



MSCA International Cooperation Call 2021

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MSCA: a very strong international dimension

- MSCA = most international component of the Framework Programme (more than half of total third countries' participations)
- Study on MSCA International cooperation*: assessment FP7/H2020 + recommendations for HE

Country	Participations (organisations)/share in H2020	Number of different organisations involved	Researchers (nationals)	Hosting	Success rate
US	1419 / 72%	328	776	2315	19.68 (OCEF 19.88)
CA	234 / 53%	62	313	344	18.47
JP	133 / 63%	60	222	710	22.74
AU	212 / 61%	48	244	485	19.56
CN	225 / 39%	113	1935	888	23.32
IN	26 / 15%	23	1930	31	13.27
BR	104 / 42%	53	555	404	20.59
ZA	79 / 29%	34	196	225	16.09 (OCAF 20.26)
KE	20 / 16%	15	48	68	14.39
MA	41 / 50%	22	243	231	25
AR	159 / 68%	47	722	410	29.66
MY	30 / 70%	13	145	58	22.73
UA	80 / 27%	49	657	233	14.63 (AC12.96)
TN	22 / 25%	15	182	42	19.82
CH	1061 / 22%	198	206	1338	13.87
UK	5100 / 30%	872	1631	5980	14.93
AT	712 / 15%	186	400	1093	13.81 (MS 13.23)
EE	92 / 11%	29	111	126	12.6
HR	71 / 5%	44	205	75	10.96

*<https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/8a0708b0-216d-11ea-95ab-01aa1/language-en>

The information in this presentation is preliminary and subject to the adoption of the work programme

Global Approach to cooperation on R&I

- Commitment to international openness and fundamental values
- Re-balancing towards level playing field and reciprocity (targeted roadmaps: framework conditions + milestones; foreign interference guidelines)
- Multilateral cooperation (green, digital, health, innovation)
- Modulating cooperation with priority countries/regions
 - **More focus on human capital development, leveraging MSCA international outreach at policy level**
 - **Address reciprocity/mobility flows/matching funds issues during bilateral R&I dialogues**
 - **Makes MSCA cooperation more in line with R&I priorities and EU external objectives and interests**
 - **New dedicated CSA to support this process**

MSCA INCO Call: expected outcomes

- **Broader and more strategic promotion of international cooperation opportunities in MSCA**
- **Monitoring progress, opportunities and challenges with main international partner countries and regions**
- **Strengthening complementarities with other relevant promotion and cooperation initiatives funded through Horizon Europe and other EU programmes**

MSCA INCO Call: geographic scope

- **Bilateral level: countries with bilateral S&T Agreements with the EU** (*Algeria, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Egypt, India, Japan, Jordan, Korea, Mexico, Morocco, New Zealand, Russia, South Africa, Tunisia, Ukraine and the United States*)
- **Regional level: established R&I bi-regional policy dialogues** (*African Union, ASEAN, Eastern Partnership countries, LAC, Mediterranean partner countries, Western Balkans*)

MSCA INCO Call: activities (1/3)

Policy support to bilateral/bi-regional cooperation:

- Identifying main cooperation trends/opportunities/challenges/gaps
- Assessing existing cooperation mechanisms
- Identifying main/on-going/planned initiatives/networks to build-upon
- Preparing background reports ahead of policy dialogues/joint committee meetings
- Contributing to newsletters/periodic reports from existing local relays

MSCA INCO Call: activities (2/3)

Promotion of MSCA cooperation opportunities:

- Identifying promotion events/opportunities
- Liaison/coordination with local relays (EU Delegations, Euraxess WW, etc...)
- Organising MSCA info/training sessions
- Liaison with NCP coordination platform

MSCA INCO Call: activities (3/3)

Cross-cutting activities:

- **Analysing consistency with bilateral/bi-regional R&I cooperation roadmaps and people-to-people dialogues**
- **Synergies with promotion events and activities related to Horizon Europe, including ERC or COST, and other programmes (Erasmus+)**

MSCA INCO Call conditions

- **Coordination and Support Action (CSA): only one project to be selected**
- **Max EU funding 2M€**
- **Expected duration 36 months**
- **Opening 22 June 2021; closing 05 October 2021**

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it is only to be understood.
Now is the time to understand
more, so that **we may fear less.**

– Marie Curie



Thank you!