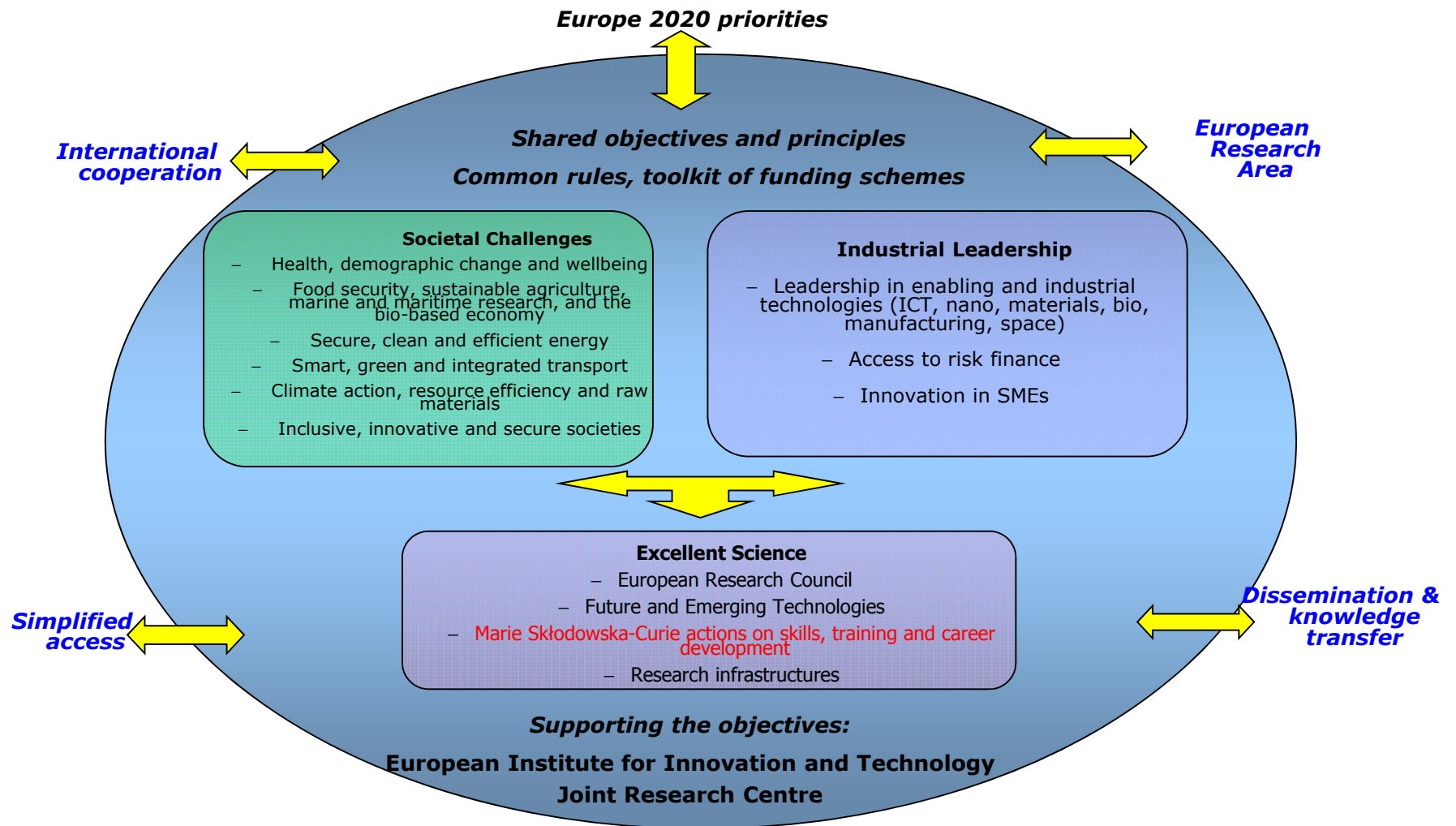




Marie Skłodowska-Curie COFUND in Horizon 2020

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H2020 priorities



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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



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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MSCA: COFUND



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Innovative Training Networks

Support for doctoral and early-stage training
European Training Networks, European Industrial
Doctorates, European Joint Doctorates

Individual Fellowships

Support for experienced researchers undertaking
international and inter-sector mobility: European
Fellowships and Global Fellowships
Dedicated support for career restart and reintegration

Research and Innovation Staff Exchange
International and inter-sector cooperation
through the exchange of staff

Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes

- Doctoral programmes
- Fellowship programmes

ITN



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Early-stage
Researchers

IEF



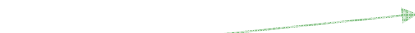
IOF



IIF



CIG



IF
Experienced
Researchers

IAPP



IRSES



RISE
Exchange of
Staff

COFUND



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



**Doctoral
Programmes**



**Fellowship
Programmes**

COFUND



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 2016 (Doctoral Programmes: 30 Mio)
- ✓ 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



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| Excellence | Impact | Quality and efficiency of the implementation |
|---|--|---|
| Quality of the selection / recruitment process for the researchers (transparency, composition and organisation of selection committees, evaluation criteria, equal opportunity) | Enhancing the potential and future career perspectives of researchers; Strengthening human resources on regional, national or international level | 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 | Aligning practices of participating organisations with the principles set out by the EU for human resources development in research and innovation | Appointment conditions of researchers |
| Quality of career guidance and training, including supervision arrangements, training in transferable skills | Quality of the proposed measures to exploit and disseminate the results | Competence of the participant to implement the programme |
| | Quality of the proposed measures to communicate the results to different target audiences | |
| Weighting | | |
| 50% | 30% | 20% |
| Priority in case of ex aequo | | |
| 1 | 2 | 3 |

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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)

- ✓ Minimum amounts for monthly living + mobility allowances:
 - ESR: € 2597
 - ER: € 3675

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

| 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 |

COFUND –
EU contribution



50% of unit cost

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

Calls

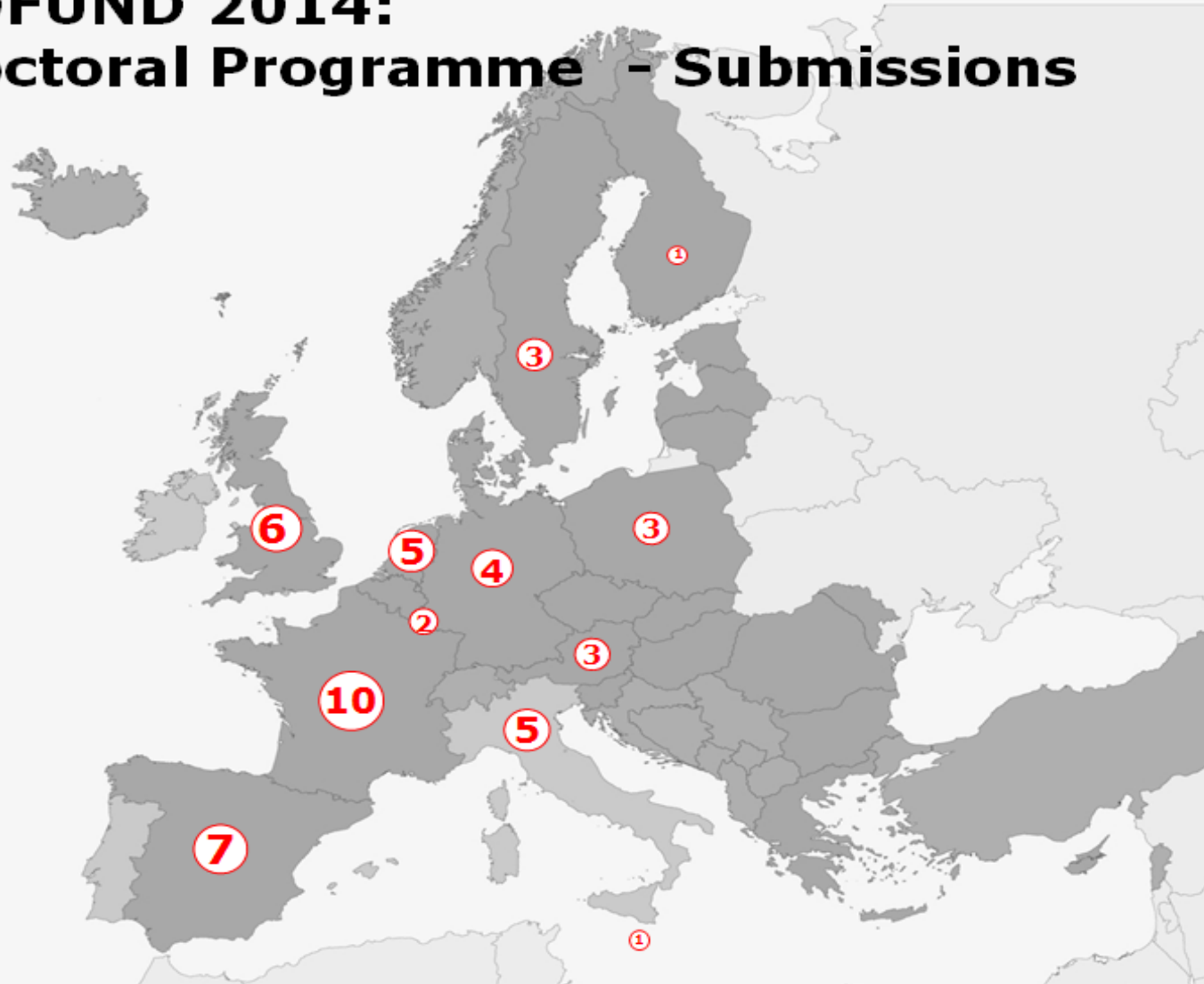


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| Call | Opening | Closure | Budget |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| ITN 2016 ITN 2017 | closed 15/09/2016 | 10/01/2017 | 430 million € |
| IF 2016 IF 2017 | 12/04/2016 11/04/2017 | 14/09/2016 14/09/2017 | 218,5 million € 248 million € |
| RISE 2016 RISE 2017 | 08/12/2015 01/12/2016 | 28/04/2016 05/04/2017 | 80 million € 80 million € |
| COFUND 2016 COFUND 2017 | 14/04/2016 05/04/2017 | 29/09/2016 28/09/2017 | 80 million € 80 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 |



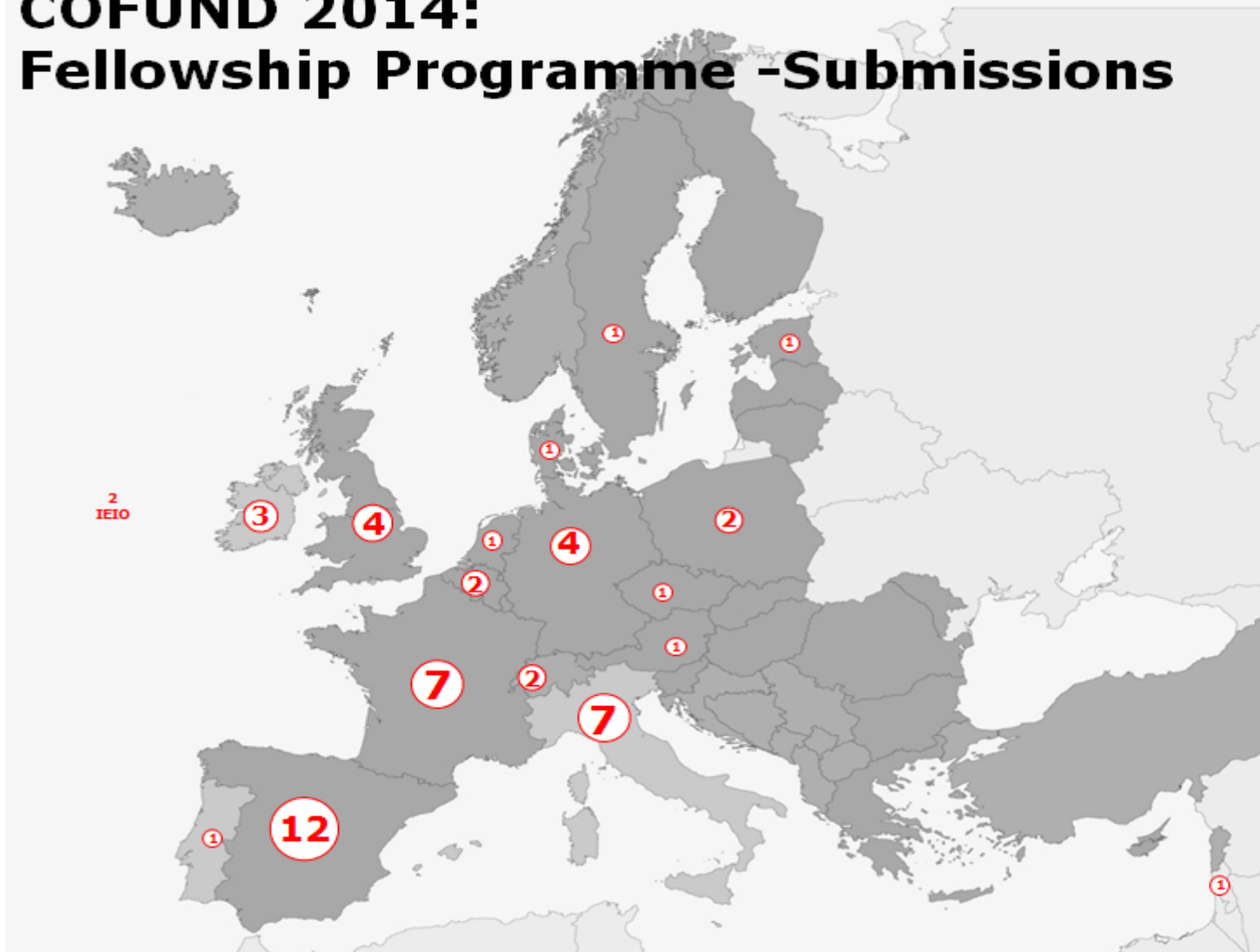
COFUND 2014: Doctoral Programme - Mainlist



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| AT | 1 |
| PL | 1 |
| IT | 1 |
| NL | 2 |
| UK | 2 |
| ES | 1 |
| FR | 3 |
| Total | 11 |



COFUND 2014: Fellowship Programme -Submissions



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|--------------|-----------|
| 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



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| 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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Nothing in life is to be feared
just **understood**.

- Marie Curie

