MCAA – Past, Present and Future

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Background

- Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions (MSCA) have been a key element of EU R&D policy across successive framework programmes
- MSCA promotes **international mobility** for researchers
- Estimated >**140k researchers** have benefitted from MSCA
- MCAA created to **extend** benefits beyond the formal contractual MSCA experience.

Marie Skłodowska-Curie (1867-1934)

MCAA Structure

MCAA General Assembly

MCAA Board (11 voting members + ex-officio members)

- Executive Committee (5)
- Ordinary Members (6)
- European Commission
- Chapter Chairs
- Working Group Chairs

MCAA Chapters (32)

- Africa
- Asia
- Europe
- North America
- South America
- South East Asia

MCAA Working Groups (7), incl.

- Policy
- Research Funding
- Gender Equality and Diversity
- Bridging Science and Business
- Science Communication
- Information and Data Access

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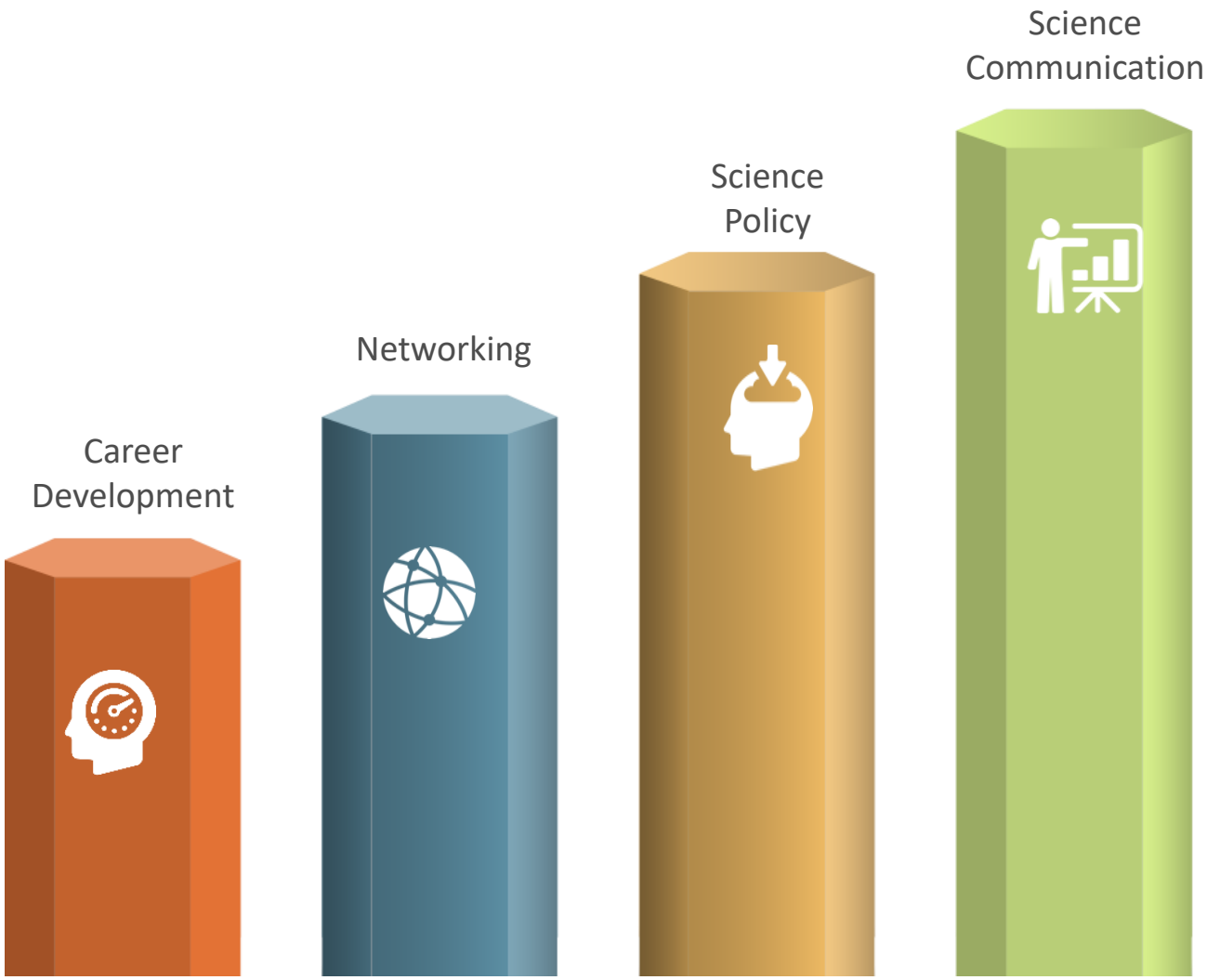
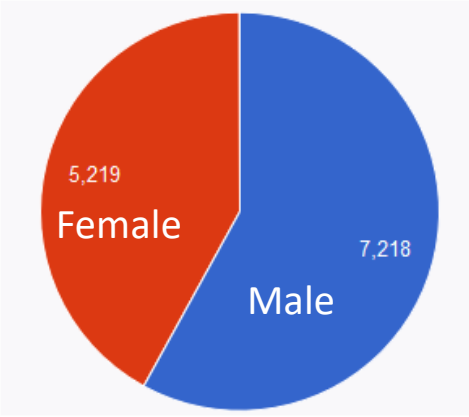
MCAA Pillars

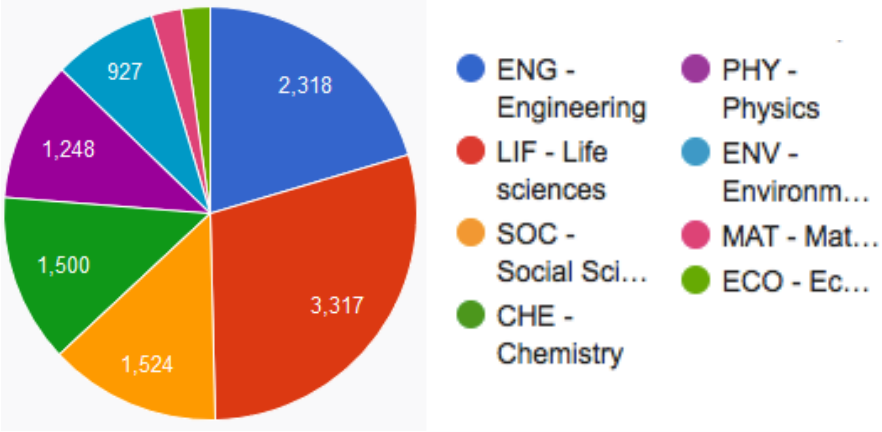


MCAA Members (14k+)

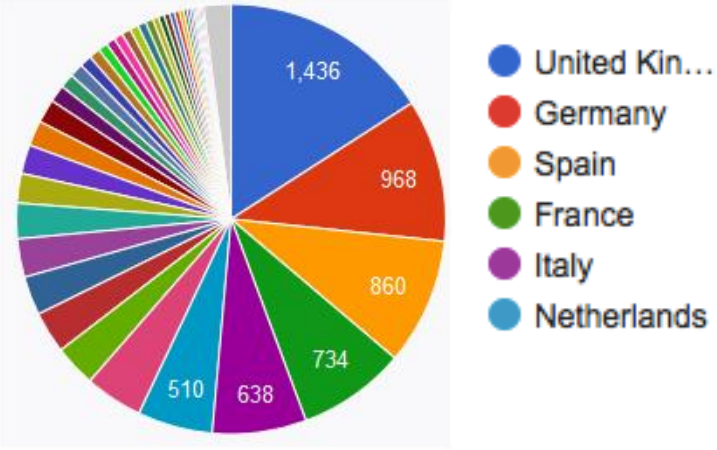
Gender



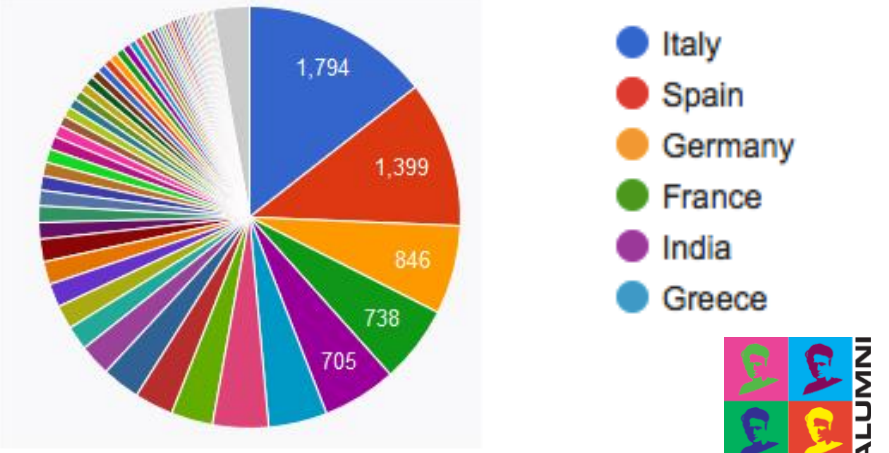
Scientific Panel



Country of Residence



Nationality



https://www.mariecuriealumni.eu/charts

MCAA Services

Micro-grants	Member Directory	Surveys	Services	Events	Awards
‘Travel’, ‘Media’, ‘One world’	Contacts, Networking, Social	Report, Analysis, Recommendations	Chapters & Working Groups		Recognition of efforts and achievements

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Micro-Grants

Travel Grant	Travel, accommodation, subsistence costs expenses to attend relevant events
Media Grant	Design and production of media materials, books, journal and scientific conferences
One World Grant	Members residing in countries with S&T agreement with EU
GA Grant	For attending next MCAA General Assembly and Conference

Amount from 400 Euro to 1000 Euro depending on type of the grant/distance

Online Training/Courses

- Project management for MSC fellows
- EU research funding opportunities for academia and industry
- Do I want to be an entrepreneur?
- The dark side of leadership
- Responsible Research and Innovation: a check-up
- Winning Marie Curie Fellowship with Open Science
- What does "open science" really mean

Provide Training on transferable skills

- Writing Successful ERC Application
- Future Leadership Programs in industries
- Protecting Intellectual property
- How to write your CV for academia & industry

MCAA Policy Initiatives

REFERENT
A MENTORING INITIATIVE

https://www.mariecuriealumni.eu/future-framework-programme-9-fp9-your-hands

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MCAA Policy Initiatives

MCAA statement on IPCC report "Global Warming of 1.5 °C"

Ewan Geffroy; Marco Masia; Andreina Laera; George Lavidas; Soheil Shayegh; Renaud Blaise Jolivet

On October 9th, 2018, the International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) released a special report that forecasts global temperature to increase by 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels between 2030 and 2052, at the rate of +0.2 °C per decade. Such increase will result in significant additional environmental damage that can be mitigated only by heavily cutting on CO 2 emissions. In addition, the development and spreading of new technologies and good policies form key components of the adaptations necessary to face the challenges posed by such dramatic change. Challenges come with opportunities, and as recommended by IPCC guidelines, societal changes need to promote social justice and equity to build a fair, peaceful and cooperative world.

Removing barriers for displaced academics

Events & Activities

2019 MCAA Annual Conference in Vienna

60 country attendees

827 registrations

110 speakers

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- Mentoring
- Refugees in HE
- Future of Research
- Science Comm.
- Open Science
- Science Diplomacy
- Mental health
- Career Paths
- Harassment

MCAA – Eurodoc Declaration

- Provide sustainable career prospects for researchers
- Deploy career management services at organizations
- Put more emphasis on transferable skills training
- Provide a wide variety of networking options & services in and outside of academia

MCAA Mentoring Academy

MCAA Academy is a new program to support the career development of its members.

It consists of Mentoring members for their next career steps and providing them with financial support for their career development plan.

In this first edition of MCAA Academy, we will be able to provide mentorship to 20 members.

If you are planning important choices for your future career, MCAA Academy is the platform for you.

Our advanced mentoring platform provides a continuous, full-spectrum learning experience, allowing mentees to focus on the skills that matter the most, when they matter the most.

Mentors will provide leadership and advice to their mentees through an online platform. The program will run for 6 months and will require up to 1 hour face time per month. Mentors and mentees will be matched according to their skills, interests and career goals.

In addition, you will get financial support to attend meetings that are relevant to your career development plan.

Summary

International non-profit

Offers career development opportunities

Shaping future science policy

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