# Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

## Staff Exchanges

(June 2021)

### Aims

- International, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary collaboration through research and innovation staff exchanges

### Eligibility

- Networks of universities, research institutions and non-academic partners as well as enterprises (including SME)

### Requirements

- Participants shall be established in at least three different countries of which at least two must be EU Member States (MS) or Associated Countries (AC). Above this minimum, the participation of any other Third Country is possible.
- If all participants are from the same sector, at least one participant must be from a Third Country.
- Secondments may be split into several stays not exceeding the maximum of 12 months. No secondments between institutions located in Third Countries or within the same MS/AC can be supported.
- Staff members shall be actively engaged in or linked to research and/or innovation activities for at least one month at the sending institution.
- Secondments within EU MS or AC should be between different sectors. Exchanges in the same sector are possible under the condition that they are interdisciplinary and do not exceed 1/3 of the total months spent under the action; exchanges with institutions from Third Countries can be intersectoral as well as in the same sector.
- After the secondment the exchanged staff members should return to the sending institution.

### Funding

- Funding for a duration of 1 – 12 months of staff secondments
- Top-up allowance, funding for research costs, training, networking activities and coordination as well as for management and overheads.

### Duration

- Funding of max. 360 person months for up to 4 years

### Submission

- Annual publication of calls; electronic submission of proposals

### Evaluation

- The applications are reviewed by experts in one of eight scientific panels with regard to "Excellence", "Impact" and "Implementation"

### Call for proposals

- Publication: 07 October 2021
- Deadline: 09 March 2022, 17:00 CET Brussels time

### Further information

- EU Commission: [https://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/](https://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/)
- National Contact Point: [www.eubuero.de/msc.htm](http://www.eubuero.de/msc.htm)

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