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on: submitting proposals for funding Horizon Europe projects under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie arrangement "Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes (COFUND), Doctoral Programmes".

This is to inform you that the European Commission has announced its call for proposals under the Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes (COFUND) arrangement of the Maria Skłodowska-Curie action, co-financing Horizon Europe doctoral programmes (**Doctoral Programmes**).

The call for proposals is open until 10 February 2022, 5 p.m.(UTC+1).

Terms of the call and application procedure are available on the websites:

- European Commission:
ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/horizon-msca-2021-cofund-01-01
- National Contact Point for EU research programmes
www.kpk.gov.pl/horyzont-europa/excelence-science/msca/msca-cofund
- Research Support Centre: www.cwn.uj.edu.pl under tab "Open calls" → "KE Open calls"

Call essentials:

- The European Commission co-finances new or existing research and teaching programmes aimed at educating researchers before earning doctorate in all research domains.
- A proposal may be submitted by one organisation regardless of the sector (e.g. a ministry, agency, university, company, association) of a EU member state or a Horizon Europe associated state, which would implement the project in collaboration with other national and/or international institutions, approaching researchers with an attractive programme. Such an organisation, in its capacity of beneficiary, signs a funding agreement with the European Commission.
- **Doctoral Programmes** should open access to international and intersectoral mobility. Taken into account in evaluation of proposals is the **participation in the project of enterprises and other organisations in the non-academic sector**, giving researchers the opportunity to learn about the sector and to develop competencies and knowledge to work in non-academic institutions of this kind.
- At least 3 researchers must be employed in each project.
- Projects may deal with any domain of research and may be implemented for a period from 36 to 60 months.
- The hosting of researchers from freely chosen country and of every nationality takes place under open and transparent calls held by the beneficiary of the programme, with obligatory publication of the offer in the [EURAXESS](https://euraxess.eu) portal.
- Beneficiaries of the MSCA must comply with the **rule of mobility, which stipulates that they may not implement their grant in a country in which they spent more than 12 months in the**



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three years preceding the closing of the call or recruitment by the organisation participating in the project.

- In project evaluation and implementation subject to scrutiny will be offered work conditions, recruitment transparency and career advancement opportunities based on the provisions of the [European Charter for Researchers](#) and the [Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers](#).
- Doctoral students admitted under *Doctoral Programmes* may not be holders of doctorate on the day of concluding the call.
- **The proposals are submitted with the European Commission electronically, using the portal *Funding & tender opportunities*.** On the call's website in the portal available are all documents necessary for preparing a project: *Work Programme*, *Guide for Applicants*, project proposal template. The proposal must be supported with scanned letters of intent by partner institutions.
- Doctoral students hosted under the MSCA COFUND by a Polish science and higher education entity should be employed under temporary employment contract with full health and social insurance – it is possible pursuant to Article 209.10(1) and Article 119.2(3a) of the Act – Law on higher education and science, and inducted in the doctoral student training programme under a doctoral school arrangement.
- **PLEASE NOTE: Emerging researchers employed under MSCA COFUND and admitted to a doctoral school must receive both remuneration pursuant to a contract of employment, financed with the project's funds, and doctoral scholarship, as per provisions of the above mentioned act, financed with the entity's own funds.**

Basic terms of funding projects:

- The budgets of MSCA projects are generated automatically on the basis of the number of man-months for which researchers are hosted, and the budget should provide funds for personnel costs (remuneration) for the hosted researchers, research, training, travel, management and indirect costs. The EC shall subsidise the **personnel costs** of the hosted researchers, at a rate of **€ 2,800 per person-month**.
- It is still possible for those who have received funding from the EC and signed funding agreements to apply to the Ministry of Education and Science for a 90-per-cent co-funding of eligible costs incurred by the applicant while implementing the project using national funds (so-called own contribution specified in the grant agreement) – pursuant to the Communication by the Minister of Science and Higher Education of 28 June 2019, on establishing the programme: "International co-financed projects" and call for proposals, as amended.

Internal regulations:

Pursuant to the Ordinance no 56 by JU Rector 11 July 2016 on: terms and conditions of the procedure for preparing and implementing projects funded from external sources at Jagiellonian University, persons interested in entering the call will deliver to the RSC:

- **by 31 January 2022:**
 - **an educational/other project entry form alongside a VAT eligibility form** using the electronic system **JU Project Zone** at: www.cwn.uj.edu.pl->tab "Project Zone";
 - **draft version of the proposal** (electronic version of the proposal in the form of a pdf file sent to the address of the call assistant at the Research Support Centre (RSC);
- **by 7 February 2022 (10:00 a.m., the final version of the proposal** (electronic version sent as a pdf file to the address of the call assistant at the RSC, signed with a qualified electronic



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signature or a scanned pdf printout with handwritten signatures, or a pdf without signatures supported with an email declaration of its acceptance) – signatures required: author/principal investigator, doctoral school director, dean/head of the entity co-hosting or funding the project.

Out of concern for the quality of the submitted projects, especially in terms of meeting formal requirements, you are encouraged you to deliver the documents to the RSC well ahead of the above mentioned deadlines.

With queries and doubts regarding preparing the proposals you are welcome to contact the call assistant at the RSC , Agata Kozielska, phone 12 663 30 04, email: agata.kozielska@uj.edu.pl

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