



Marie Curie Initial Training Networks (MC-ITN)

The European Commission has published the next call of Marie-Curie Initial Training Networks.

Marie Curie Initial Training Networks (ITN) are aimed at improving the career perspectives of researchers who are in the first five years of their career.

Publication: The European Commission has published the Call for proposals under the 2010 work programme 'People' of the 7th EC Framework Programme for Research, Technological Development and Demonstration Activities in the Official Journal of the European Union (2009/C 213/07)

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About: All Marie Curie actions have a bottom-up approach, i.e. research fields are chosen freely by the applicants. All domains of research and technological development addressed under the EC Treaty are eligible for funding (except areas of research covered by the EURATOM Treaty)

This action addresses joint research training networks in the form of either multi- or mono-partner ITNs

Eligibility of Networks:

Multi-partner ITN networks comprise at least three full network partners (e.g. universities, public non-commercial research centres, non-profit or charitable organisations, commercial companies, SMEs etc) established in at least three different Member States or Associated countries and proposing a coherent and integrated research training programme.

Mono-partner ITNs include a single participant and a network of associated partners. The single participant shall be established in a Member State or Associated country. The organisation involved must have well-established trans-national collaborations with other research institutes that can contribute actively to the research training programme

Eligibility of researchers: The main aim of the ITN is the training of Early-Stage Researchers (ESR). As a general rule Early-Stage Researchers must be recruited in significantly higher proportions compared to Experienced Researchers (ER). Typically the share of ESR researcher months should be 100% but the minimum expected is 80%.

Early-stage researchers are those who are, at the time of selection by the host institution, in the first four years (full-time equivalent) of their research careers.

The length of individual appointments for an ESR will be at least 3 months up to 3 years.

Experienced researchers must, at the time of selection by the host organisation: - either be in possession of a doctoral degree, irrespective of the time taken to acquire it, - or have at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience. In both cases, they should have less than 5 years of full-time equivalent research experience.

The length of individual appointments for an ER will be at least 3 months up to 2 years.

It should be noted that an individual researcher may not be recruited first as an ESR and subsequently as an ER in the same network.

Mobility of researchers: Researchers are normally required to undertake trans-national mobility (i.e. move from one country to another) when taking up their appointment. At the time of selection by the host organisation, researchers must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in the country of their host organisation

for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to their recruitment.

Funding: The financial support for Marie Curie Networks for Initial Training is calculated on the basis of eligible activities and takes the form of grants covering up to 100% of the budget.

There is not an official upper budget limit for individual networks but it is expected that the total costs that cover living and mobility allowance, expenses of eligible researchers among others for a network ranges within 2-4 M€

Deadline to submit proposals: 26 January 2011

Indicative evaluation and contractual timetable: Evaluation results are estimated to be available 4 months after the relevant deadline for submission.

Grant agreement signature: expected from within 9 months after the relevant deadline for submission.

The usual duration of funding for Initial Training Networks is four years from the start date of the grant agreement.

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Us informem de la propera convocatòria Marie-Curie Initial Training Networks.

Objecte: atorgar ajuts per finançar xarxes científiques que cobreixin la recerca de joves investigadors amb menys de 5 anys d'experiència. Les accions Marie Curie poden cobrir totes les àrees (bottom-up approach)

Sol·licitants: Cada proposta ha d'incloure un mínim de 3 socis que pertanyin a 3 països membres de la Unió Europea o països associats (Multi-partner ITN). Alternativament es poden presentar Mono-partner ITNs amb un únic participant europeu i una xarxa de socis associats de tercers països.

Dotació i durada: Les xarxes cobreixen el 100% de despeses elegibles de personal contractat i la seva recerca associada. No hi ha un finançament superior límit per a cada xarxa, però s'espera que totes les activitats es puguin cobrir amb un màxim de 2 a 4 milions d'euros.

Presentació de sol·licituds:

El termini de presentació de les propostes és el 26 de gener del 2011.

A l'Institut de Recerca posem a la vostra disposició les bases de la convocatòria. També les podreu trobar clicant el següent enllaç:

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