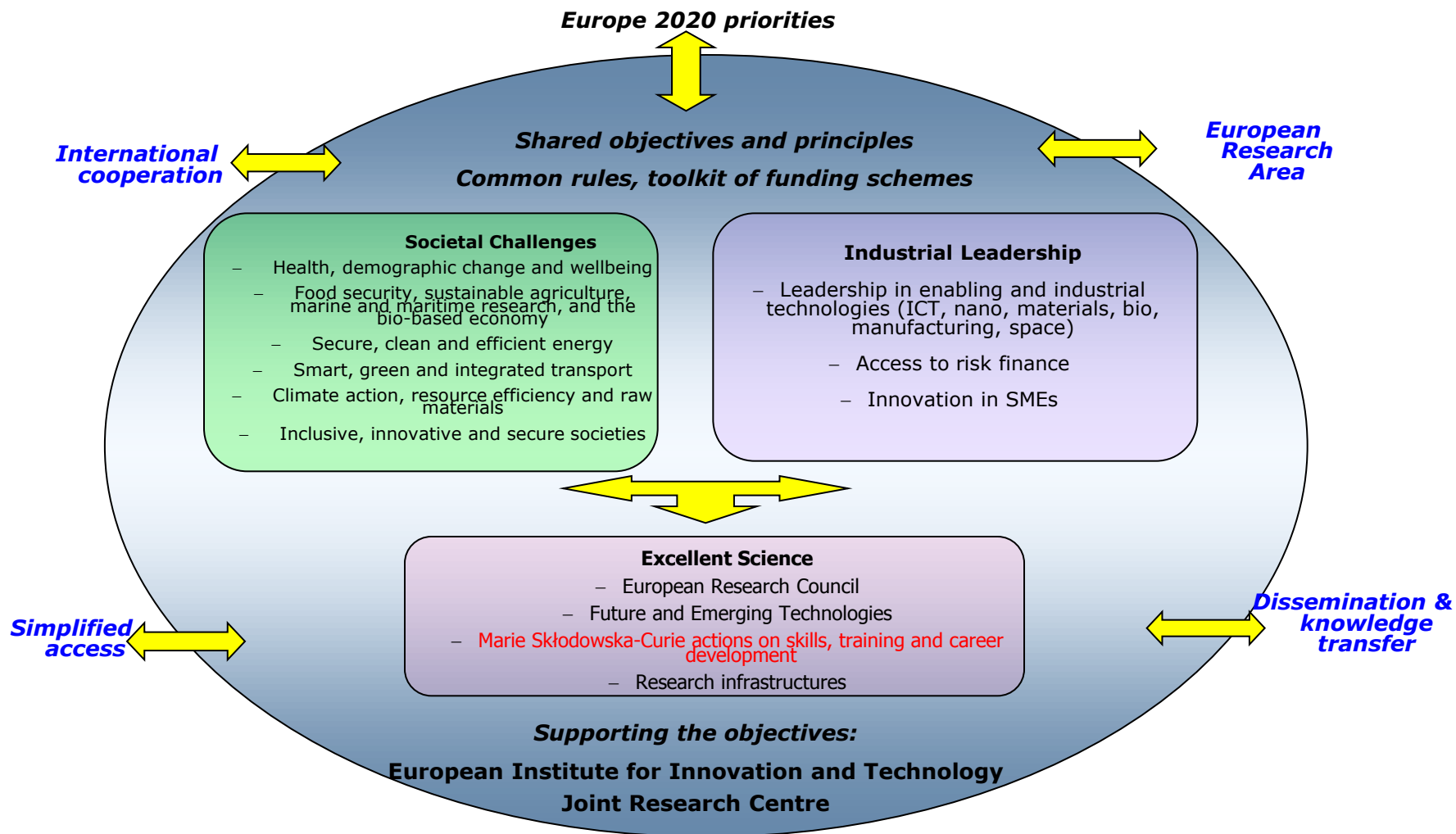




Marie Skłodowska-Curie COFUND in Horizon 2020

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H2020 priorities



Excellent Science - *Priority I*

- ✓ European Research Council
- ✓ Future and Emerging Technologies
- ✓ Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions
- ✓ Research Infrastructures

Industrial leadership - *Priority II*

- ✓ Leadership in enabling and industrial technologies
- ✓ Access to risk finance
- ✓ Innovation in SMEs

Societal challenges - *Priority III*

- ✓ Health, demographic change and wellbeing
- ✓ Food security, sustainable agriculture, marine and maritime research, bio-economy
- ✓ Secure, clean and efficient energy
- ✓ Smart, green and integrated transport
- ✓ Climate action, resource efficiency and raw materials
- ✓ Inclusive, innovative and reflective societies
- ✓ Security

MSCA Objective

Ensure the optimum development and dynamic use of Europe's intellectual capital in order to generate new skills, knowledge and innovation

Budget 2014-2020: 6 162 million €

Definitions



- ✓ **Academic sector:** public or private HEI awarding academic degrees, public or private non-profit research organisations, international European interest organisations
- ✓ **Non-academic sector:** any socio-economic actor not included in the academic sector definition
- ✓ **Beneficiaries** => signatories of the grant agreement
- ✓ **Partner organisations** => not signing the grant agreement
- ✓ Categories of researchers: **ESR** and **ER** – in line with FP7 approach
- ✓ **Full time research equivalent** and **mobility** rule – following FP7 approach

MSCA: 4 Actions



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**European Training Networks, European Industrial
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REA

- ✓ Mono-beneficiary
- ✓ Legal entities (public and private) established in MS or AC and international European interest organisations



**Doctoral
Programmes**



**Fellowship
Programmes**



MSCA to foster excellence throughout Europe

Objective

- ✓ stimulate regional, national or international programmes to foster excellence in researchers' training, mobility and career development

Scope

- ✓ international, intersectoral and interdisciplinary **research training**, as well as transnational and cross-sector **mobility** of researchers at all stages of their career
- ✓ Possibilities of synergies with structural funds
- ✓ Opportunities for **researchers from all countries**
- ✓ Researchers to comply with the mobility rules of the MSCA
- ✓ Open and transparent recruitment, vacancies widely publicised

Expected Impact

- ✓ exploit synergies between European Union actions and those at regional, national, and international level
- ✓ leverage funding and combat fragmentation

COFUND – Main features



- ✓ **Budget:** € 80 Million in 2014 (Doctoral Programmes: 30 Mio)
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- ✓ Maximum **€ 10 Million per single applicant** per call
- ✓ Duration of projects: minimum 3 years, maximum 5 years (including the time taken to publish calls and recruit researchers)
- ✓ **Fellowships: minimum 3 months**
- ✓ EU contribution to cover **living allowances for researchers and management costs**
- ✓ **50% co-funding for established unit costs**
- ✓ Minimum living allowance fixed in the WP

COFUND – Main features



- ✓ Each single application must only address the doctoral or fellowship programme, but
- ✓ More than one application can be submitted
- ✓ Recruited researchers must respect the same mobility rule as MSCA actions. Existing programmes can continue with own mobility rule if well-justified.
- ✓ Unless prohibited by national legislation all fellows, including doctoral fellows, must be recruited on a work contract.
- ✓ In the doctoral programme all fellows must be registered for a PhD



Synergies with European Structural and Investment Funds (ESIF)

- ✓ Support regional policies by internationalisation of human resources in research
- ✓ Possibility to support programmes that prioritise specific scientific disciplines based on smart specialisation strategies
- ✓ Cost items other than living allowance and management (such as research costs, travel and mobility allowances, overheads) may be funded through other resources including EU programmes other than Horizon 2020 (e.g. ESIF)

Award criteria: COFUND



Excellence (50%)	Impact (30%)	Implementation (20%)
Quality of the selection / recruitment process for the researchers (transparency, composition and organisation of selection committees, evaluation criteria, equal opportunity)	Enhancing research- and innovation-related human resources, skills and working conditions to realise the potential of individuals and to provide new career perspectives	Overall coherence, effectiveness and appropriateness of the work plan
Quality of the research options offered by the programme in terms of science, interdisciplinarity, intersectorality and level of transnational mobility	Impact of the programme on aligning practices at participating organisations with principles set out by the EU for the human resources development in research and innovation	Appointment conditions of researchers
Quality of career guidance and training , including supervision arrangements, training in transferable skills	Effectiveness of the proposed measures for communication and results dissemination of the programmes	Competence of the participant to implement the programme

COFUND – EU contribution



50% of unit cost

- ✓ EU contribution to **living allowance** for contracts with full social security:
 - Early stage researchers (ESR): € 1855 per person-month
 - Experienced researchers (ER): € 2625 per person-month
- ✓ EU contribution to **management costs**: € 325 per person-month

Example (Fellowship programme – ER)

Cost item	Total cost [€ per person-month]	EU contribution [€ per person-month]
Living allowance	4800	2625
Mobility allowance	500	
Research costs	500	
Management costs	600	325
Indirect costs	600	
Total	7000	2950

✓ Minimum amounts for monthly living + mobility allowances:

- ESR: € 2597
- ER: € 3675

✓ Other cost items may be funded through other resources (including ESIF funds)



NB – in the exceptional case where fellows are recruited on a stipend the EU COFUND contribution is further halved

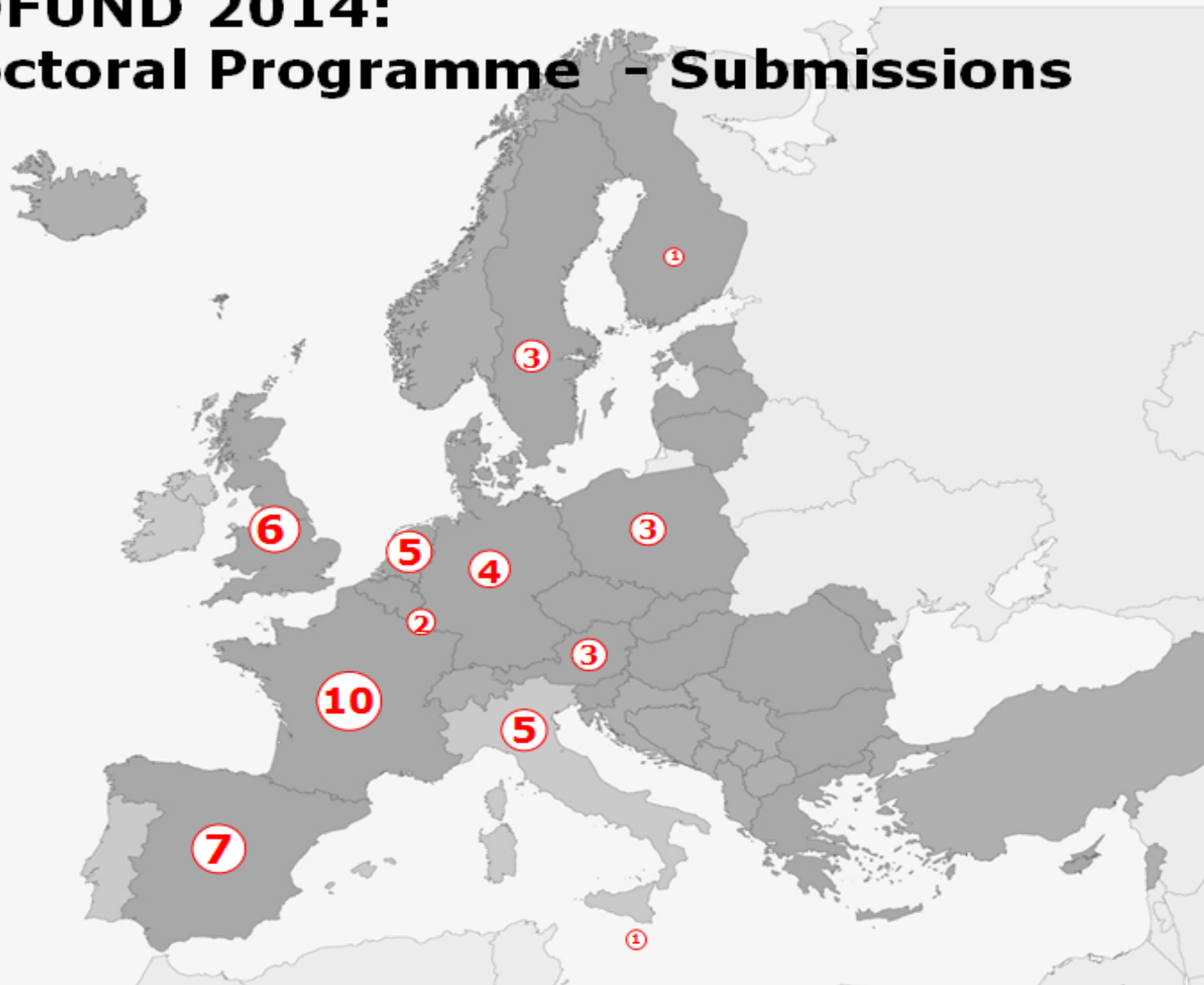
Calls



ITN	11/12/2013 – 9/04/2014 2/09/2014 – 13/01/2015	EUR 405.18 million in 2014 EUR 370 million in 2015
IF	12/03/2014 – 11/09/2014 12/03/2015 – 10/09/2015	EUR 240.50 million in 2014 EUR 213.00 million in 2015
RISE	11/12/2014 – 24/04/2014 6/01/2015 – 28/04/2015	EUR 70.00 million in 2014 EUR 80.00 million in 2015
COFUND	10/04/2014 – 2/10/2014 14/04/2014 – 1/10/2015	EUR 80.00 million in 2014 EUR 80.00 million in 2015
NIGHT	11/12/2014 – 4/03/2014	EUR 8.00 million



COFUND 2014: Doctoral Programme - Submissions



FI	1
MT	1
LU	2
AT	3
PL	3
SE	3
DE	4
IT	5
NL	5
UK	6
ES	7
FR	10
Total	50



COFUND 2014: Doctoral Programme - Mainlist



AT	1
PL	1
IT	1
NL	2
UK	2
ES	1
FR	3

Total	11
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COFUND 2014: Fellowship Programme -Submissions



AT	1
CZ	1
DK	1
EE	1
IL	1
NL	1
PT	1
SE	1
BE	2
CH	2
PL	2
IE	3
DE	4
UK	4
FR	7
IT	7
ES	12
IEIO	2
Total	53



COFUND 2014: Fellowship Programme -Mainlist



CZ	1
BE	1
CH	1
PL	1
IE	1
DE	1
UK	1
FR	1
IT	1
ES	1
IEIO	2
Total	12



Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Website

<http://ec.europa.eu/mariecurieactions>

Horizon 2020

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/horizon2020>

Participant Portal (applications)

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/home>

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***Merci pour votre
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