

# **Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions: young researchers' future is a big deal to EU**

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## OVERVIEW OF THE SESSION

- ✓ **The point of view of the EC on MSCA actions:**  
modalities and features of participation, impact,  
available data and statistics
- ✓ **The point of view of a EU Institution on MSCA-  
IF:** efforts to be successful in MSCA-IF and benefits
- ✓ **Your questions**

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feedback forms**

## SPEAKERS

### ✓ **Mario Roccaro**

policy officer at DG EAC since March 2012, mainly in MSC-RISE; Digital and Online Learning (DOL) Working Group (2014-2016); Max Planck Institute Köln (D); PhD in Molecular Biology from the University of Edinburgh (UK)

### ✓ **Laura Paternoster**

Head Research Office-S&T Area, UniTrento (I) since 2013; mainly in support of project-writing (pre-award phase); maternity leave!; International Office 2002-2012 (Head from 2008-2012); Italia-German Chamber of Commerce (D); Degree in Law

## UNIVERSITY OF TRENTO

- ✓ a **young, middle-sized** (~16.000 students), comprehensive University
- ✓ located in Trento (Northern Italy): a small city (~115.000 inhabitants) in an **Alpine area** of an autonomous province
- ✓ good positions in **national and international rankings**:
  - 2016/2017 Censis: UNITN 1<sup>st</sup> among medium-sized Italian universities
  - 2011-2014 ANVUR: UNITN 1st among State Universities
  - THE- Times Higher Education 2016-2012: ranked in the range 251-275

## INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION

- ✓ Strengthening the internationalisation process implementing co-operation in teaching and research with national and international Universities
- ✓ Support research activities aimed at increasing the standards of Departments within the international scientific community and increase Nr of international academic staff
- ✓ Out of 586 'structured' academic staff, 29 are from abroad (4,9%)
- ✓ Every year ~ foreign 80 academic staff (13,6% of structured staff) are hosted as visiting professor

## UNITN STRATEGY

- ✓ Increase the level of attraction of high quality Researchers
- ✓ Develop the actions to liason and connect to international research networks
- ✓ Reinforce the infrastructure services dedicated to EU «individual calls» (i.e. MSC and ERC) for a personalised support to researchers
- ✓ **MSC as a important instrument of the research strategy**

**SOME DATA IN H2020**

Type of action	2014		2015		2016	
	submitted	approved	submitted	approved	submitted	approved
IF-CAR	1	0	1	1	1	1
IF-GLOBAL	7	0	4	0	6	0
IF- RI	3	1	5	4	4	1
IF- ST	15	3	8	1	15	2
<b>Total:</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>4</b>

## ACTIONS TAKEN

- ✓ Call for expression of interest opened in 2013 to all UNITN disciplines
- ✓ Idea: match the ER with the most suitable supervisor at UNITN
- ✓ 30 expressions of interest submitted to UNITN
- ✓ Challenge to involve supervisors
- ✓ Joint efforts: researcher + supervisor + grants' / research office



## ACTIONS TAKEN

- ✓ Call suspended 2014 but still some effects in 2015 and 2016 call (?)
- ✓ Decentralised offices to offer a service close-to the researcher's needs
- ✓ Training sessions with MSCA\_IF evaluators

**Some data: UNITN MSC in FP7**

Type of action	Proposals	
	submitted	approved
<b>CIG</b>	13	6
<b>IEF</b>	14	3
<b>IIF</b>	4	0
<b>IOF</b>	8	5
<b>Total:</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>14</b>

## BENEFITS FOR UNITN

- ✓ Chances to host top-level researchers
- ✓ Funding for new outstanding personnel
- ✓ Contributions from the researcher's previously built network (contacts with other high-profile researchers working at EU and non-EU institutions)
- ✓ Establish collaborations between hosting organizations and partner organizations (i.e. for secondment): channel to establish intersectoral collaboration
- ✓ Future collaboration opportunities after the MSC IF (i.e. through joint projects)

## BENEFITS FOR UNITN

- ✓ Opportunity for career development of researchers within the organization (e.g. re-integration programmes/panels)
- ✓ Reputation, visibility and attractiveness
- ✓ Higher Nr of incoming scholars = higher national ranking = higher funding
- ✓ ...and some «burden»: discouragement by applicants and host institutions for success rate

## BENEFITS FOR THE FELLOW

- ✓ Input from high-profile research groups and institution (host institution)
- ✓ Financial Independence
- ✓ Significant boost for one's career from two sources:
  - being awarded an MSC IF is in itself very prestigious;
  - valuable experience and networking opportunities



## CONTACTS

**THANK YOU FOR  
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# Marie Skłodowska- Curie Actions

## A success story of 20 years

Mario Rocco  
European Commission  
Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture

20 Years of MSCA: Past, Present and Future  
La Valletta 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017

# Outline

**Why this name?**

**The history of the MSCA**

**The MSCA today**

**MSCA Statistics**

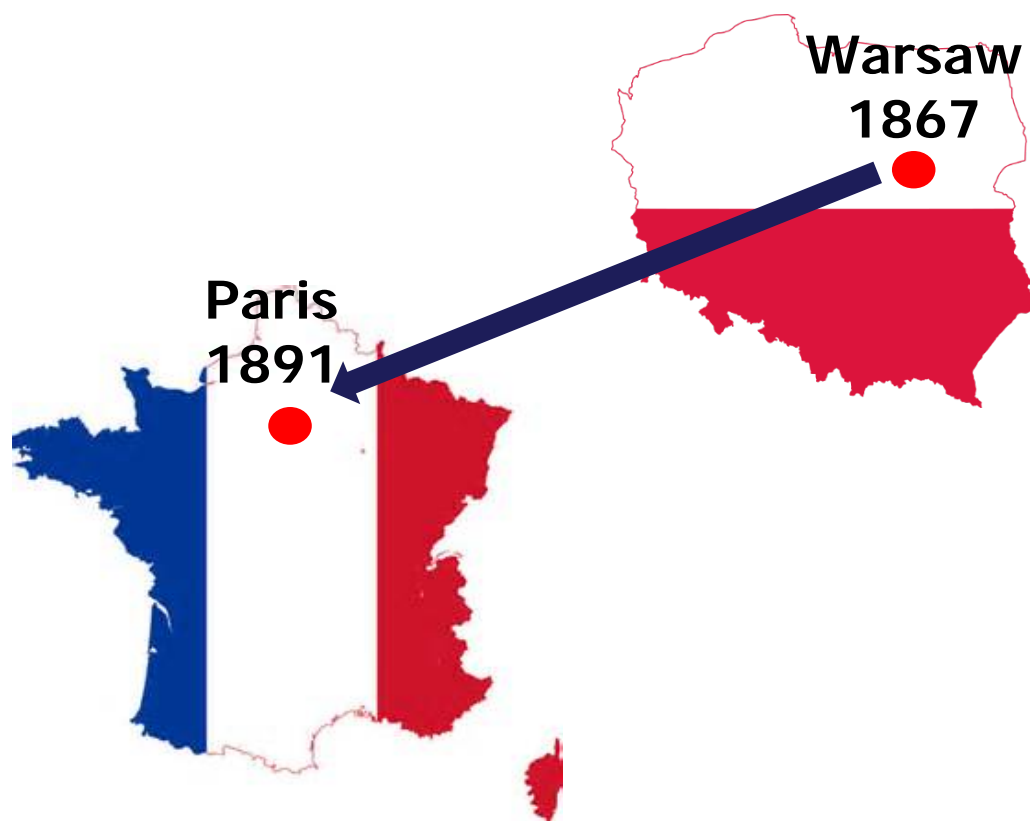
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*Pierre and Marie (Skłodowska-)Curie  
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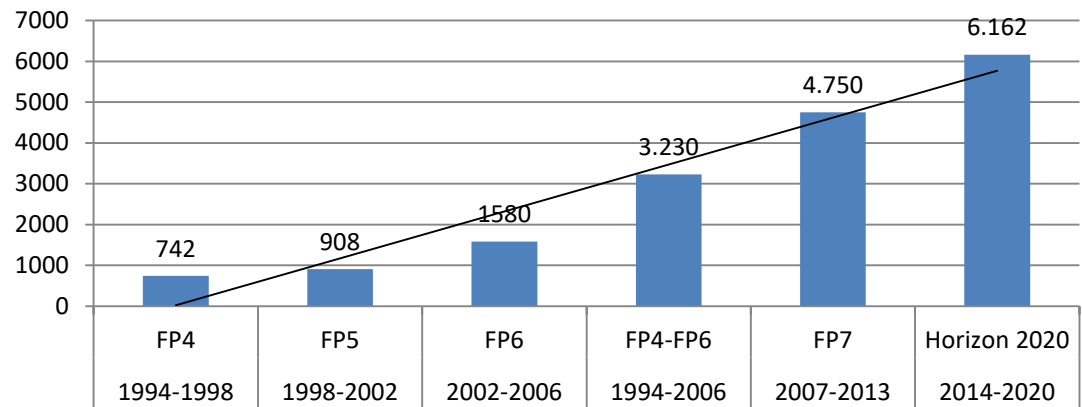
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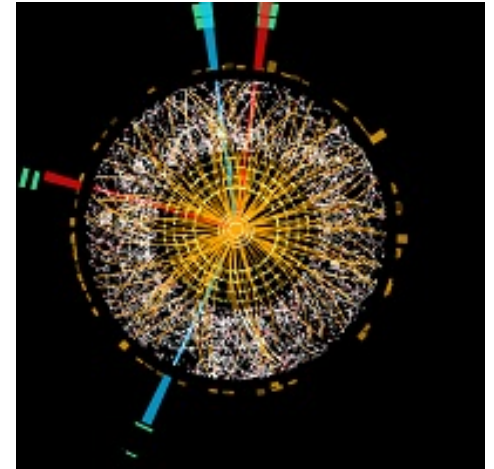
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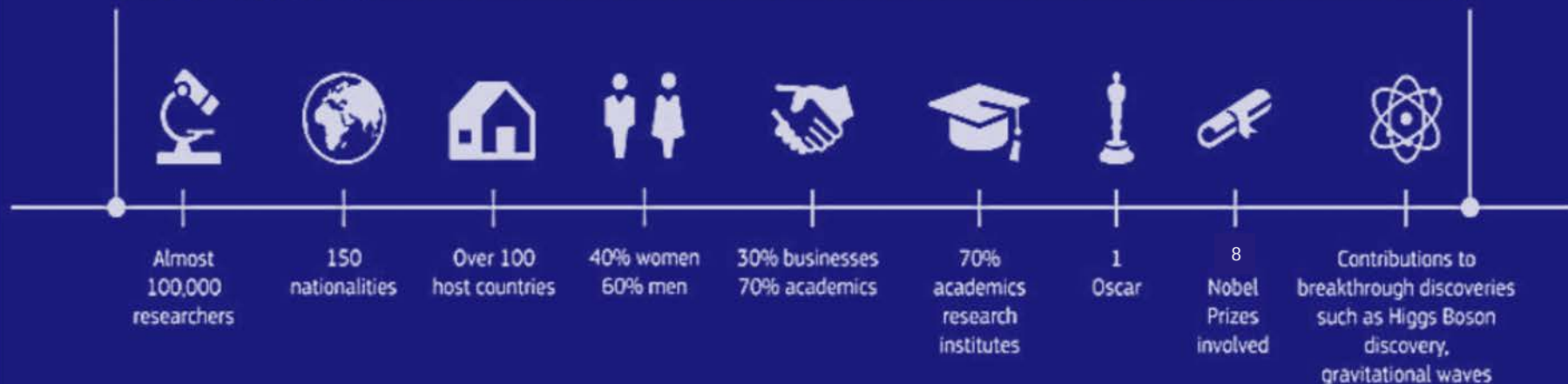


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# MSCA

**Innovative Training Networks - ITN**

**Individual Fellowships - IF**

**Research and Innovation Staff Exchange - RISE**

**COFUND**

**European Researchers' Night**

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**2014-2020**



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- Promotion of attractive **working and employment conditions**
- **3000**: **O**pen Innovation, **O**pen Science and **O**pen to the World



# Opportunities



**Attract young talent AND experienced researchers**

**Access state-of-the-art  
facilities of academic  
partners**

**Innovate with  
reduced investment  
risks**

**MSCA can fund  
**YOUR**  
research and innovation  
for **YOUR** needs**

**Globalise your  
R&I  
networking**



**Diversify  
partnerships**



**Exploit new  
synergies**



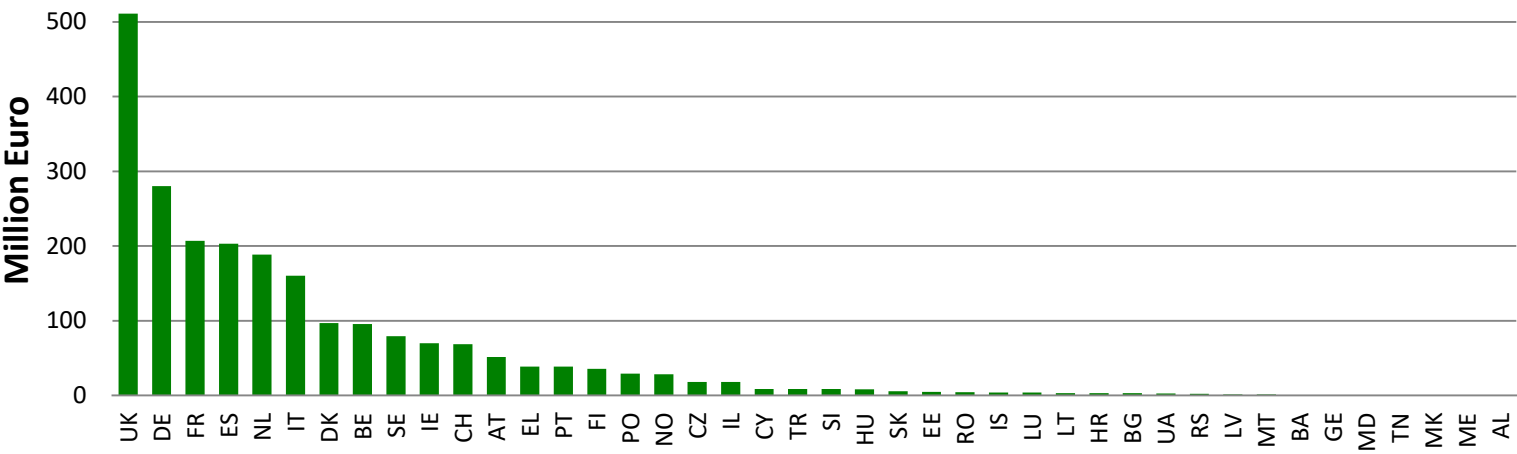
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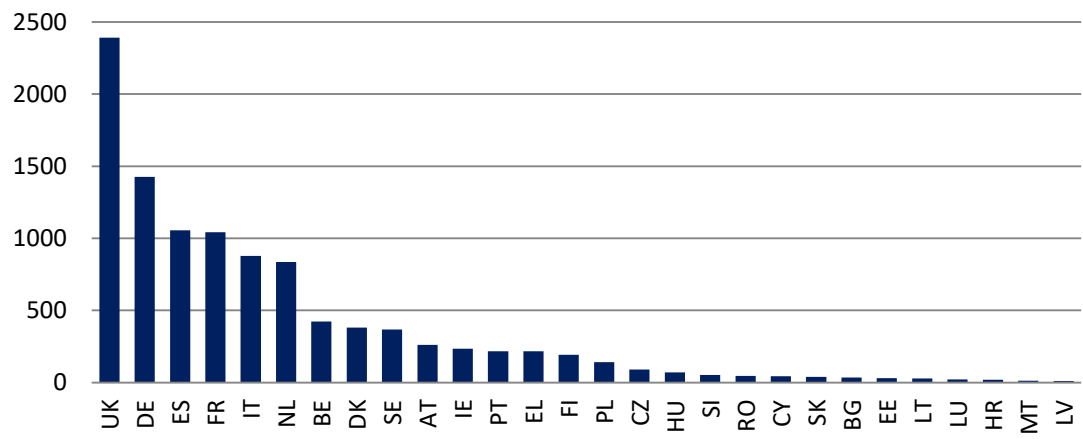
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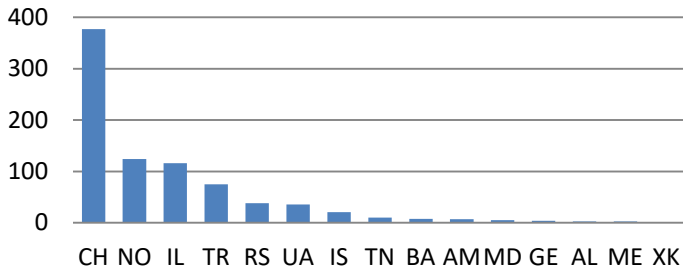
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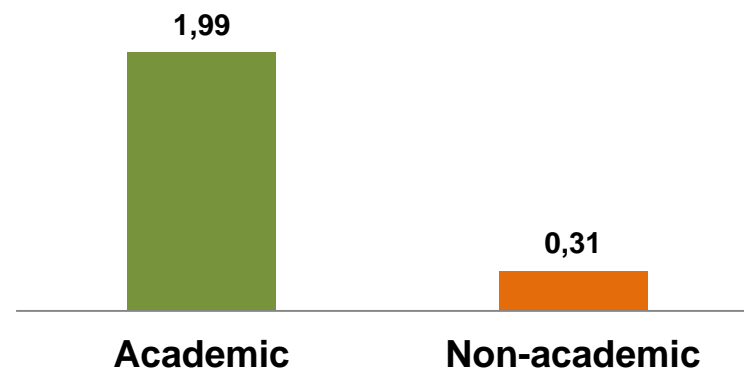




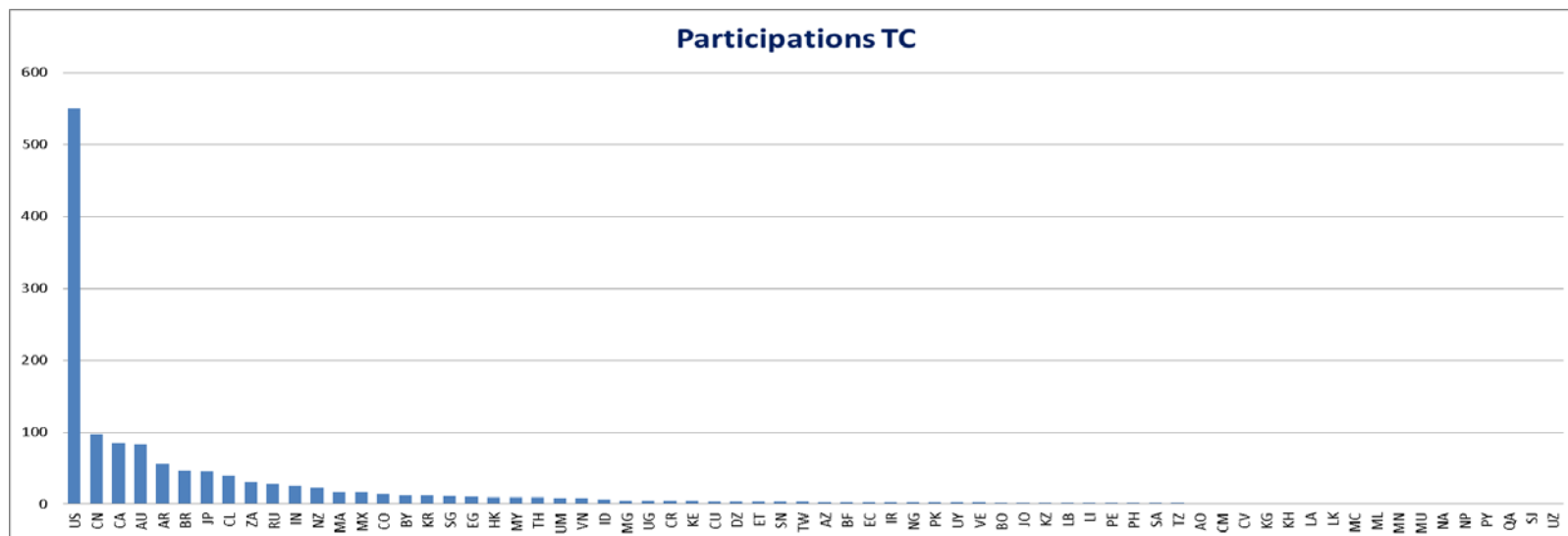
# MSCA Statistics

Actions	Participations	Projects
MSCA-COFUND	563	58
MSCA-IF	3860	3481
MSCA-ITN	5469	396
MSCA-RISE	2447	265
NIGHT	399	89
<b>Total:</b>	<b>12734</b>	<b>4289</b>

## Budget distribution



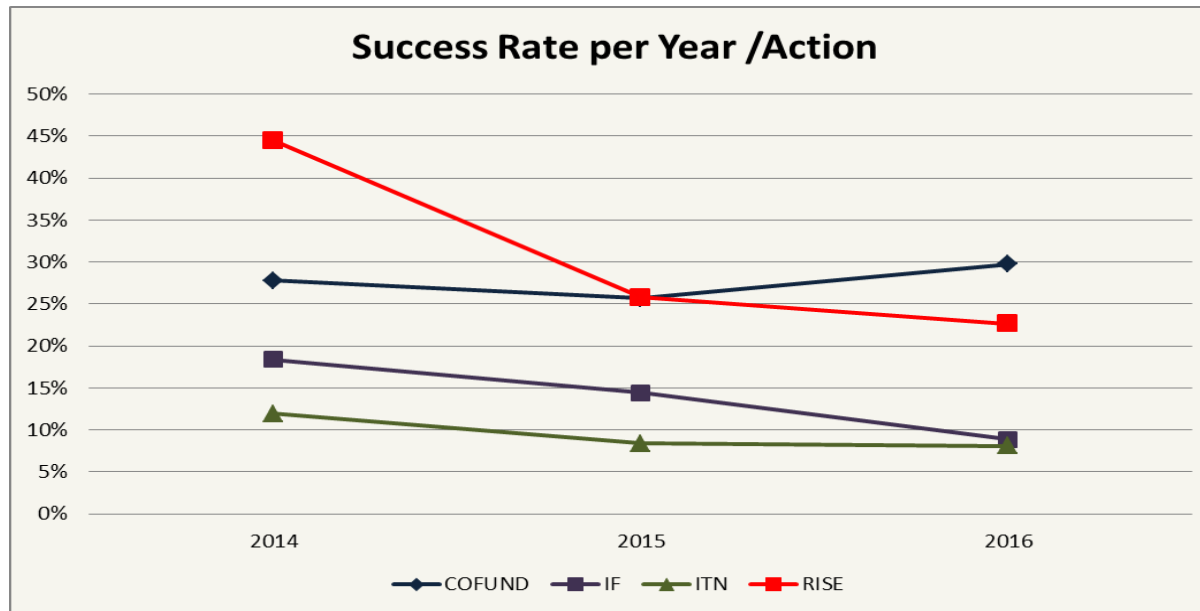
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# Success Rate

The 'success' of MSCA means that **success rates continue to decline** since 2014:

	All countries
MSCA-ITN	9.3%
MSCA-IF	13.6%
MSCA-COFUND	27.7%
MSCA-RISE	28.6%



# Achievements in H2020 MSCA

Large body of evidence indicating a positive impact on individuals, organisations and at the system level

**25% of fellows have been nationals of countries outside** either the EU or the 16 Associated Countries of Horizon 2020

Almost **5000 organisations from 112 countries** have participated so far

More than **EUR 300 million** has been awarded to organisations **outside academia**

Up to **1321 companies, including 646 SMEs**, have received funding, principally in the **pharmaceutical, electronics, chemicals, and software** sectors

**more than 40% of fellowships awarded to female scientists**, are the best performing part of Horizon 2020 with respect to gender

Highest **Number of Peer-Reviewed Publications** across the H2020 actions

Participations in MSCA account for **more than half** of all participations of **third countries** in Horizon 2020



# Achievements in H2020 MSCA

- Overall **satisfaction** among MSCA fellows
- Around **25%** felt the fellowship had **exceeded their expectations** while **55%** said that it had met them.
- Simplification welcomed, in particular **unit cost approach**
- REA management efficient, e.g., **time-to-grant fallen**
- Problem **oversubscription**
  - **30%** budget **increase** for MSCA under H2020 but oversubscription has **doubled** since FP7
  - situation acute for **ITN** where success rate is 8%
  - a huge loss of talent with **80%** of all **high-quality** MSCA proposals **not** currently funded
- Strong support for **interdisciplinary** research
  - **69%** of fellows involved in projects with businesses are doing interdisciplinary research compared to **36%** of fellows with projects that have no business organisation involved.
  - **Estimated 30%** of MSCA proposals in IF deemed to have included multidisciplinary research



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# MSCA Calls 2017



## ITN

### Innovative Training Networks

#### What does it offer?

High-quality research training delivered through interdisciplinary networks, industrial doctorates or joint doctorates.

#### Who applies?

International networks of research organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors

#### Who is funded?

Researchers at doctoral level (less than 4 years of full-time research experience and no doctoral degree)

#### Call details: next WP



## IF

### Individual Fellowships

#### What does it offer?

Opportunities to work on personal research projects by moving between countries and possible sectors to acquire new skills.

#### Who applies?

Individual researchers together with the host organisations

#### Who is funded?

Postdoctoral researchers

#### Call details:

Opens: 11 April 2017  
Closes: 14 September 2017  
at 17:00:00 Brussels time  
Budget: 248M€



## RISE

### Research & Innovation Staff Exchange

#### What does it offer?

The exchanges of staff members involved in research and innovation to develop sustainable collaborative projects and the transfer of knowledge.

#### Who applies?

International networks of research organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors

#### Who is funded?

Researchers, technical administrative and managerial staff of any nationality and at all career levels

#### Call details: next WP



## COFUND

### Co-Funding of Regional, National & International Programmes

#### What does it offer?

Regional national or international programmes to foster excellence in training mobility and career development of researchers

#### Who applies?

Organisations funding or managing doctoral or fellowships programmes

#### Who is funded?

Researchers at doctoral and postdoctoral level

#### Call details:

Opens: 5 April 2017  
Closes: 28 September 2017  
at 17:00:00 Brussels time  
Budget: 80M€

# The MSCA in the future

# Fully exploiting the MSCA

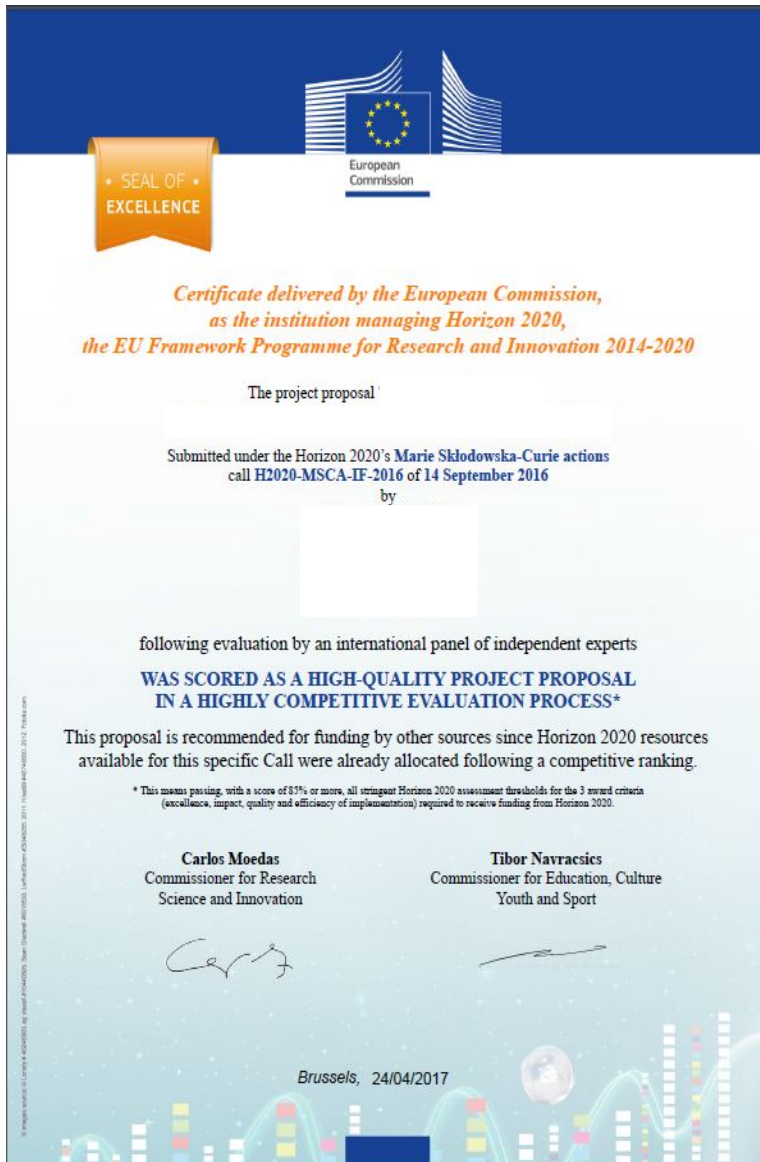
Making the **MSCA approach the norm** across Europe:

- Through the MSCA **we set a benchmark** for how to keep, attract and develop the best research talent
- The **benefits to employers of investing** in high-quality career development practices have been proven by the outcomes of the MSCA
- EUA *Taking Salzburg Forward*, 2016: **greater numbers of PhD candidates should benefit** from the institutional structures developed for doctoral education in recent years

# Seal of Excellence

Certificate for highly-scored applicants to MSCA Individual Fellowships (IF), who the call budget was unable to fund

- To be sent soon to qualifying applicants to the IF 2016 call for proposals
- Creating a webpage where national funding opportunities for holders of the Seal will be placed
- Voluntary instrument, entirely up to national funders to use it or not
- Encourage use of regional, national or Structural Funds (e.g. CZ and CY)







# Next step: adoption of the 2018-2020 WP expected in October 2017

- **Possible Impact** on ITN 2018 call opening and deadline
- **Part-time** option for ER in IF on pilot basis
- **European Joint Doctorates**: At least **2/3** of the supported **ESR** must be enrolled in a joint, double or multiple degree within Europe
- **RI** (extended scope) and **CAR** panels **strengthened** (more budget) and longer duration for CAR (up to 3 years)
- **Global Fellowships** - possibility to spend time at the European beneficiary before the outgoing mobility foreseen
- **RISE** – less strict eligibility criteria for secondments
- **Teaching** will be highlighted
- **Increase budget** for ITN to counter low success rate
- **Increase budget** for IF to strengthen GF, CAR, RI, while preventing a drop in the success rates of standard EF



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# Slovak Presidency Declaration of Young Researchers

## Calls for:

- Sustainable funding schemes for junior researchers
- More explicit criteria for career progression
- More opportunities for non-traditional career paths that include work outside academia
- Reinforce the EU support available for this group
- Foster mobility for excellence, but also close the research divide between Member States/regions
- Researchers will need digital and entrepreneurial skills
- Wider uptake of EU Principles for Innovative Doctoral Training
- European networking and showcasing of the best early-stage researchers

<http://www.eu2016.sk/data/documents/bratislava-declaration-of-young-researchers-final.pdf>

[http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/meetings/compet/2016/11/st14301\\_en16.pdf/](http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/meetings/compet/2016/11/st14301_en16.pdf/)



# MSCA post-H2020

- **EUR 6.16 billion** under H2020 supports **65 000** researchers using **four main actions**
- **Budget under FP9** dependent on so many factors
- Will it be necessary or feasible to offer the **current range of opportunities?**
- **Mid-term evaluation** of H2020 ongoing, including MSCA:
  - It will assess progress and help prepare the ground for FP9
  - Supported by a high-Level Group chaired by Pascal Lamy
  - Commission Communication autumn 2017



# More information

Marie Skłodowska-Curie website

<http://ec.europa.eu/msca>

Horizon2020

<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020>

Participant Portal (calls, online application, documents, FAQ, NCPs)

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal>

Euraxess (jobs, rights, services, etc.)

<http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/>

European Charter for Researchers

<http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/index.cfm/rights/whatIsAResearcher>

How to find partners

<https://cordis.europa.eu/partners/web/guest>

MSCA on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/Marie.Curie.Actions>

MSCA on Twitter

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# Questions?

## **H2020 Help desk**

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=enquiries>

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/faq.html>

## **National Contact Points**

[http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national\\_contact\\_points.html](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national_contact_points.html)

## **Marie Curie Alumni Association**

<https://www.mariecuriealumni.eu/>

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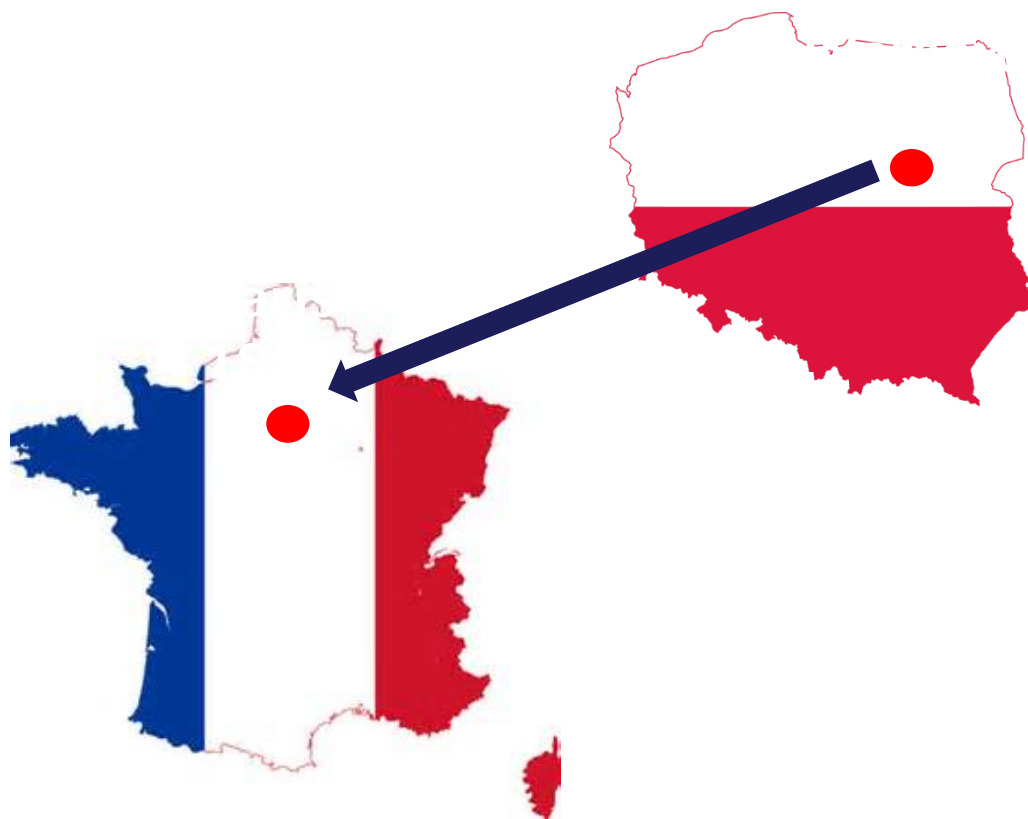
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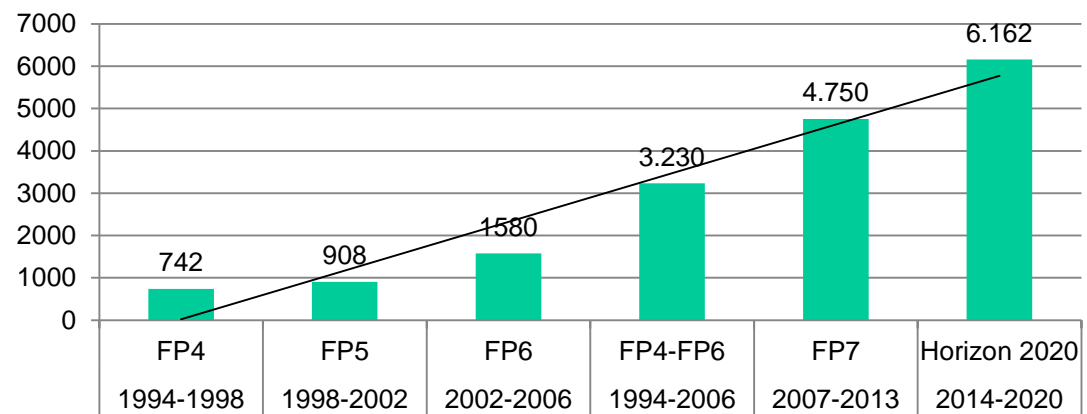
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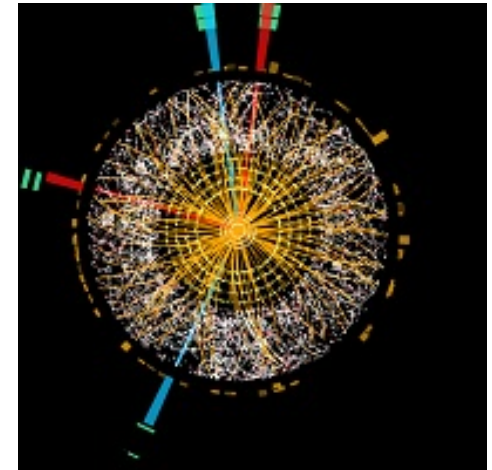
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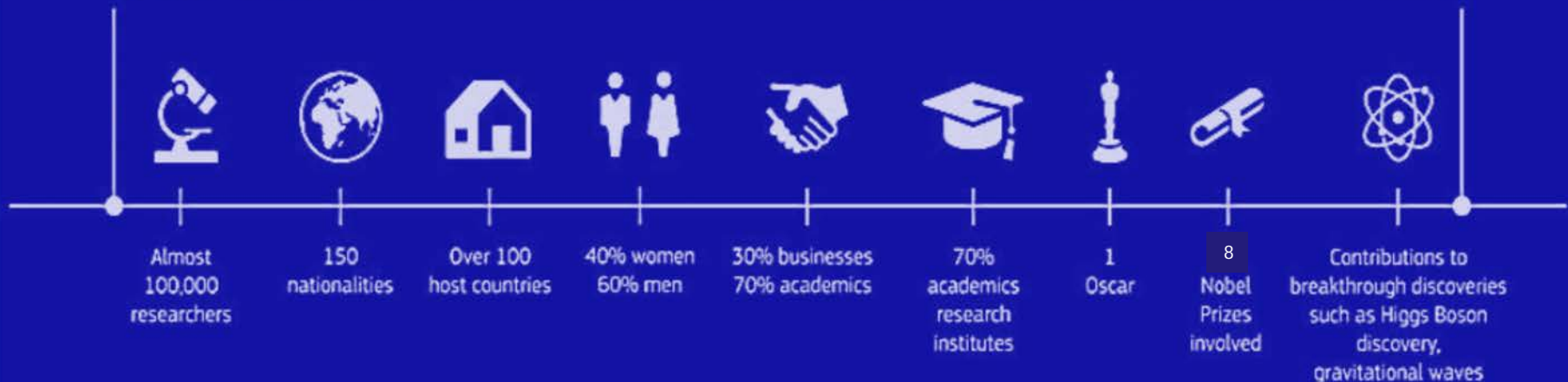
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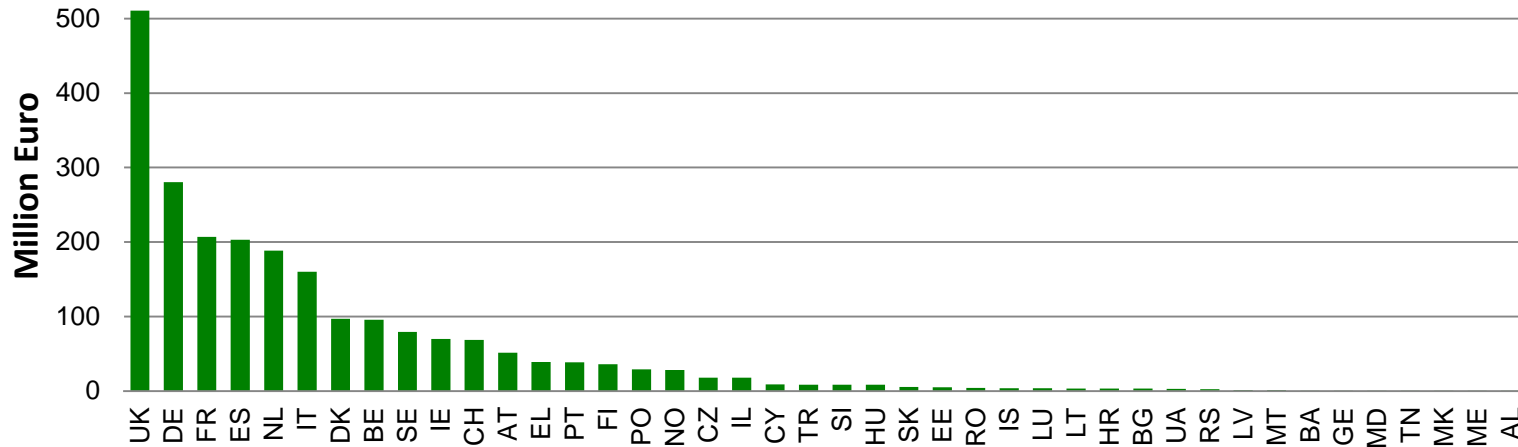


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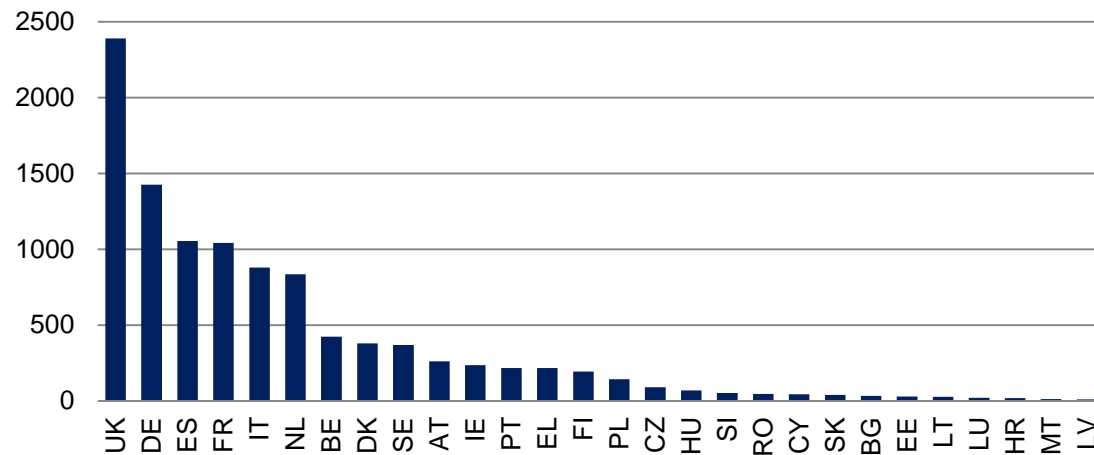


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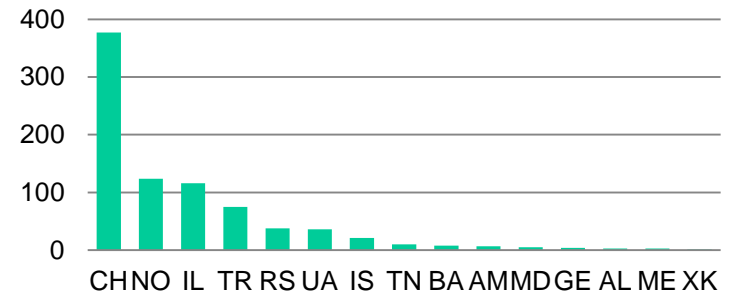
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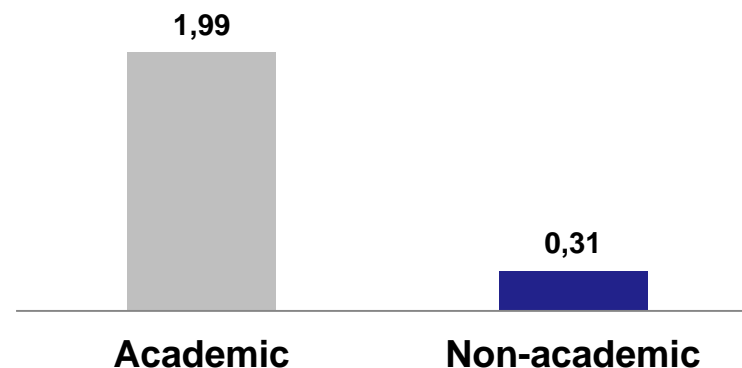


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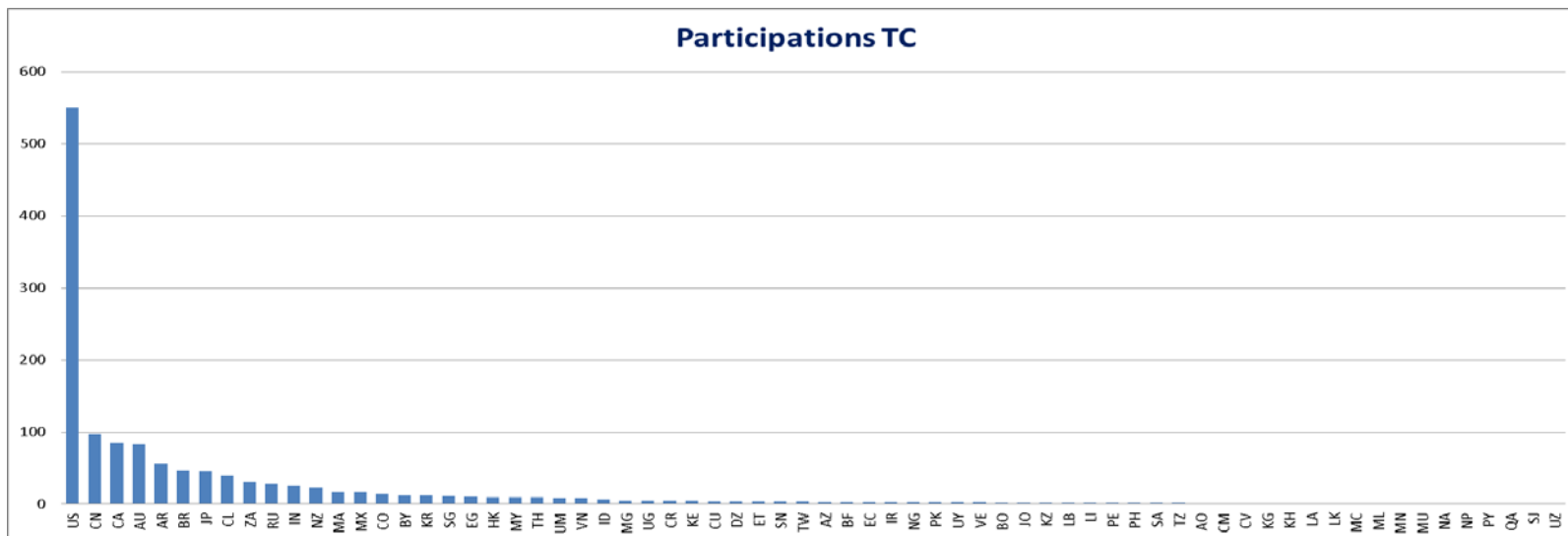
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<b>Total:</b>	<b>12734</b>	<b>4289</b>

## Budget distribution



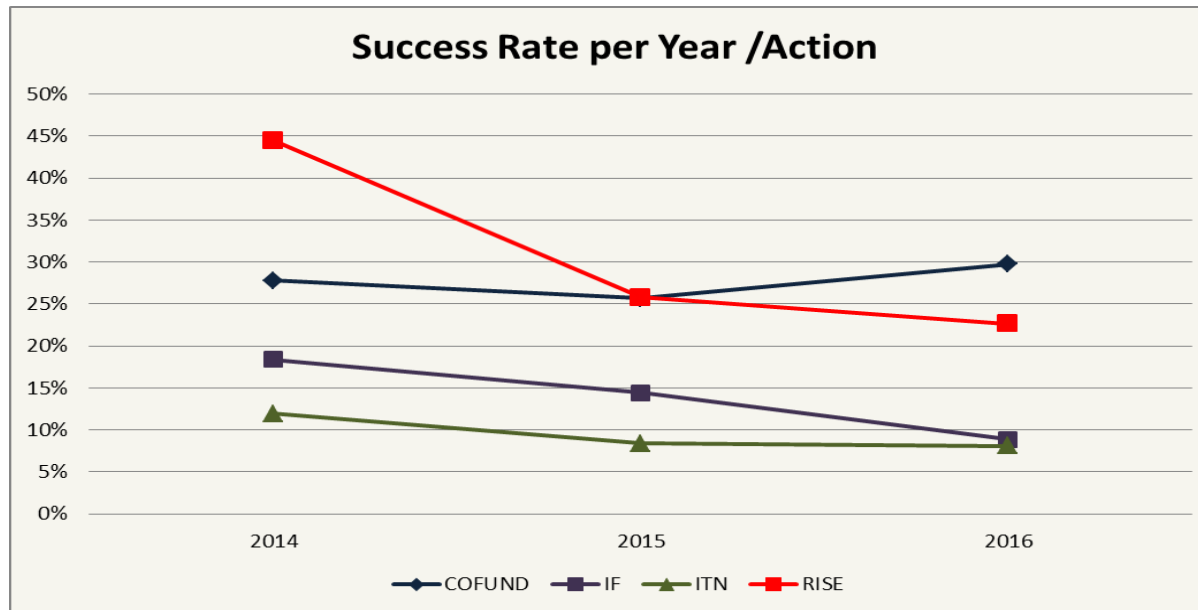
## Participations TC





The 'success' of MSCA means that **success rates continue to decline** since 2014:

	All countries
MSCA-ITN	9.3%
MSCA-IF	13.6%
MSCA-COFUND	27.7%
MSCA-RISE	28.6%



# Achievements in H2020 MSCA



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- **25% of fellows have been nationals of countries outside** either the EU or the 16 Associated Countries of Horizon 2020
- Almost **5000 organisations from 112 countries** have participated
- More than **EUR 300 million** has been awarded to organisations **outside academia**
- Up to **1321 companies, including 646 SMEs**, have received funding, principally in the **pharmaceutical, electronics, chemicals, and software** sectors
- **more than 40% of fellowships awarded to female scientists**, are the best performing part of Horizon 2020 with respect to gender
- Highest **Number of Peer-Reviewed Publications** across the H2020 actions
- Participations in MSCA account for **more than half** of all participations of **third countries** in Horizon 2020



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## ITN

### Innovative Training Networks

#### What does it offer?

High-quality research training delivered through interdisciplinary networks, industrial doctorates or joint doctorates.

#### Who applies?

International networks of research organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors

#### Who is funded?

Researchers at doctoral level (less than 4 years of full-time research experience and no doctoral degree)

#### Call details: next WP



## IF

### Individual Fellowships

#### What does it offer?

Opportunities to work on personal research projects by moving between countries and possible sectors to acquire new skills.

#### Who applies?

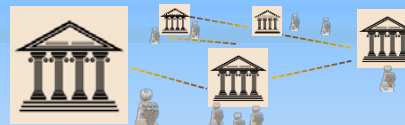
Individual researchers together with the host organisations

#### Who is funded?

Postdoctoral researchers

#### Call details:

Opens: 11 April 2017  
Closes: 14 September 2017  
at 17:00:00 Brussels time Budget:  
248M€



## RISE

### Research & Innovation Staff Exchange

#### What does it offer?

The exchanges of staff members involved in research and innovation to develop sustainable collaborative projects and the transfer of knowledge.

#### Who applies?

International networks of research organisations from the academic and non-academic sectors

#### Who is funded?

Researchers, technical administrative and managerial staff of any nationality and at all career levels

#### Call details: next WP



## COFUND

### Co-Funding of Regional, National & International Programmes

#### What does it offer?

Regional national or international programmes to foster excellence in training mobility and career development of researchers

#### Who applies?

Organisations funding or managing doctoral or fellowships programmes

#### Who is funded?

Researchers at doctoral and postdoctoral level

#### Call details:

Opens: 5 April 2017  
Closes: 28 September 2017  
at 17:00:00 Brussels time Budget:  
80M€

# The MSCA in the future

Making the **MSCA approach the norm** across Europe:

- Through the MSCA **we set a benchmark** for how to keep, attract and develop the best research talent
- The **benefits to employers of investing** in high-quality career development practices have been proven by the outcomes of the MSCA
- EUA *Taking Salzburg Forward*, 2016: **greater numbers of PhD candidates should benefit** from the institutional structures developed for doctoral education in recent years



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**Certificate for highly-scored applicants to MSCA Individual Fellowships (IF), who the call budget was unable to fund**

- **To be sent soon to qualifying applicants to the IF 2016 call for proposals**
- **Creating a webpage where national funding opportunities for holders of the Seal will be placed**
- **Voluntary instrument, entirely up to national funders to use it or not**
- **Encourage use of regional, national or Structural Funds (e.g. CZ and CY)**

# Next step: adoption of the 2018-2020 WP expected in October 2017



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- **Possible Impact** on ITN 2018 call opening and deadline
- **Part-time** option for ER in IF on pilot basis
- **European Joint Doctorates**: At least **2/3** of the supported **ESR** must be enrolled in a joint, double or multiple degree within Europe
- **RI** (extended scope) and **CAR** panels **strengthened** (more budget) and longer duration for CAR (up to 3 years)
- **Global Fellowships** - possibility to spend time at the European beneficiary before the outgoing mobility foreseen
- **RISE** – less strict eligibility criteria for secondments
- **Teaching** will be highlighted
- **Increase budget** for ITN to counter low success rate
- **Increase budget** for IF to strengthen GF, CAR, RI, while preventing a drop in the success rates of standard EF



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# Slovak Presidency Declaration of Young Researchers

## Calls for:

- Sustainable funding schemes for junior researchers
- More explicit criteria for career progression
- More opportunities for non-traditional career paths that include work outside academia
- Reinforce the EU support available for this group
- Foster mobility for excellence, but also close the research divide between Member States/regions
- Researchers will need digital and entrepreneurial skills
- Wider uptake of EU Principles for Innovative Doctoral Training
- European networking and showcasing of the best early-stage researchers

<http://www.eu2016.sk/data/documents/bratislava-declaration-of-young-researchers-final.pdf>

<http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/meetings/compet/2016/11/st14301>



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# MSCA post-H2020

- **EUR 6.16 billion** under H2020 supports **65 000** researchers using **four main actions**
- **Budget under FP9** dependent on so many factors
- Will it be necessary or feasible to offer the **current range of opportunities**?
- **Mid-term evaluation** of H2020 ongoing, including MSCA:
  - It will assess progress and help prepare the ground for FP9
  - Supported by a high-Level Group chaired by Pascal Lamy
  - Commission Communication autumn 2017



# More information

**Marie Skłodowska-Curie website**

<http://ec.europa.eu/msca>

**Horizon2020**

<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/horizon2020>

**Participant Portal (calls, online application, documents, FAQ, NCPs)**

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal>

**Euraxess (jobs, rights, services, etc.)**

<http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/>

**European Charter for Researchers**

<http://ec.europa.eu/euraxess/index.cfm/rights/whatIsAResearcher>

**How to find partners**

<https://cordis.europa.eu/partners/web/guest>

**MSCA on Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/Marie.Curie.Actions>

**MSCA on Twitter**

**@MSCactions**



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# Questions?

## **H2020 Help desk**

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=enquiries>

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/faq.html>

## **National Contact Points**

[http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national\\_contact\\_points.html](http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national_contact_points.html)

## **Marie Curie Alumni Association**

<https://www.mariecuriealumni.eu/>

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