITN 3 MODES

Support for early-stage/doctoral research training through:

- ETN (European Training Networks)
- EID (European Industrial Doctorates)
- EJD (European Joint Doctorates)

Evaluation

Excellence	Impact	Implementation
(50%)	(30%)	(20%)
Weighting		
1	2	3
Priority in case of ex aequo		
Please note that an overall threshold of 70% will be applied to the total weighted score		

The ITN action aims to improve career perspectives of researchers in the first five years of their research career, in both public and private sectors, thereby making research careers more attractive to young people. This will be achieved through a trans-national networking mechanism,

aimed at structuring of the existing high-quality initial research training capacity in Europe.

Timetable of the call

Publication of call: 12 October 2017

Deadline for submission of proposals: 17 January 2018 at 17:00:00, Brussels local time

Evaluation of proposals: March 2018

Information on the outcome of the evaluation: June 2018

Indicative date for the signing of Grant Agreements: September 2018

Award Criteria

Each criterion will be scored out of 5. Decimal points will be given:

0 – Proposal fails to address the criterion or cannot be assessed due to missing or incomplete information.

1 – **Poor** The criterion is inadequately addressed, or there are serious inherent weaknesses.

2 – **Fair** Proposal broadly addresses the criterion, but there are significant weaknesses.

3 – **Good** Proposal addresses the criterion well, but a number of shortcomings are present.

4 – **Very Good** Proposal addresses the criterion very well, but a small number of shortcomings are present.

5 – **Excellent** Proposal successfully addresses all relevant aspects of the criterion. Any shortcomings are minor.