

2014-2020 budget: 6.162 billion euro.



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\*All research areas can be funded under MSCA, except those covered by the EURATOM Treaty.

# Focus on Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) for Brazilian researchers and institutions

The *Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions* are **European grants** offered to **researchers at all career stages** and in all scientific areas\* and encourage **transnational, intersectoral and interdisciplinary mobility**.

The expected impact of the MSCA in Horizon 2020 includes the support of ca. 65,000 researchers, including 25 000 PhD candidates, ca. 200 000 scientific publications in high impact peer-reviewed journals, and ca. 1 500 patent applications. The MSCA will enable up to 15 000 non-EU researchers to start or pursue their careers in Europe by 2020.

Figure 1: The global reach of the MSCA programme.



The different funding schemes within the MSCA are shown in Figure 2:

**Individual Brazilian** researchers are eligible for funding.

**Organisations** from any sector and country can participate in MSCA projects. However, **Brazilian organisations** are not eligible for direct funding, but check the local co-funding schemes available to support Brazilian participation [here](#).

Among other alternatives, Brazilian organisations can contact their local FAP for co-funding. Some of the FAPs have published parallel calls to support such participation. For more info see: **"Guidelines for the preparation of research proposals in collaboration with proposals submitted to EU Horizon 2020"** <http://confap.org.br/news/horizonte-2020/>

Innovative Training Networks	<b>ITN</b>	Support for doctoral and early-stage training Training Networks, Industrial Doctorates, Joint Doctorates
Individual Fellowships	<b>IF</b>	Support for experienced researchers undertaking international and inter-sector mobility: European Fellowships and Global Fellowships Dedicated support for career restart and reintegration
Research and Innovation Staff Exchange	<b>RISE</b>	International and inter-sector cooperation through the exchange of staff
Co-funding of programmes	<b>COFUND</b>	Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes: - doctoral programmes - fellowship programmes



Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions (MSCA) – European Commission's website [here](#).

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[Marie Curie Alumni Association – MCAA](#)

Membership of the MCAA is free of charge, and open to any past or present Marie Curie researcher.

Contact the local Brazilian chapter [here](#) for more details on its activities.

All MSCA calls are annual and advertised on the [Horizon 2020 Participant Portal](#).

MSCA ITN calls are open to institutions only.

MSCA IF are open to individual researchers. They apply in partnership with a host institution based in any European member state or country associated to Horizon 2020.

In case of Global Fellowships, institutions in Brazil will be considered as “partner organisations”.

MSCA RISE are open to institutions such as universities, research centres or companies from everywhere in the world.

MSCA COFUND are open to European funding organisations.

## MSCA - What's in it for Brazilian researchers and institutions?

**1. Innovative Training Networks (ITN)** is the main European doctoral training programme, putting a special emphasis on non-academic sector participation and the innovation dimension.

**Brazilian research institutions:** This action is meant primarily for organisations such as universities, research centres or companies, that propose a research training network. Brazilian organisations can join the consortia to submit a proposal.

**Brazilian researchers:** can apply to the PhD positions created by these networks, including Industrial Doctorate and Joint Doctorate. They are advertised on the [Euraxess Job portal](#).

**2. Individual Fellowships (IF)** are for experienced researchers to undertake their own research project at a host organisation in another country, thus gaining new skills through advanced training and possibly, intersectoral mobility.

**Researchers based in Brazil** can apply for a European fellowship to perform a research stay of up to 2 years in Europe, choosing to apply either for a re-integration grant, a scientific grant or a society & enterprise grant in the non-academic sector.

**Researchers based in Europe** can apply for a global fellowship to carry out research in a third country such as Brazil and return to Europe. They can also apply to a European fellowship for mobility within the [EU or associated countries](#) (EU/AC).

**Research institutions from Brazil** are eligible to host post-doctoral researchers coming from the European Union and Associated countries.

**3. Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE)** enables international and intersectoral collaboration, based on short-term staff exchanges between organisations worldwide.

**Brazilian research institutions** can join a consortia as partner, but can't receive direct funding from the European Commission for the secondment of their researchers.

Calls are annual and advertised on the [Horizon 2020 Participant Portal](#).

**4. Co-Funding of regional, national and international programmes (COFUND)** calls are open to European research (funding) institutions, Brazilian organisations can be partner organisations in a proposal. COFUND supports many high-quality fellowships or doctoral programme positions, which include transnational mobility.

**Brazilian researchers:** Doctoral candidates can apply directly to COFUND positions advertised on the [EURAXESS job portal](#) while experienced researchers apply directly with the funding organisations.