Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellowship

**MSCA - Individual Fellowship**

**Strengthening the European Research Area (ERA)**
- Encouraging people to embark on research careers in Europe

**Promoting the researchers’ career**
- Research & skills training for academia & industry (employability)

**Enhancing mobility and collaboration**
- International,-disciplinary,-sectoral

**Evaluation criteria**
- excellence, impact, implementation (50:30:20)

**Eligibility**
- Postdocs of any nationality

**Funding**
- 1-2 year project (optional 3-6 months secondment)

**Host**
- Any public or private research institution

**Mobility**
- ≤12 months of past 3 years in host country

**Proposal writing and submission**
- (10 pages) jointly with supervisor
- ~ 10 months to project start

**Application**
- Annual call, success rate: 13-25%
European Research Council - ERC

**European funding of basic research ("frontier research")**

Open to all fields of research
- Ground-breaking research
- Beyond the state-of-the-art
- High-risk/high-gain
- Important challenges
- Novel concepts (across disciplines)
- Feasibility

Open to researchers (age/nationality)
- Able to conduct excellent research
- Creative independent thinking
- Required scientific capacity

Scientific excellence is the sole criterion for evaluation

**Eligibility**
2-7 years after PhD (extensions possible)

**Funding**
EUR 1.5 million for 5 years (optional: + EUR 1 million)

**Host**
EU Member State or Associated Country

**Commitment**
≥ 50% (≥ 50% in Europe)

**Application**
Proposal submission (5+15 pages)
Two-step evaluation (+ interview)
~ 10 months to funding start
Annual calls, success rates: ~12%
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