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Timetable

2015	
January – February	Preparation of the first draft WP 2016-2017
12 March	First discussion with PC configuration
27 March	Deadline for written comments
07-08 May	Second round of discussion with PC configuration
09 July	Vote on the WP 2016-2017
Beginning of September	EC - Preparation of written procedure for the adoption
Second half of September	Adoption of the WP for 2016-2017 + publication of the calls for proposals

IT tool for the WP

- ✓ Increased coherence: standard structure and format for the WP
- ✓ Published information on PP is the same as in the adopted WP (single source for both)
- ✓ Minor modifications of the MSCA WP structure would be needed, e.g.
 - Introducing a 'virtual' topic covering the entire call;
 - Clarifying types of actions;
 - Moving the duration of projects from call conditions to either the scope description or to the annexes

MSCA WP 2016-2017

- ✓ Based on MSCA Scoping paper 2016-2017
- ✓ Strong continuity of 2014-2015 approach
- ✓ Key features remain unchanged
- ✓ Further involvement of the non-academic sector
- ✓ Encompassing elements of Open Science in the training of researchers

MSCA 2016-2017 Calls

- ✓ Yearly calls in ITN, IF, RISE and COFUND
- ✓ Single NIGHT call in 2016 covering two years of activities
- ✓ Single NCP call in 2017 (follow-up of the running project)
- ✓ Call schedule based on the 2015 timetable
- ✓ Budget: status quo in 2016; slight increase in 2017



Non call-based activities

- ✓ Expert evaluators
- ✓ Studies: mobility aspects, multi- and interdisciplinarity in MSCA projects, SME participation in MSCA, best practices in supervision
- ✓ Mid-term evaluation of MSCA in H2020
- ✓ Dissemination of results of projects
- ✓ Alumni
- ✓ Platform for supervisors

Industrial Fellowships

- ✓ To strengthen the non-academic sector participation in IF
- ✓ Hosts from the non-academic sector only
- ✓ Hosts to be located in EU MS/AC
- ✓ Fellowships of 12-24 months
- ✓ Standard mobility rule to apply
- ✓ Multidisciplinary evaluation panel
- ✓ Dedicated budget (EUR 10 million)

Award criteria

- ✓ Linking better the impact criterion to the expected impact statements
- ✓ Introducing the innovation aspects in IF criteria
- ✓ Clarifying dissemination and communication elements
- ✓ Aligning the MSCA framework to the overall H2020 modifications

Evaluation process

- ✓ Increasing number of proposals
- ✓ Quality of the assessment: availability of specialists, workload of evaluators, representatives of the non-academic sector
- ✓ Limited capacity of the evaluation facilities – extended central evaluation period
- ✓ Resources, efficiency and effectiveness of the process
- ✓ Possible adjustments in 2016-2017