The Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE) promotes international and cross-sector collaboration through exchanging research and innovation staff, and sharing knowledge and ideas from research to market (and vice-versa). Support is provided for the development of partnerships in the form of a joint research and innovation project. This is aimed at knowledge sharing via international as well as intersectoral mobility, based on secondments of research and innovation staff (exchanges) with an in-built return mechanism. RISE should exploit complementary competences of the participating organisations, as well as other synergies, and enable networking activities, organisation of workshops and conferences to facilitate sharing of knowledge, new skills acquisition and career development for research and innovation staff members. RISE follows a bottom-up approach, i.e. research fields are chosen freely by the applicants.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

» Networks consist of at least three participants from three different countries, of which at least two must be EU Member States (MS) and/or H2020-Associated Countries (AC).

» Participants can be from the academic and the non-academic sector (in particular SMEs). If all participants are from the same sector, at least one participant must be from a third country (i.e. not MS/AC)

» Activities can focus on one dimension of mobility (intersectoral / international), or a combination of both: Between institutions in MS/AC only intersectoral secondments are covered; exchanges with institutions from third countries can be intersectoral secondments as well as secondments within the same sector. Between institutions located in third countries or within the same MS or AC, no secondments are supported.

» Secondments are possible for researchers of any nationality (early stage or experienced) as well as administrative, managerial and technical staff involved in the research and innovation activities of the project. They must be actively engaged in or linked to research and/or innovation activities for at least one month (full-time equivalent) at their institution before being seconded.

DEFINITIONS

» Academic sector: Public or private higher education establishments awarding academic degrees, public or private non-profit research organisations whose primary mission is to pursue research, and international European interest organisations.

» Non-Academic sector: Any socio-economic actor not included in the academic sector (e.g. private enterprise companies, hospitals, museums, ministries, etc.)

FACTS

Specific Programme: Excellent Science: Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

Project duration: max. 48 months
Budget: EUR 80 million (2018)
Next Call: H2020-MSCA-RISE-2018
Call opens: 22 November 2017
Deadline: 21 March 2018
FUNDING

The contribution of the European Commission will cover the activities of the seconded staff as well as part of the costs for the implementation of the project.

The overall European Union contribution for RISE projects is limited to the secondment of a maximum 540 person-months.

Secondments can have a duration of 1-12 months and may be split into several stays (if justified).

**Contribution to costs for staff members [person/month]:**

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*to be fully used to support travel, accommodation and subsistence costs for the staff member during the secondment. The salary of the seconded staff or any other type of remuneration is not covered by the EU contribution.

**Contribution to institutional costs [person/month]:**

| Research, training and networking costs | 1.800 € |
| Management and indirect costs         | 700 €   |

LINKS

https://www.ffg.at/europa/h2020/msca/rise  
http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/about/research-innovation-staff-exchange_en  

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