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Developing talents, advancing research

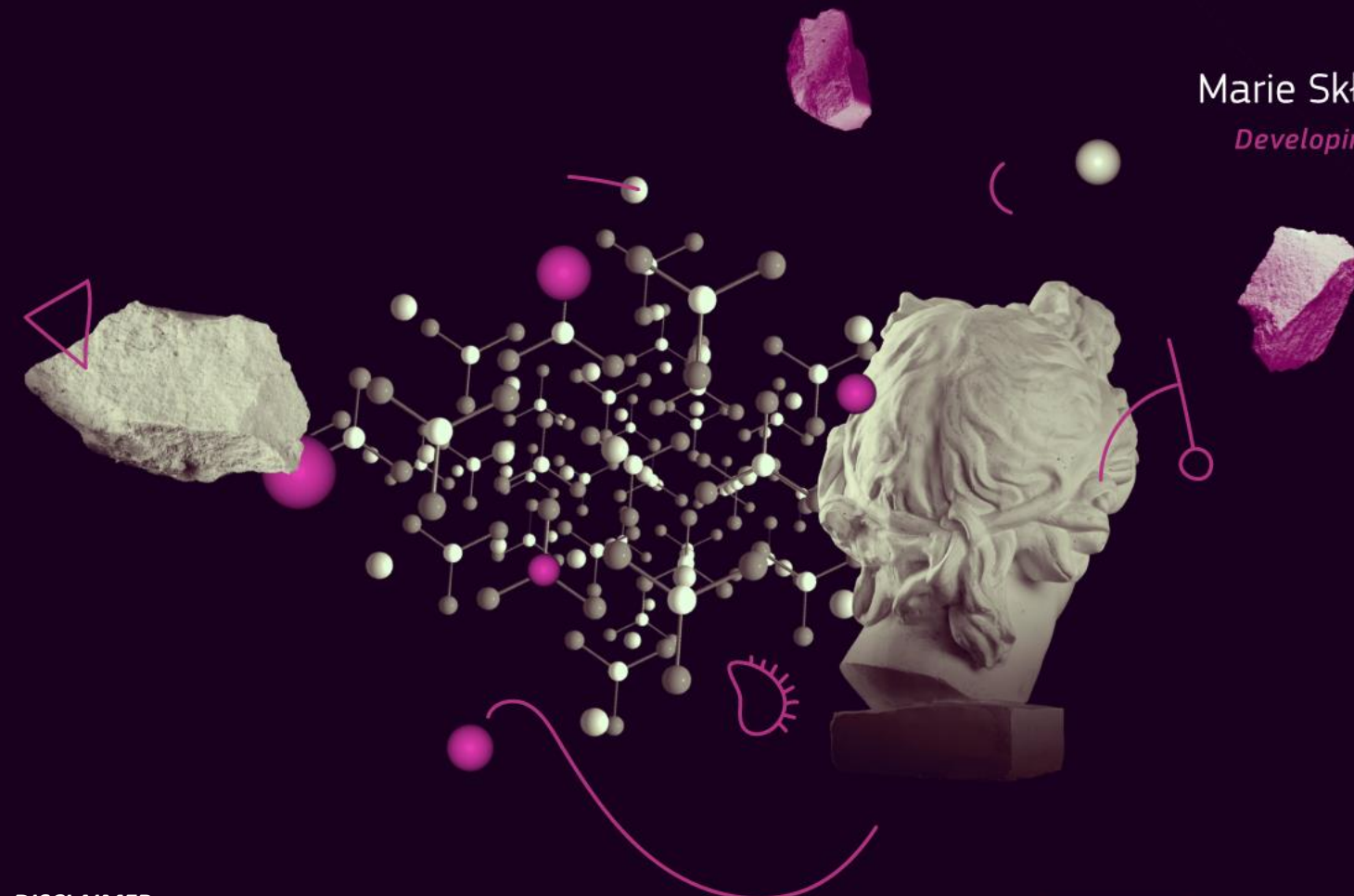


Other opportunities under MSCA 2025 calls

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MSCA: A world reference for research and training



Researchers' training, skills and career development (all stage of career)



Excellent research in all domains (bottom-up approach)



International, cross-sectoral & interdisciplinary mobility



Attractive working and employment conditions



Structuring impact on organisations through excellent programmes



Strong collaboration with industry and SMEs



Key figures (2014-2020)

+65,000

Researchers,
including 25,000
PhD candidates

50 % of all third
countries' participations
in H2020

~40% of researchers
from outside of the EU

42%

Female
researchers

+1,000

Doctoral
programmes

Over 5000

Companies
supported

6.5 billion €

Under Horizon
2020

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MSCA Staff Exchanges (SE)

Main Objective

"Promote innovative international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary collaboration in research and innovation through exchanging staff and sharing knowledge and ideas at all stages of the innovation chain"

Budget (SE-2025): EUR 97.71 million (TBC, pre-published WP available [here](#))

Call opening : 27 March 2025

Call deadline: 8 October 2025

What is Staff Exchanges?



Research & Innovation **mobility** action



It equips researchers and organisations **worldwide** with advanced skills and cutting knowledge



It fosters mobility of entities from both the **academic** and **private** sectors



Can be combined with other programmes (**synergy**)

Objectives



International,
inter-sectoral
and
interdisciplinary
mobility of R&I
staff
(secondments)



Knowledge
transfer between
participating
organisations



Collaboration
between the
academic and
non-academic
sectors
(including SMEs)



Cooperation
across the globe

MSCA Staff Exchanges : Expected impact

- Increase **international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary mobility** of research staff within Europe and beyond through collaborative research networks and activities;
- **Strengthen the R&I human capital base** in Europe and beyond;
- Increase **Europe's attractiveness** as a leading destination for R&I;
- Contribute to **Europe's competitiveness** and growth through high-quality R&I;
- Foster the culture of **open science, innovation and entrepreneurship**.

MSCA SE 2025: Expected outcomes

Staff members



Transferable
skills &
competences



Employability
& career
prospects



Ideas
converted into
products,
processes &
services



International
exposure



Networking &
communication

Organisations



Transfer of
knowledge



Collaborative
networks



R&I capacity

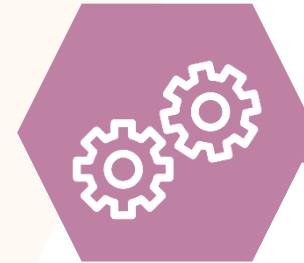


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Who can participate in MSCA-SE projects?

Consortium of min. **3 legal entities** in **3 different countries**, 2 of which in a different EU Member State or HE Associated Country

Academic sector



Non-academic sector

Eligible SE research consortia (for min of 3 entities)

If all 3 entities are **European (MS/AC)**, one should be **from a different sector**



If all 3 entities from **same sector (e.g. academic)** one must be **located outside Europe**



Eligible staff



Seconded staff members



Any type of staff involved in R&I activities (researchers, administrative staff, managerial staff, technical staff)

Researchers at any career stage (e.g. from doctoral candidates to postdoctoral researchers)

Actively engaged in research and/or innovation activities for at least **1 month** prior at the sending institution

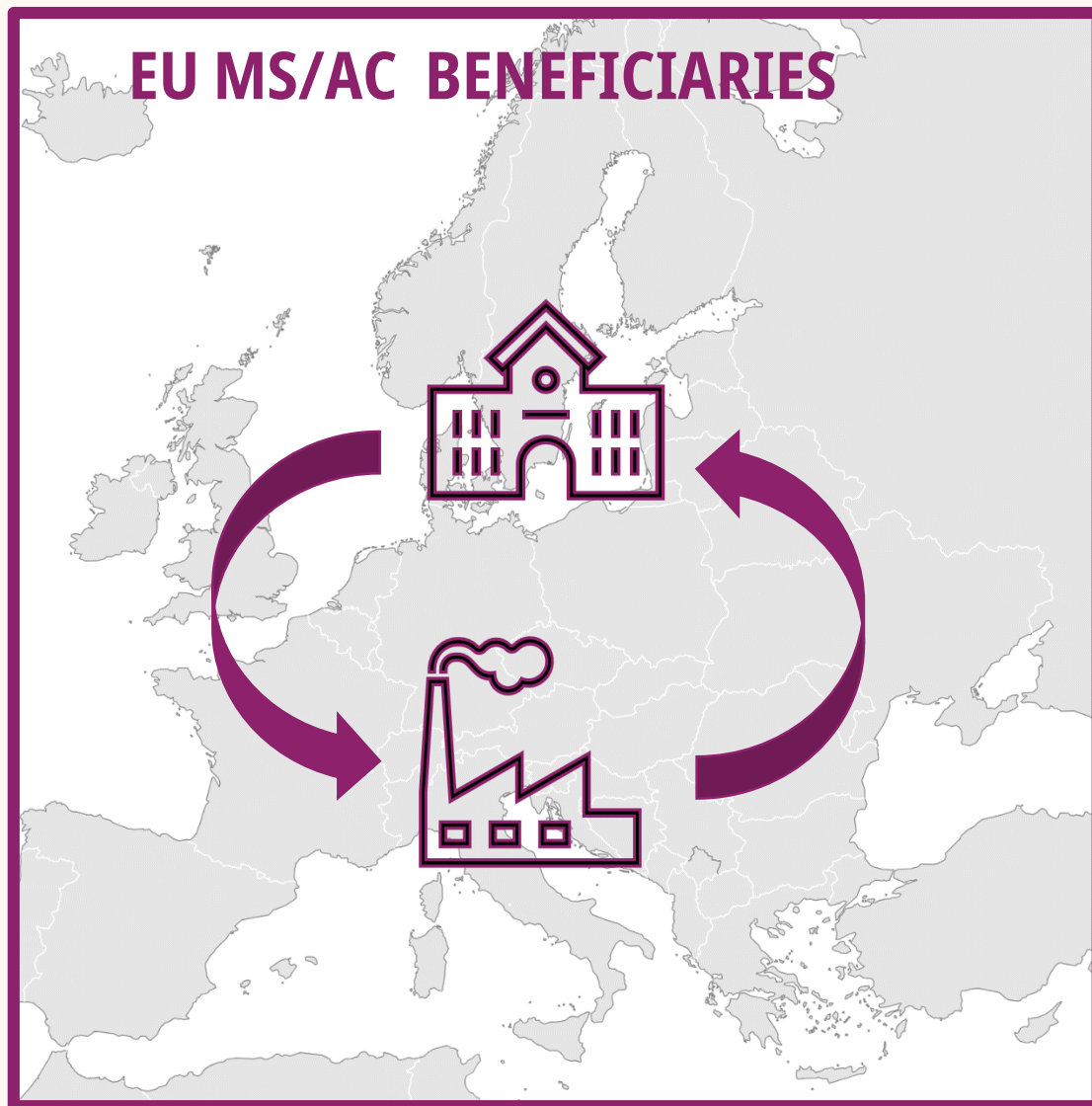
Each staff member is seconded for a period of **1 to 12 months** (may be split into several stays)

Staff needs to be devoted **full-time** to the action during the secondment

After the secondment, staff should **return to their sending institution**



Eligible secondments in Europe & AC



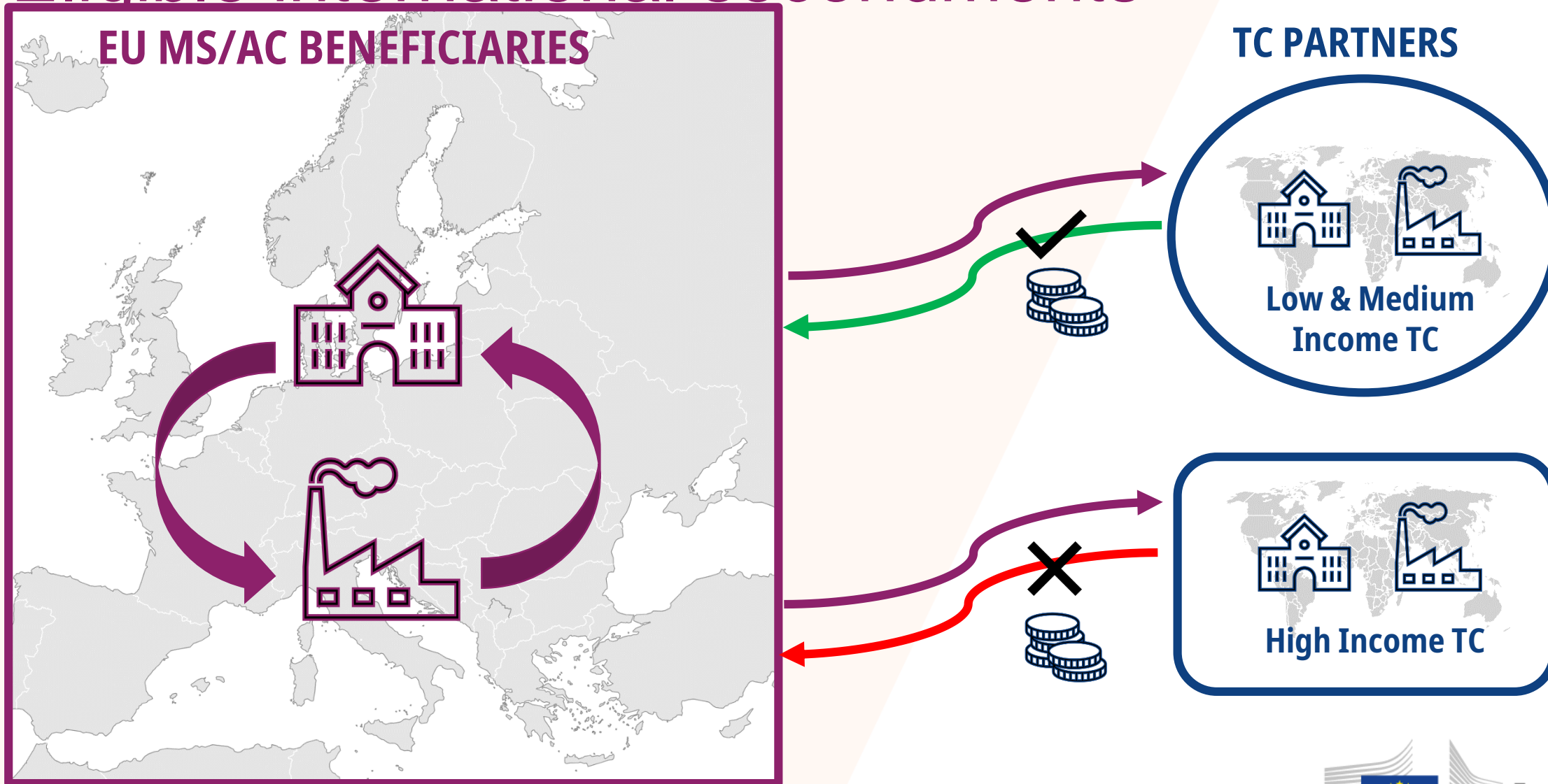
**<1/3, if
interdisciplinary**

Same-sector secondments in Europe (MS/AC)

- $\leq 1/3$ of the total secondments funded by the EU, if considered **interdisciplinary**
- Interdisciplinary secondments integrate aspects from two or more different scientific disciplines
- Important: scientific panels + descriptors/MSCA keywords from proposal form part A (see [REA Website](#))



Eligible international secondments



What does Staff Exchanges fund?



Budget of SE project based on the Nr of planned secondments

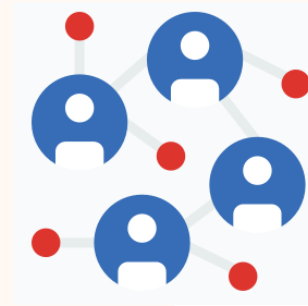
Key features



BOTTOM UP
with different
scientific panels

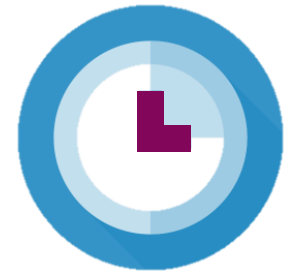


TOP UP ALLOWANCE
5010 €:
2710 € - staff allowance
2300 € - organisation



SECONDMENTS
1-12 months per staff

- Interdisciplinary
- Intersectoral
- International



DURATION
4 years
Max 360 person-
months per project

Staff Exchanges - making a difference



WORLD-WIDE

The highest participation of non-EU countries in MSCA



BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

Businesses receive an estimated 30% of the available funding



PATENTS

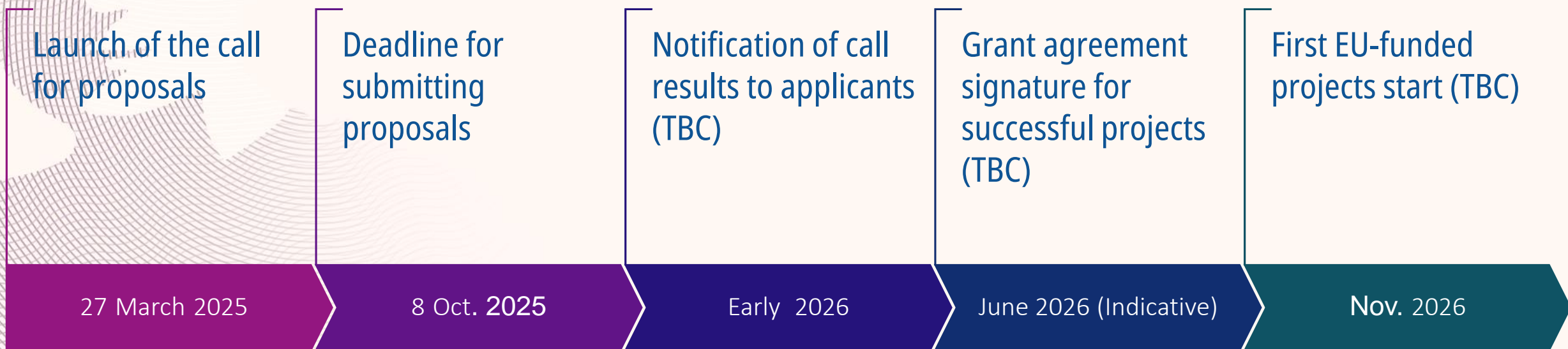
Significant share of all patents in MSCA actions



SUCCESS RATE

Between 20 & 40% depending on the discipline and on the year

HORIZON-MSCA-2025-SE-01 – Indicative timeline



Reference documents



MSCA Work Programme &
annexes



Proposal templates



Frequently Asked
Questions

Evaluation criteria



Excellence	Impact	Quality and efficiency of the implementation
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)	Developing new and lasting research collaborations , achieving transfer of knowledge between participating organisations and contributing to improving research and innovation potential at the European and global level	Quality and effectiveness of the work plan , assessment of risks , and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages
Soundness of the proposed methodology (including i3 approaches, consideration of the gender dimension and other diversity aspects, and the quality of open science practices)	Credibility of the measures to enhance the career perspectives of staff members and contribution to their skills development	Quality, capacity and role of each participant, including hosting arrangements and extent to which the consortium as a whole brings together the necessary expertise
Quality of the proposed interaction between the participating organisations in light of the research and innovation objectives	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	
50%	30%	20%

How to find partners?



NETWORKING
EVENTS
(CONFERENCES,
WORKSHOPS, ETC.)



FORMER OR
CURRENT
COLLABORATIONS



JOINT
PROJECTS



FUNDING AND
TENDER
OPPORTUNITIES
PORTAL



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MATCHMAKING
PLATFORM



EUROPEAN
ENTERPRISE
NETWORK



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CONTACT
POINT



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How to find partners F&T opportunities

The image shows the EU Funding & Tenders Portal interface. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Funding, Procurement, Projects & results, News & events, and Work as an expert. The left sidebar contains links for Calls for proposals, Participant register, Partner search (highlighted with a red circle and arrow), EU programmes, Funding updates, and Horizon4Ukraine. The main content area displays the Partner search results for the Horizon Europe (HORIZON) programme. It shows 10000+ items found and lists two organisations: INAGROPEC SOCIEDAD LIMITADA (Spain) and SYNYO GmbH (Austria). The bottom of the page features the European Commission logo.

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Horizon Europe (HORIZON)

INAGROPEC SOCIEDAD LIMITADA

Private for profit organisation

ZARAGOZA | Spain

Organisation

Projects: 0 | Partner search announcements: 14

SYNYO GmbH

Small or medium-size enterprise

WIEN | Austria

Organisation

Tips and tricks



Closely follow the call requirements



Highlight the EU dimension



Sustainability of collaboration



Follow available guidelines



Get a second opinion



**Contact your
National Contact Point
(NCP)**



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Synergies between MSCA SE and other grants

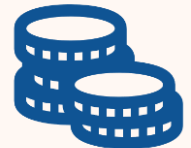
A synergetic MSCA SE project



Travel



Accommodation



Subsistence



Management costs related to the SE project

Another grant



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Research Enquiry Service

For questions about
research and Horizon Europe
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the [Research Enquiry Service \(europea.eu\)](https://europea.eu)



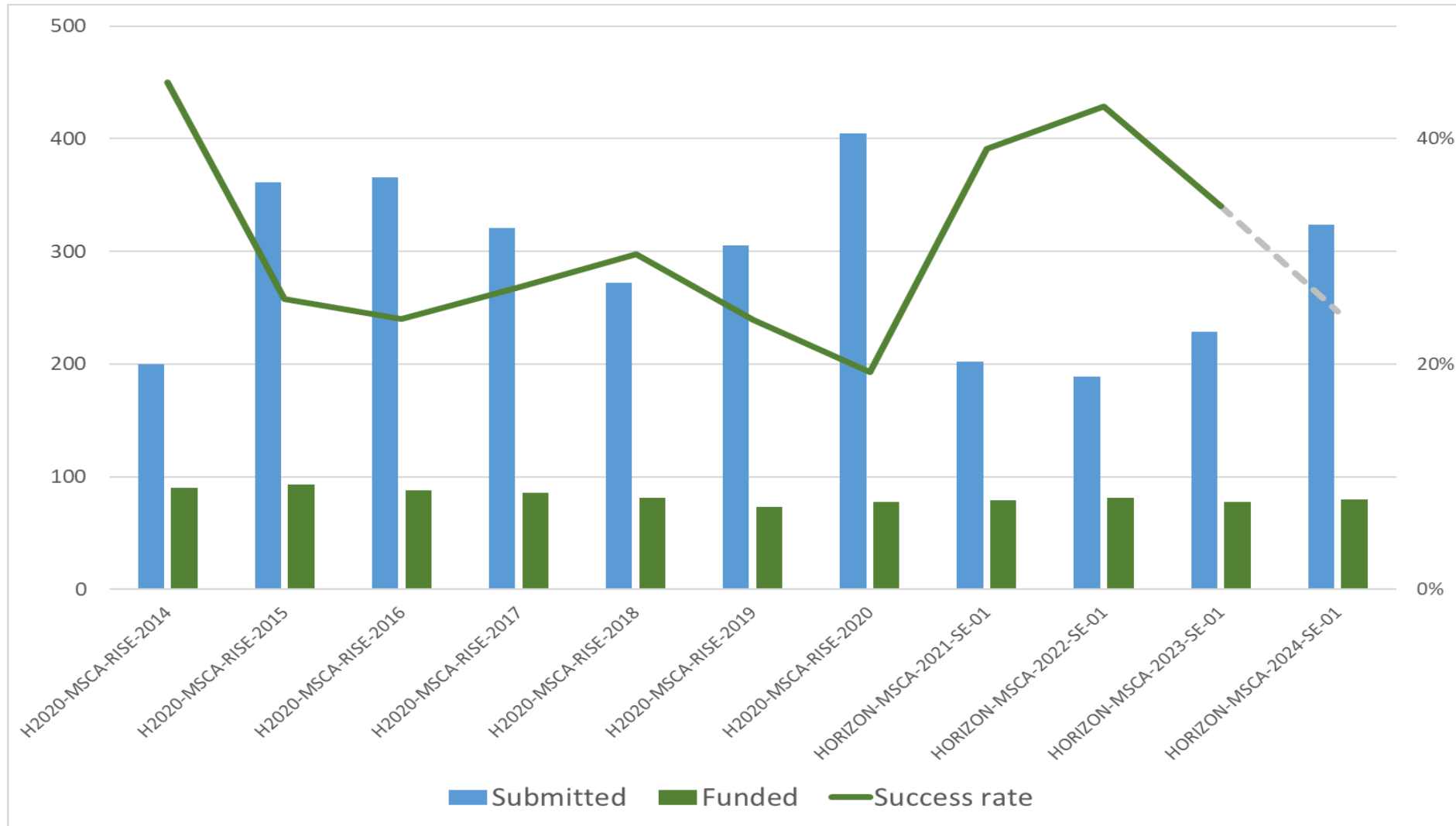
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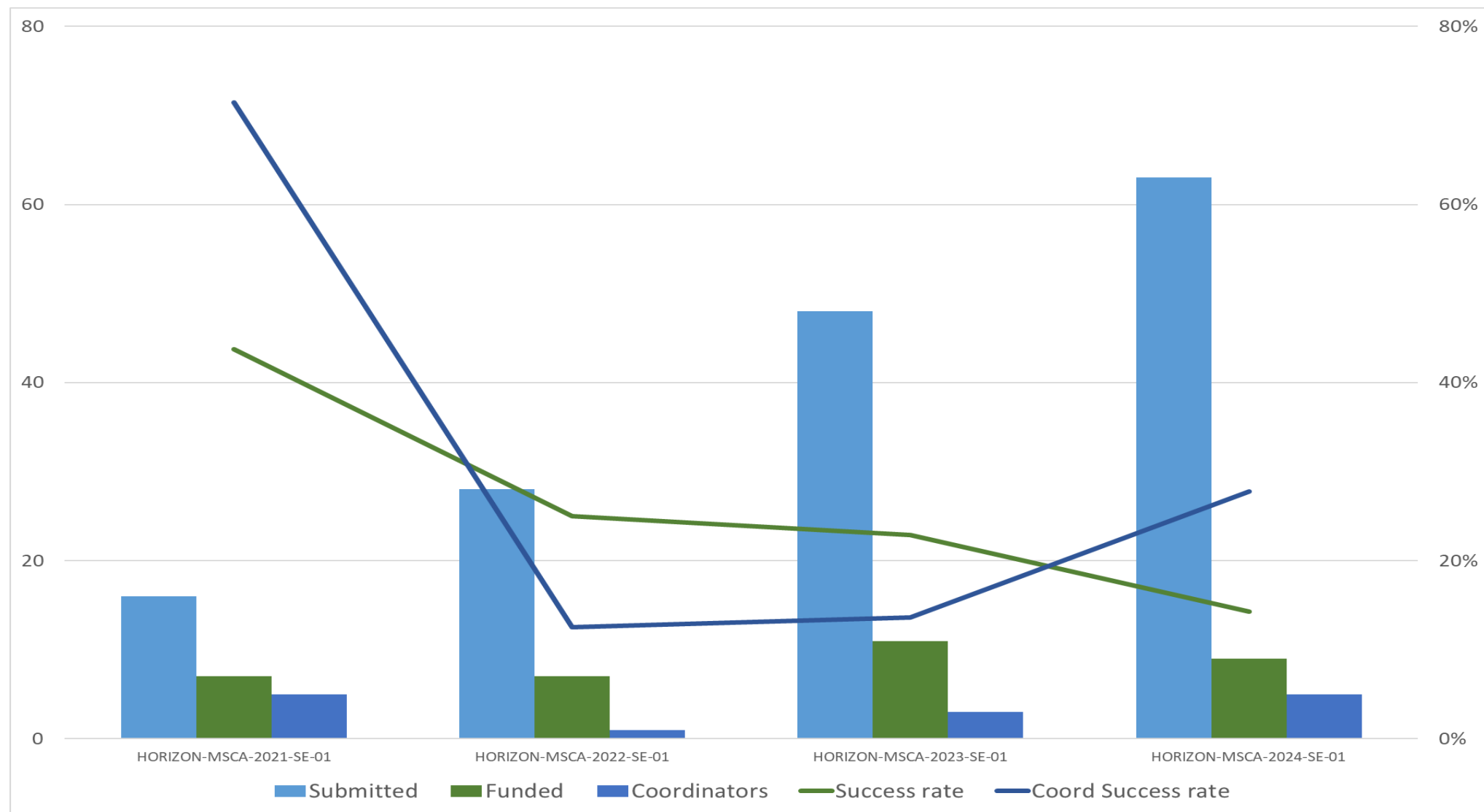


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MSCA SE – Success Rate



MSCA SE – TR Success Rate



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What is MSCA COFUND?

Mono-beneficiary action:

⑩ new or existing national, regional, institutional schemes for doctoral training & postdoctoral fellowships

Focus:

- best practice, high standards & excellent working conditions, sustainable structuring effects

MSCA COFUND

Main Objective

"co-finance new or existing doctoral programmes and postdoctoral fellowship schemes at national, regional or international level with the aim to spread the best practices of the MSCA including international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary research training, as well as international and cross-sectoral mobility of researchers at all stages of their career"

Budget (COFUND-2025): EUR 105.56 million (TBC, pre-published WP available [here](#))

Call opening : 23 January 2025

Call deadline: 24 June 2025

MSCA COFUND : Expected impact

- Enhance talent and knowledge circulation across the R&I landscape, through **international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary mobility**, including by supporting regional or national smart specialisation strategies when appropriate;
- Align practices with MSCA policies based on the **European Charter for Researchers**;
- Improve the **attractiveness of researchers' careers** notably through better working and employment conditions;
- Strengthen Europe's **human capital base in R&I** by training highly-skilled researchers;
- Increase **Europe's attractiveness** as a leading R&I destination;
- Enhance the quality of R&I contributing to **Europe's sustainable competitiveness**;
- Establish sustainable **collaboration between academic and non-academic organisations**;
- Foster the culture of **open science, innovation and entrepreneurship**

MSCA COFUND 2025: Expected outcomes

For doctoral candidates and researchers:

- Deeper and more diverse set of research-related and **transferable skills and competences**;
- Improved **employability and career prospects** both within academia and beyond;
- New mind-sets and approaches to R&I work forged through international, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary experience;
- Enhanced **networking and communication capacities** with scientific peers, as well as with the general public that will increase and broaden the research and innovation impact.

For PF participating organizations:

- Enhanced **quality and sustainability of research training**;
- Increased global **attractiveness, visibility and reputation** of the participating organisation(s);
- Stronger **R&I capacity and output** among participating organisations;
- Increased contribution of the participating organisations to the local, regional and/or national socio-economic ecosystems;
- Regular feedback of research results into teaching and education at participating organisations.

MSCA COFUND – Eligible participants



Single legal entity established in
an EU Member State



Single legal entity established in
HE associated country

MSCA COFUND – Partners

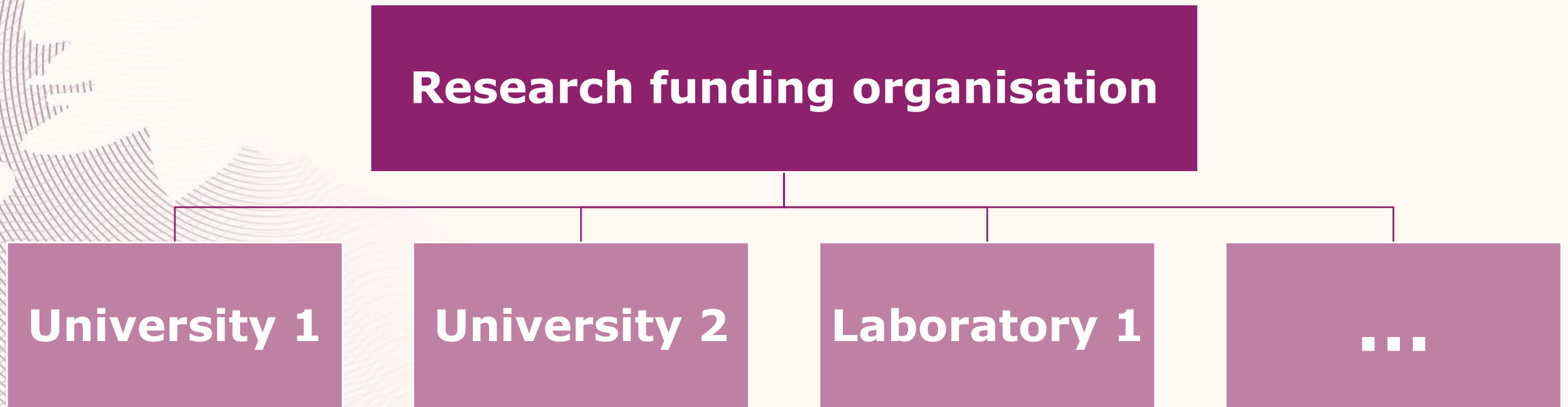
Participating Organisations			
Summary of Tasks			
Role in the Doctoral or Postdoctoral Programme	Recruitment of researchers	Training and/or hosting of seconded researchers	Directly claim unit costs
Beneficiary	✓	✓	✓
Associated Partner	x	✓	x
Implementing Partner	✓	✓	x

No letters of commitment are required at the evaluation stage for any partner

If the proposal is shortlisted for funding, **Implementing partners** identified in the proposal will be asked to provide a letter of commitment before the grant signature.

COFUND – Possible structures

1 - Hierarchical



COFUND – Possible structures

2 - Horizontal



COFUND – Possible structures

3 – Single Point



COFUND



Scope

Doctoral or Post-Doctoral programmes



Co-funding

Max. EUR 10m/beneficiary/call



Duration

Programme: max. 60 months
Fellowship: min. 3 months



Recruitment

Fellows: min. 3 fellows must be recruited

COFUND – Eligible researchers



**Doctoral
candidates**



**Postdoctoral
researchers**



**Any
nationality**



Mobility rule

COFUND – Project implementation



Employment
contract or
equivalent direct
contract



No fixed-amount
fellowships



Part-time allowed for personal, family, or professional* reasons (*upon approval)



Secondments up to 1/3 of fellowship duration



COFUND Seal of Excellence
for applications scoring $\geq 85\%$

COFUND – Project implementation

**Independent experts
involved at every
stage of selection
process**

**The selection of the
researchers**

**Project
implementation**

Training programme

**Postdoctoral
programmes must
involve independent
international experts**

COFUND – Supervision arrangements

Rationale to be specified for contact with supervisor at application stage

No involvement in the drafting of proposal and no approval required before submission

No role in recruitment process or decision making

COFUND – Selection and Recruitment

International advertisement of vacancies

Open, transparent, merit-based, impartial and equitable recruitment process

Assurance of no conflict of interest and no preselection

Doctoral programme: independent panel outside the partnership

Postdoctoral programme: independent international panel



COFUND – Use of artificial intelligence

Use of generative AI tools permitted

Applicants bear legal responsibility for their proposal

No role in recruitment process or decision making

Inaccurate/erroneous data generated by AI tools to be penalised

Plagiarism may lead to proposal rejection

COFUND Budget – EU contribution

**For recruited researchers &
institutional contributions
per person-month***

**Doctoral
programmes
EUR 3,300****

**Postdoctoral
programmes
EUR 4,700****

Any cost item of the programme supported

* For more
details:

[unit-mga_he_en.pdf](#)

** Fixed-amount fellowship: 50% of the standard
rate



COFUND budget - Conditions

**Total cost of
programme to be
specified**

- Amounts for researchers
- Amounts for organisation(s)

**Minimum
monthly gross
remuneration
+
mobility costs**

- Doctoral candidates: EUR 3,300*
- Postdoctoral candidates: EUR 4,700*

*Min. EUR 1,650 (doctoral) & EUR 2,350 (postdoc) if fixed-amount fellowship

COFUND budget – Part A

Participant number	Organisation short name	Role	Country	Academic sector	IO	No of recruited researchers	Number of person months (Employment)	Number of person months (Fellowship)	Contributions for recruited researchers		Total	Own resources	Financial contributions	Total estimated project income
									Employment Contract	Fixed amount fellowship				
1				No	No									
Total														

Cost categories	EU contribution (A) (EUR/person-month)	Own resources (B) (EUR/person-month)	Total cost = EU contribution + own resources (A+B) (EUR/person-month)
...			
Number of fellows			
Number of fellow months			
Total amount			

Beneficiary and (if appl.) Associated Partners (APs) involved in the proposal. Implementing Partners (IPs) are not listed.

The beneficiary is 'Participant number 1' followed by the APs.

Beneficiary must encode in the column '**Own resources**' its own financial input to the programme, and in the column '**Financial contribution**' the financial support coming from IPs (if applicable).

Beneficiary must indicate for the APs – each in its relevant row - under the column '**Financial contribution**' any financial support (if appl.).

COFUND BUDGET – Part B1

COFUND budget – Part B1

Cost categories	EU contribution (A) (EUR/person-month)	Own resources (B) (EUR/person-month)	Total cost = EU contribution + own resources (A+B) (EUR/person-month)
COFUND allowance	3 300 (for Doctoral)* 4 700 (for Postdoctoral)*		***
Mobility allowance**			****
Family allowance**			****
Travel allowance**			****
Research costs**			
Other (training, etc.) **			
Management costs **			
Indirect costs**			
Number of fellows			
Number of fellow months			
Total amount			

Please make sure that the Total cost (including EU contribution and Own resources) declared in section 3 of Part A of the proposal matches exactly what is presented in Part B1.

- * Choose applicable rate
- ** If applicable
- *** Monthly gross remuneration
- **** Total amount of allowance, if provided

COFUND – Award criteria

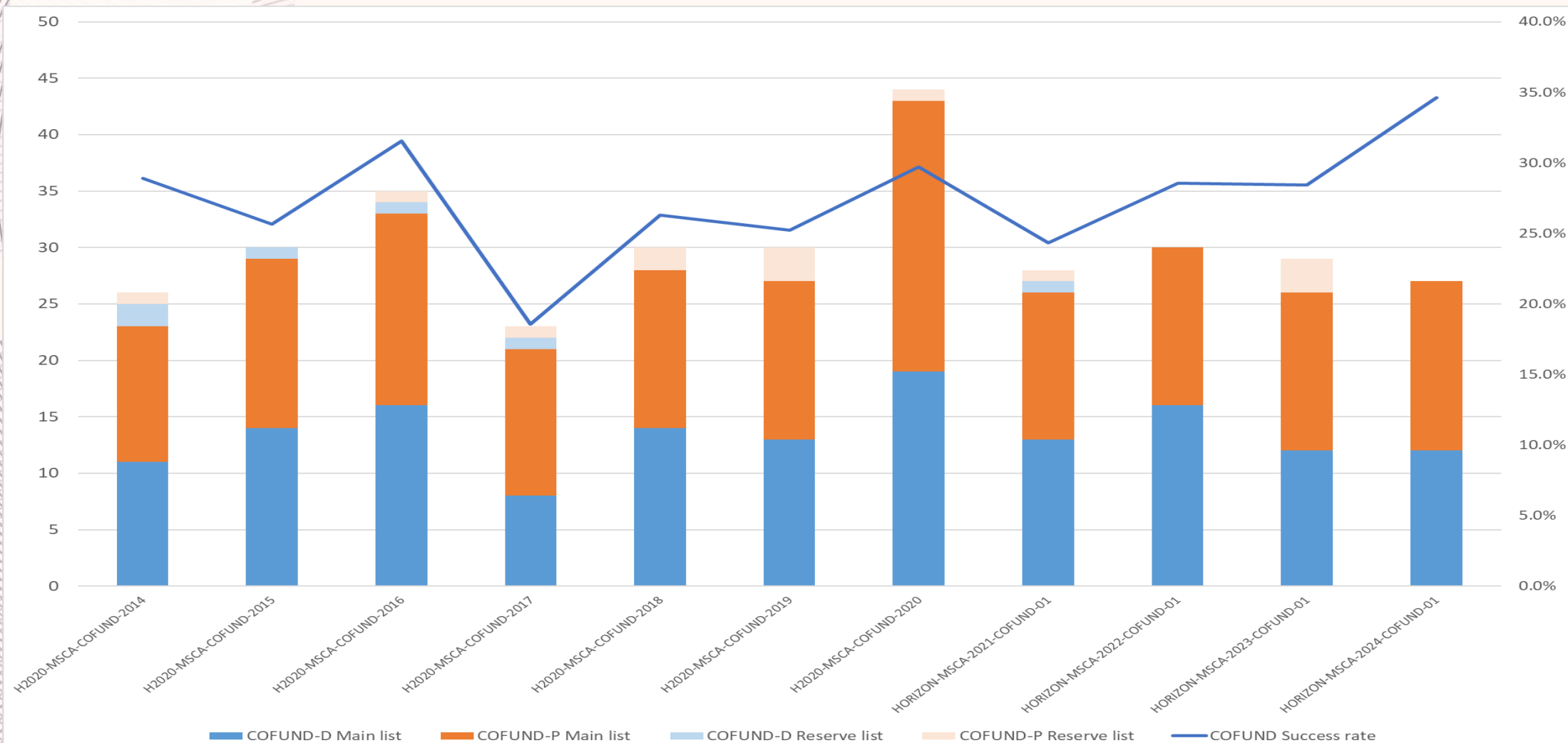
Excellence (50%)

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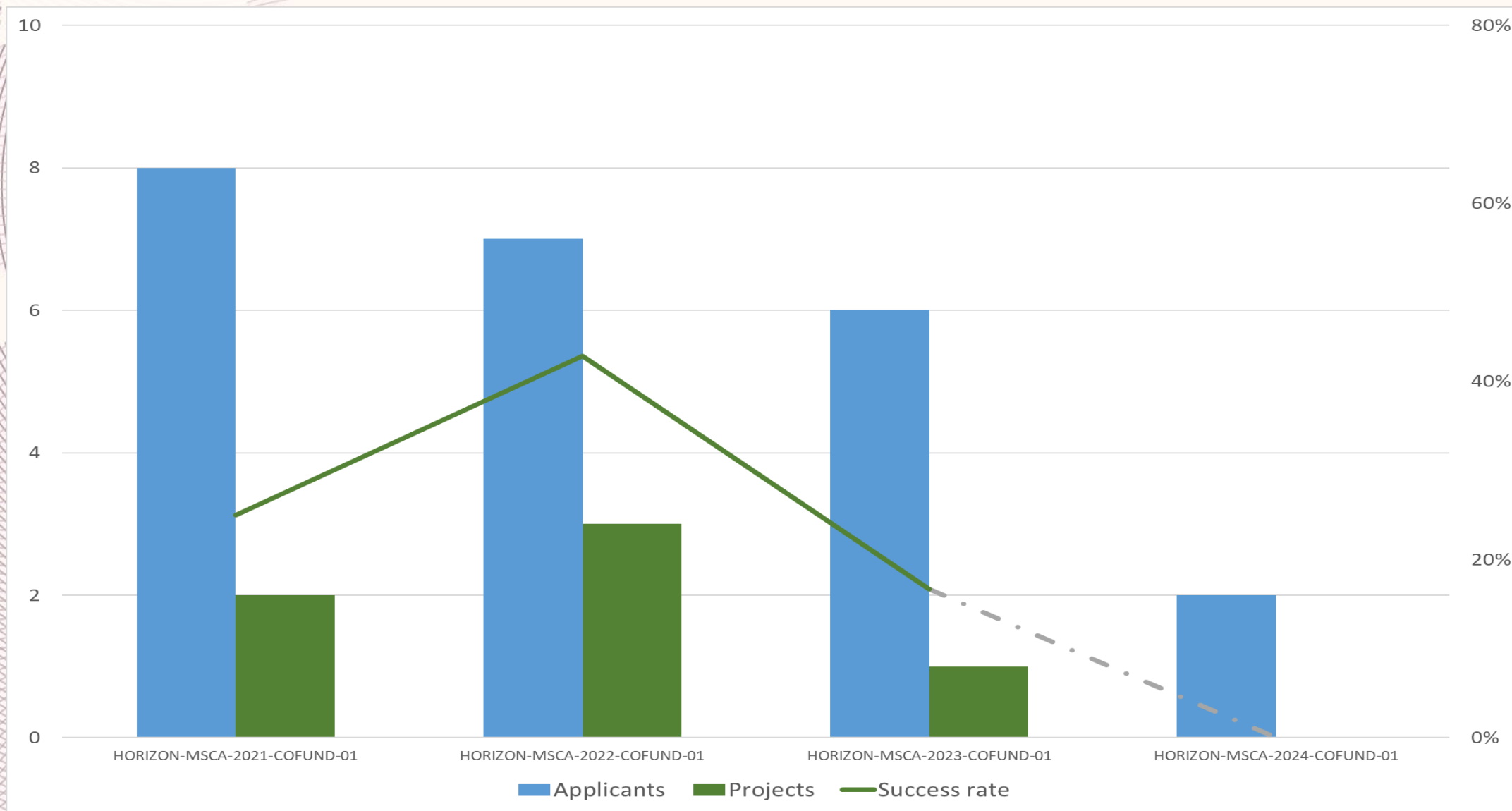
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MSCA Choose Europe for Science

- **Mono-beneficiary Action** to co-fund programmes in which academic or non-academic organisations recruit and train researchers with a vision to employment beyond the project period
- **Target group:** researchers at post-doctoral level who comply with the mobility rule
- **Focus:**
 - ❖ to increase the attractiveness of the European R&I ecosystem by **tackling precarity in research careers**
 - ❖ spread **best practices** of the MSCA by promoting **high standards** in the recruitment and evaluation process and **excellent working conditions**
 - ❖ introduce **lasting impact**, through risk-sharing and by promoting excellent and sustainable accession and progression systems

MSCA Choose Europe for Science

- **Structure**

- **1st phase:** 24-36 months in which the EU will provide funding in the form of a Choose Europe for Science allowance which can be used to cover any cost category and is equivalent to the minimum gross monthly remuneration of recruited researchers amounting to 6700 EUR
- **2nd phase:** 24 months funded entirely by the beneficiary with remuneration rates to be set at a level that is nationally or regionally competitive

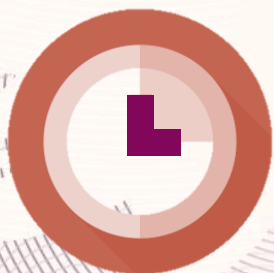
- **Partners**

- **Beneficiary :** single legal entity established in an EU Member State or HE Associated country that will recruit selected researchers
- **NO Implementing partners**
- **Associated partners :** based anywhere and be in any sector
→ cannot recruit and receive funds from the beneficiary

- **Co-funding**

- Beneficiaries are responsible for sourcing complementary funds for implementing their programme if selected, deploying institutional, regional, national or European level resources
- No double funding

MSCA Choose Europe for Science



DURATION

Max 6 years
including recruitment
2-3 years first phase
2 years second
phase



COMPOSITION

1 beneficiary from
EU MS or HE AC
(no implementing
partners)



RECRUITMENT

For at least 3
researchers at
postdoctoral level



BUDGET

Co-funding with a front-
loaded EU contribution
Max EUR 3.5 million
per beneficiary per call

Next Call: 1 October – 3 December 2025

22.5M €

MSCA Choose Europe for Science – Unit contributions

Contributions for recruited researchers and institutional contributions

Per person-month in the first phase of the project

**Choose Europe for
Science allowance**

EUR 6 700¹

**Long-term leave
allowance
(if applicable)**

**EUR 6 700
x
% covered by the
beneficiary**

**Special needs
allowance
(if applicable)**

**Requested unit²
x
(1/number of months)**

¹These amount are also the minimum gross remuneration applicable for researchers recruited under the programmes

MSCA Choose Europe for Science: award criteria

Excellence	Impact	Quality and efficiency of the implementation
Quality of the selection / recruitment process for the researchers (transparency, composition and organisation of selection committees, evaluation criteria, equal opportunities, the gender dimension and other diversity aspects)	Contribution to addressing local human resource needs , to advancing regional/national specialisation strategies , and to strengthening European research, innovation and teaching capacity	Quality, credibility and effectiveness of the recruitment plan, assessment of risks and appropriateness of the effort assigned towards offering concrete career prospects for recruited researchers
Quality and attractiveness of the appointment conditions , including inclusive working conditions, quality and attractiveness of the research environment and the resources, training and career development opportunities provided, and remuneration offered in the second phase of the fellowship	Strengthening human resources good practices at institutional, regional, national, or international level, in particular through aligning the practices of participating organisations with the principles set out by the EU for human resources development in research and innovation	Quality and capacity of the recruiting institutions, including hosting arrangements and institutional procedures' alignment with the European Charter for Researchers (institutions with the HRS4R label are exempted from providing further justification for this criterion) and the Agreement on Reforming Research Assessment
Quality and attractiveness of the concrete long-term career prospects that extend beyond the duration of the fellowship		
Quality and ambition of the research, innovation and/or academic objectives of the recruitment programme		
50%	30%	20%

Threshold for all criteria categories (excellence, impact and implementation) = 3

Best Practices and Resources

- [European Charter for Researchers](#)
 - provides a set of principles underpinning the development of attractive research careers to support excellence in research and innovation across Europe
 - offers guidance on research assessment, recruitment and progression as well as on working conditions
- [Sustainable Careers for Researcher Empowerment](#) (SECURE) project
 - developed a Research Career Framework as well as a range of Tenure Track-Like Models based on a study of existing initiatives across Europe
- [Coalition for the Advancing Research Assessment](#) and the projects funded through the associated CoARA Boost initiative
 - focuses on creating more equitable and transparent research assessment systems
- [OECD report on reducing the precarity of academic research careers](#)
 - examines the challenges and instability faced by researchers in academic careers, offering insights and recommendations to enhance job security and career development
 - proposes policy frameworks and best practices to reduce precarity and improve the overall working conditions for researchers globally

MSCA & CITIZENS 2025

Main Objective

"bring research and researchers closer to the public at large, to increase awareness of research and innovation activities and to boost public recognition of science and research education"

Budget (CITIZENS-2025): EUR 16.25 million (TBC, pre-published WP available [here](#))

Call opening : 17 June 2025

Call deadline: 22 October 2025

MSCA & CITIZENS – Objectives

Bring research and researchers closer to the public.

**Show the role of the researcher for the society and economy.
Raise the interest of young people in research careers.**

**Address the general public, with a specific focus on families,
pupils, students.**

**A wide geographic coverage that reflects the European nature
of this initiative is key.**



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MSCA & CITIZENS – Expected Impacts

**Enhance
engagement
with citizens.**

**Increase
awareness
among the
general public
of the
importance
and benefits of
R&I. Especially
EU-funded
research.**

**Diffusion and
promotion of
excellence
research projects
across Europe and
beyond by reaching
citizens in as many
participating
countries as
possible.**

**Raise
interest of
young
people in
science and
research
careers.**

**Support
school-
teachers and
educators in
developing a
scientific
approach
around priority
topics.**

MSCA & CITIZENS – Expected Outcome

For researchers

- Enhanced **opportunities to interact with citizens** and local, regional and national authorities.
- Improved **communication skills** and competences to interact with a non-research audience.

For organisations

- Increased **reputation and visibility** of participating organisations.
- Researchers' work made more tangible.
- Improved **outreach to all audiences** across Europe, and notably those who do not have an easy access to science and research activities.
- Better **communication of R&I results and activities** to society.

MSCA & CITIZENS – Scope

Proposals should cover both the organisation of the **European Researchers' Night** and the implementation of the **Researchers at Schools** initiative.

The European Researchers' Night takes place every year, on the **last Friday of September**. Pre-events, and post-events can also be organised.

The European Researchers' Night targets the general public, addressing people regardless of the level of their scientific background, special focus on young people and their families, pupils and students

The Researchers at Schools initiative brings school classes to research facilities and researchers to schools any time during the project duration.

MSCA & CITIZENS - EU Researchers' Night activities

Activities can combine education with entertainment.

They can take various forms, such as exhibitions, hands-on experiments, science shows, simulations, debates, games, competitions, quizzes, etc

Where appropriate, engagement with educational institutions should be sought

MSCA & CITIZENS - Researchers at Schools activities

Activities will allow researchers to showcase their work and interact with pupils

They can take various forms, such as presentations, discussions, speed-dating, citizen science, science shows, summer schools, nature walks or visits to research facilities

MSCA & CITIZENS – Other Features

The European Researchers' Night should be highlighted as a **European (and European wide) event** and each proposal should promote the European Union and its impact on citizens' daily life

The Researchers at Schools activities should take place at any time during the project duration and should be subject to a dedicated promotion

Involvement of researchers funded by Horizon Europe or previous Framework Programmes is encouraged.

Both type of activities have to **promote gender balance, diversity and inclusiveness** in science.

Partnerships and coordination at regional, national or cross-border levels are encouraged.

High-quality applications not retained due to lack of funding may be granted the status of **associated events**.

MSCA & CITIZENS – Eligible Participants

Applications may be submitted by **one or more legal entities established in an EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country**

Activities carried-out in non-associated third countries are not eligible for funding

MSCA & CITIZENS – Project Duration

24 months from the starting date

Applicants are encouraged to submit proposals covering two successive editions (2026 and 2027) during the project duration.

MSCA & CITIZENS – Funding

The maximum requested EU contribution per proposal should not exceed EUR 350 000.

All proposals are encouraged to bring additional sources of funding.

The budget will be evaluated under the criterion 3 “Quality and efficiency of the implementation”.

Proposals exceeding max EU contribution might be penalised during evaluation unless a strong justification is provided.

MSCA & CITIZENS – Funding Mechanism

Eligible costs will take the form of **lump sum** contributions

The expected EU contribution per project is **between EUR 50 000 and 175 000 per annual edition**

The expected **EU contribution** requested for a proposal **covering 2026 and 2027** would be **between EUR 100 000 and 350 000**

Applicants propose a **lump sum based on a detailed estimation of costs**. Following evaluation of the proposal an individual lump sum is fixed in each grant agreement

MSCA & CITIZENS – Funding Mechanism (2)

Proposals must contain a detailed budget per beneficiary:

Direct Costs: Personnel costs; Subcontracting costs; Purchase costs; and Other cost categories

Indirect costs: 25% flat rate to the direct costs that qualify

The lump sum is calculated by applying the applicable reimbursement rate, 100% in this case

In addition, applicants must provide a split of the lump sum per beneficiary and per work package.

Award criteria

Excellence	Impact	Quality and efficiency of the implementation
Clarity and pertinence of the project's objectives.	Credibility of the pathways to achieve the expected outcomes and impacts specified in the work programme, and the likely scale and significance of the contributions from the project.	Quality and effectiveness of the work plan, assessment of risks, and appropriateness of the effort assigned to work packages, and the resources overall
Quality of the proposed coordination and/or support measures, including soundness of methodology	Suitability and quality of the measures to maximise expected outcomes and impacts , as set out in the dissemination and exploitation plan, including communication activities.	Capacity and role of each participant, and the extent to which the consortium as a whole brings together the necessary expertise.
50%	30%	20%

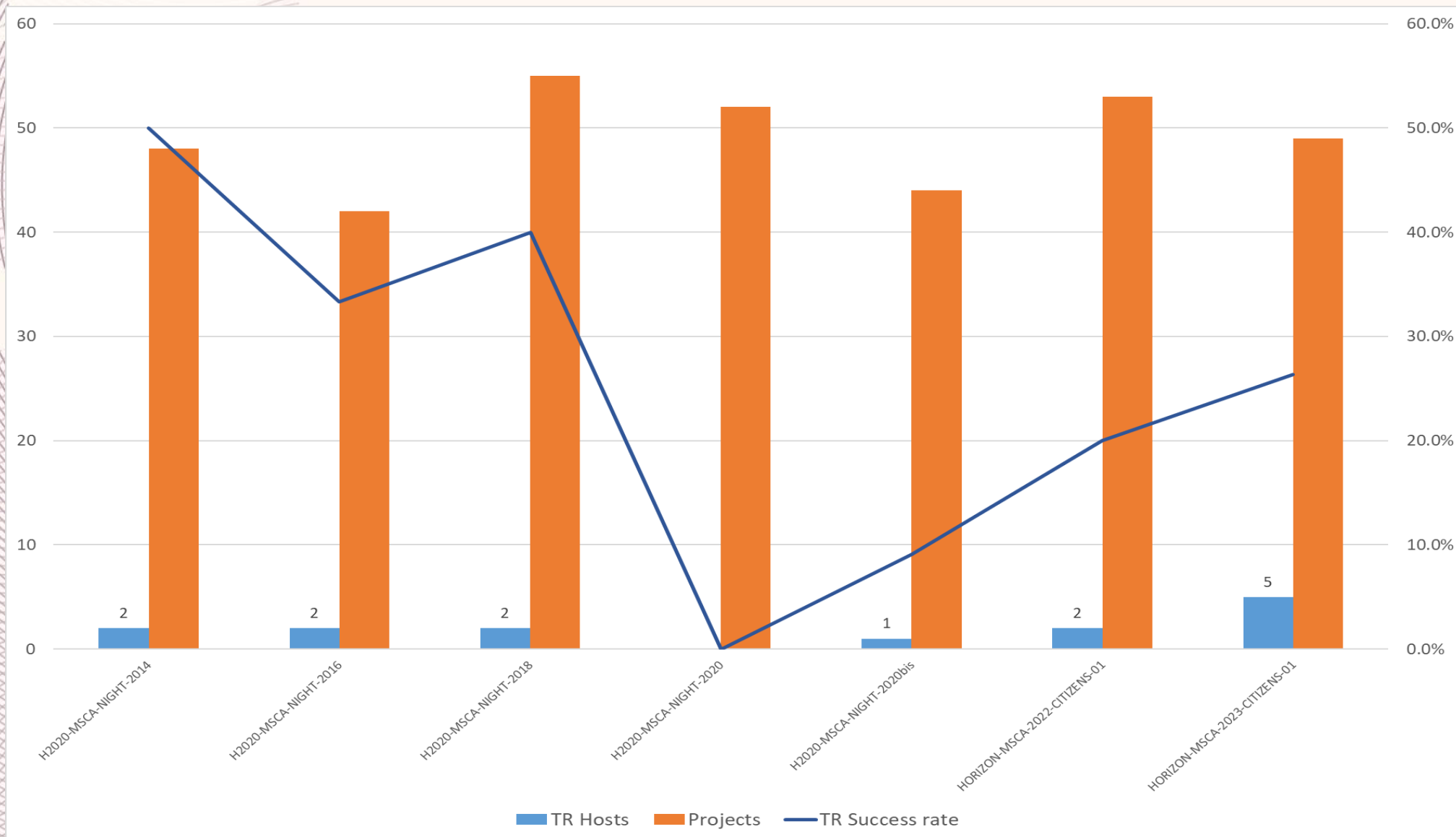
MSCA & CITIZENS – Evaluation procedure

The procedure is described in General Annex F.

The following exceptions apply:

To ensure a balanced portfolio covering the widest geographical coverage, grants will be awarded not only in order of ranking but also to the **top-ranked application from each country** based on the coordinator's location (including trans-national consortia), provided that the applications attain all thresholds.

MSCA & CITIZENS – TR Success Rates



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