MSCA European Postdoctoral Fellowships 2024

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Call essentials

- The call is open to researchers of any nationality.
- Candidates have to be in possession of a doctoral degree and have a maximum of 8 years full-time equivalent (FTE) experience in research, measured from the date of award of the first doctoral degree. All applicants that have received their PhD after 13/09/2015 are automatically eligible to apply provided the remaining eligibility criteria are met (see also self-assessment tool https://rea.ec.europa.eu/document/download/f6ea42a3-6558-4e2b-8494-bf21e75f7004_en?filename=EXT_eligibility_support%20tool%20for%208%20years_2023_final.xlsx).
- The standard duration of these fellowships must be between 12 and 24 months.
- Call website (**HORIZON-MSCA-2024-PF-01-01**) https://marie-sklodowska-curie-actions.ec.europa.eu/calls/msca-postdoctoral-fellowships-2024.
- Note: Due to CERN Regulations we cannot host "Global Postdoctoral Fellowships"

TH process

- Once the call is open TH will publish a job advert on SmartRecruiters and distribute through TH-world. Everyone is encouraged to share the information separately with potential candidates (TH SmartRecrtuiters job advert https://jobs.smartrecruiters.com/ni/CERN/eb247511-0d39-4456-a0e8-534e5d195d2a-msca-pf-th-2024).
- To be considered by TH every applicant has to complete the SmartRecruiters application.
- We will discuss applicants in TH Staff meetings and agree whom to accept during the period April-July.
- One staff member per candidate is identified as TH contact and supervisor.
- Accepted candidates start preparing their application and will be provided with supporting material and information by Ingrid Haug.
- Candidates are provided with help by HR and also the Swiss National Contact point (see resources below).
- TH tops up the successful candidate's salary to correspond to the one of normal fellows.

EDH process

- For each accepted applicant Andreas creates an internal EDH document EDH document.
- Every TH contact/supervisor completes the HE Marie Curie (MSCA) template, which then needs to be attached to the EDH document.
- Once submitted the document requires approval of the directorate (submission deadline 21.08.2024)

Important dates:

- 23.04.2024 Call opening
- 30.06.2024 TH-internal deadline -- this is a soft deadline intended to encourage early applications
- 30.08.2024 Ingrid Haug is happy to check the admin aspects of your submission if you share your application with her by that date
- 21.08.2024 submit EDH document
- 11.09.2024 Deadline for submitting proposals to the European Commission
- 02.2025 Notification of call results

Resources

- On TH website https://theory.cern/staff/guidelines-msca-postdoctoral-fellowship some dos and dont's while writing the application
- half-day applicant training by national contact point (to be announced to applicants once or if available)
- screening of proposals by national contact point (to be announced to applicants once or if available)
- There is a "How to apply" by the European Commission: https://marie-sklodowska-curie-actions.ec.europa.eu/actions/how-to-apply
- We will update the following CERNBox folder with additional material and information: https://cernbox.cern.ch/files/spaces/eos/user/i/ischmid/Postdoctoral%20Fellowships%20(former%20IF)/Info-applicants%202024?items-per-page=100&view-mode=resource-table&tiles-size=1&sort-by=mdate&sort-dir=desc