

MARIE CURIE INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH STAFF EXCHANGE SCHEME (IRSES)

- **Call identifier:** *FP7-PEOPLE-2012-IRSES*
- **Date of publication:** 20 July 2011
- **Deadline:** 18 January 2012 at 17.00.00, Brussels local time¹
- **Indicative budget:** *EUR 30 million* of the 2012 budget². The final budget awarded to this call, following the evaluation of projects, may however vary up to 10% of the total value of this call.
- **Topics called:**

ACTION	Funding Schemes
<i>Marie Curie International Research Staff Exchange Scheme</i>	<i>Support for training and career development of researchers</i>

- **Eligibility conditions:**
 - The general eligibility criteria are set out in Annex 2 to this work programme, and in the guide for applicants. Please note that the completeness criterion also includes that part B of the proposal shall be readable, accessible and printable.
- **Additional eligibility criteria**
 - This action addresses partnership composed of at least two independent "[research organisations](#)" established in at least two different Member States or associated countries, and one or more "[research organisations](#)" either located in countries with which the European Union has or is in the process of negotiating an S&T agreement, or in countries covered by the European Neighbourhood Policy³.
 - For further details concerning these conditions you must refer to the core text of the work programme.
 - Only information provided in Part A of the proposal will be used to determine whether the proposal is eligible with respect to the minimum number of eligible participants.
- **Evaluation procedure:**
 - The evaluation criteria (including weights and thresholds) and sub-criteria together with the eligibility, selection and award criteria, for the different funding actions are set out in Annex 2 to this work programme.
 - Proposal page limits: Applicants must ensure that proposals conform to the page limits and layout given in the Guide for Applicants, and in the proposal part B template available through the EPSS. The experts will be instructed to disregard any pages exceeding these limits.
 - The minimum font size allowed is 11 points. The page size is A4, and all margins (top, bottom, left and right) should be at least 15 mm (not including any footers or headers).

¹ The Director-General responsible may delay this deadline by up to two months.

² Under the condition that the draft budget for 2012 is adopted without modification by the budgetary authority.

³ And which are not associated countries for the purpose of FP7.

- A single-stage submission and evaluation procedure will be used.
- Proposals will not be evaluated anonymously.
- Proposals may be evaluated remotely.
- The procedure for prioritising proposals with equal scores is described in Annex 2 to this work programme.
- Proposals will be evaluated in a single multi-disciplinary panel and there will be a single ranked list.
- **Indicative evaluation and contractual timetable:**
 - Evaluation results are estimated to be available within 4 months after the relevant deadline for submission.
 - Grant agreement signature: expected from within 9 months after the relevant deadline for submission.
- **Consortia agreements:** EU Member States and associated country participants in actions resulting from this call are NOT required to conclude a consortium agreement.
- **Forms of grants and maximum reimbursement rates:** The forms of grants and maximum reimbursement rates which will be offered are specified in Annex 3 to this work programme.