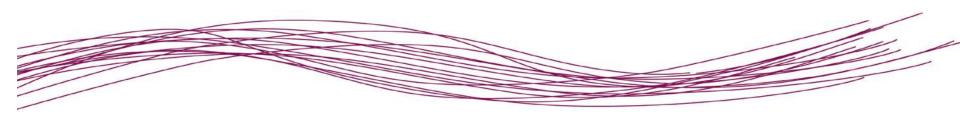


Helsinki, 27 September 2012

Mid-Term Review Meeting MeChanlCs



Research Executive Agency

Marie Curie host-driven actions







Structure of the presentation

- 1. FP7 in general and the Marie Curie Actions in particular
- 2. Industry-Academia Partnerships and Pathways (IAPP)
- 3. Purpose of the Mid-term review meeting
- 4. Opportunities for researchers: Individual fellowships
- 5. Eligible costs



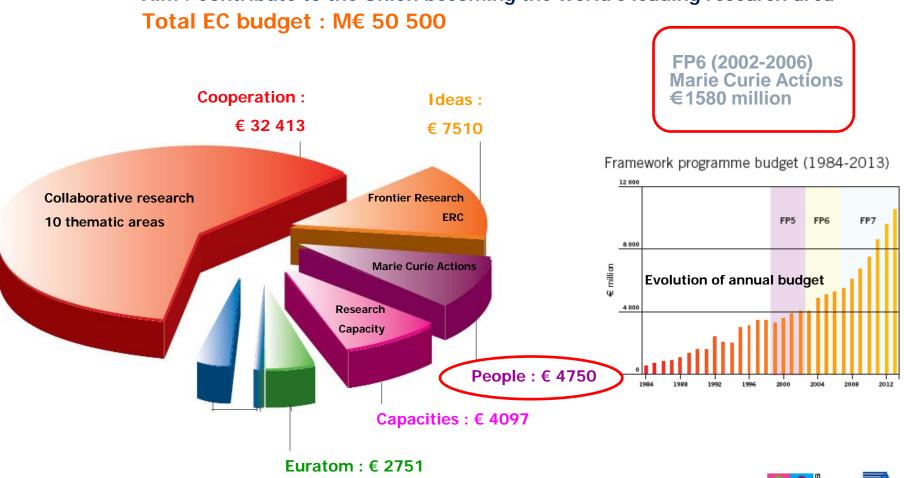




FP7 overview (2007-2013)

EU's main instrument for funding research

Aim : Contribute to the Union becoming the world's leading research area



Nuclear research







People Programme in FP7

People programme = Marie Curie Actions

From pure mobility actions to a dedicated programme for structuring training, mobility and career development

Objectives:

- Strengthening the human potential in R&D in Europe
- Stimulate people to enter into the profession of researcher
- Encouraging researchers to stay in Europe
- Attracting researchers from around the world
- Addressed to researchers at all stages of their careers







The People Programme in FP7

Initial training

Initial Training Networks (ITN)



Life-long training and career development

Intra-European Fellowships (IEF) / Career Integration Grants (CIG) Co-funding of regional, national and international programmes (COFUND)



Industry dimension

Industry-Academia Partnerships and Pathways (IAPP)



International dimension

Outgoing & Incoming International Fellowships (IIF & IOF); International Research Staff Exchange Scheme (IRSES)



Policy support actions

Researchers' Night; EURAXESS









IAPP







Objectives:

- 1. Foster co-operation between non-commercial research organisations & commercial enterprises based on joint research projects
- 2. Stimulate long-term collaboration between sectors through secondment of researchers between the public & private research domains
- 3. Diverse career possibilities & research experience for researchers, knowledge sharing/cultural exchange







Participant rules: type of beneficiaries

- ✓ At least ONE non-commercial organisation
- ✓ At least ONE commercial enterprises

Non-Commercial participants

- Universities/research centres
- Non-profit or charitable organisations
- International European interest organisations
- Joint Research Centre of European Commission
- International organisations (WHO, UNESCO)

Commercial participants

- Commercial enterprises of <u>ALL</u> sizes (incl. SMEs, spin offs, start ups)
- National organisations if commercial







Participant rules: Countries where beneficiaries are located

- ✓ Located in at least 2 different MS/AC
- Additional participants from anywhere in world
 - EU Member States (MS)
 - Associated Countries (AC): Switzerland, Israel, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Turkey, Croatia, FYROM, Serbia, Albania and Montenegro
 - International Cooperation Partner Countries (ICPC):
 based on three categories according to income per capita
 (low-income, lower-middle-income, or upper-middle-income)
 - Other Third Countries (OTC)







Typical IAPP Activities

Joint Research Project

- ✓ Research of mutual interest to all partners
- ✓ Milestones & deliverables
- ✓ Secondments underpin co-operation between partners in different sectors
- ✓ Possibility to recruit experienced researchers

Networking Activities

- ✓ Organisation of scientific/managerial network meetings
- ✓ Invitation of external experts
- ✓ Attendance at international conferences and workshops
- ✓ Electronic networking (internet webpages, email, video conferencing)







Compulsory Secondment of staff

- ✓ Majority of support in IAPP
- ✓ Always inter-sector
- ✓ Normally 2-way with in-built return
- ✓ Up to 30% for secondments within same country

Optional Recruitment of experienced researchers

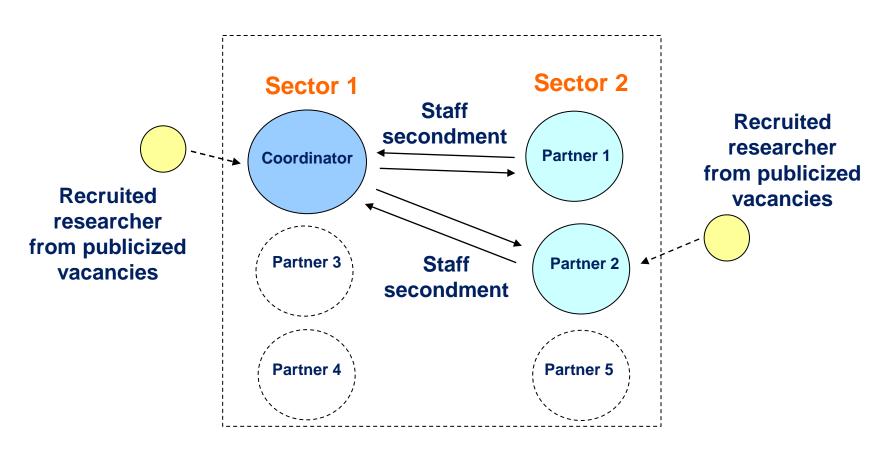
✓ Not substitute for secondment







Composition of a consortium









Eligible researchers: From MS, AS & TC

- For staff exchange
 - Any level of experience, incl. technical & managerial staff
 - Exchange always between sectors
 - normally between countries
 - Exchange period: 2 months to 2 years
 - Obligatory return for at least 1 year
- For recruitment (optional) :
 - Only experienced researchers (post-docs)
 - Nationals of any country other than the country where host is located
 - Recruitment period: 1 to 2 years







Purpose of the Mid-Term Review Meeting







Purpose and Organisation (art. 7, Special Clause 5 bis, III.2.1-c of GA

From the REA's viewpoint, the Mid-Term Review is a unique opportunity to:

- Meet all the partners and researchers of the consortium
- Assess implementation of the contract
- Review the structure of the work programme
- Explain contractual aspects that may be unclear
- Define changes of direction of future action, define contract modifications if required







Purpose and Organisation

- It is not intended to be solely a scientific evaluation since, by virtue of selection, the scientific quality has to be high
- It is an opportunity to gain an appreciation of the quality of the research and training provided and of how the partners work together
- It is also an opportunity to assess the European Added Value of the project
- Meeting should be as open as possible and discussions are encouraged
- Please, therefore, try not to use up all of your allocated time for your presentation but leave time for questions as well







Conclusions of the Mid-Term Review Meeting

The REA project officer will send a letter to conclude the Mid-Term Review process:

- Everything is working rather well. No specific recommendations
- Some measures should be taken. Specific recommendations given
- Serious problems. Stop contract after audit







Individual Fellowships









Can I apply?

looking for another post-doc position

I am finishing my
PhD and looking for a
post-doc position

I have more than
4 years of research
experience



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Experienced researcher:

PhD holder

OR

I am a post-doc

> 4 years experience







People Programme Activities and MC Actions

- Initial training of researchers
 Initial Training Networks, ITN
- Life-long training and career development Intra-European Fellowships, IEF Career Integration Grants, CIG New in 2011!
 Co-funding of national programmes, COFUND
- Industry-academia pathways and partnerships
- World Fellowships
 - International Outgoing Fellowships, IOF International Research Staff Exchange, IRSES International Incoming Fellowships, IIF
- Specific actions
 Researchers' Night







Profile of recruited researchers

Senior Post-docs

> 10 years

Post-docs

> 4 years

Post-graduates

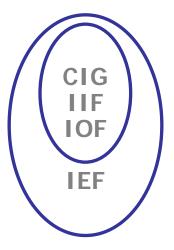
< 4 years

Applicants

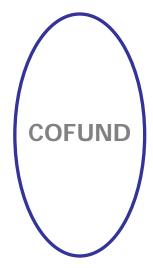
Individual fellowships

Industry/Research Institutions

Research funding bodies





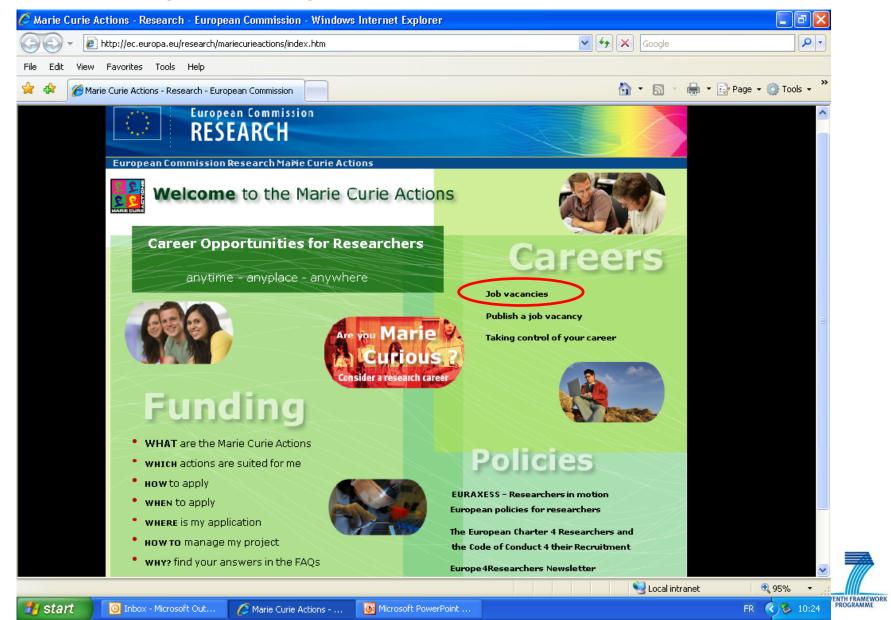


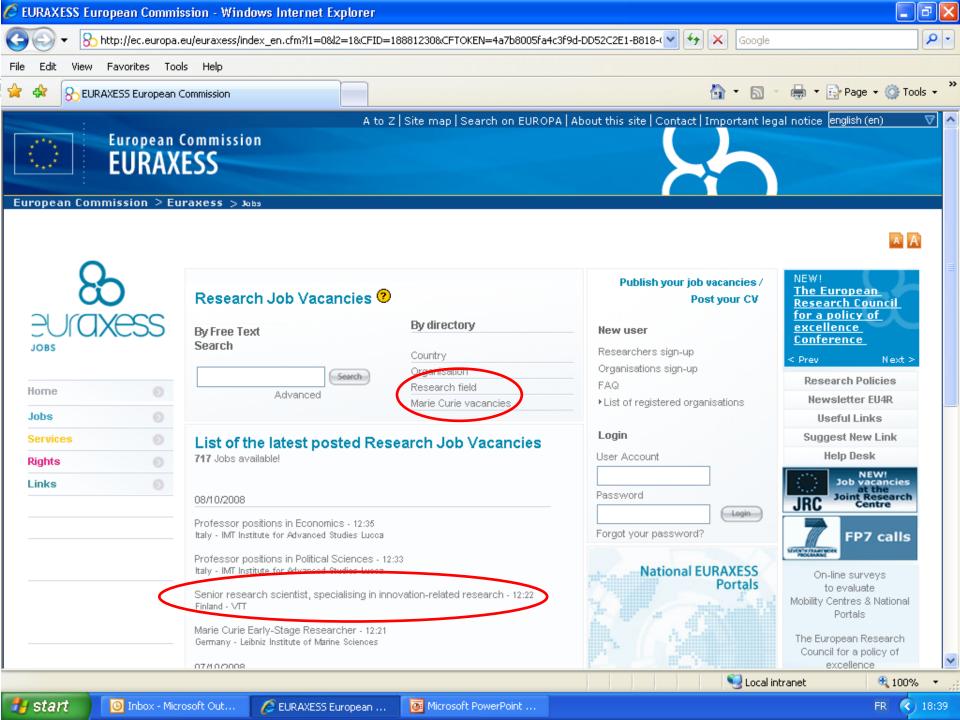


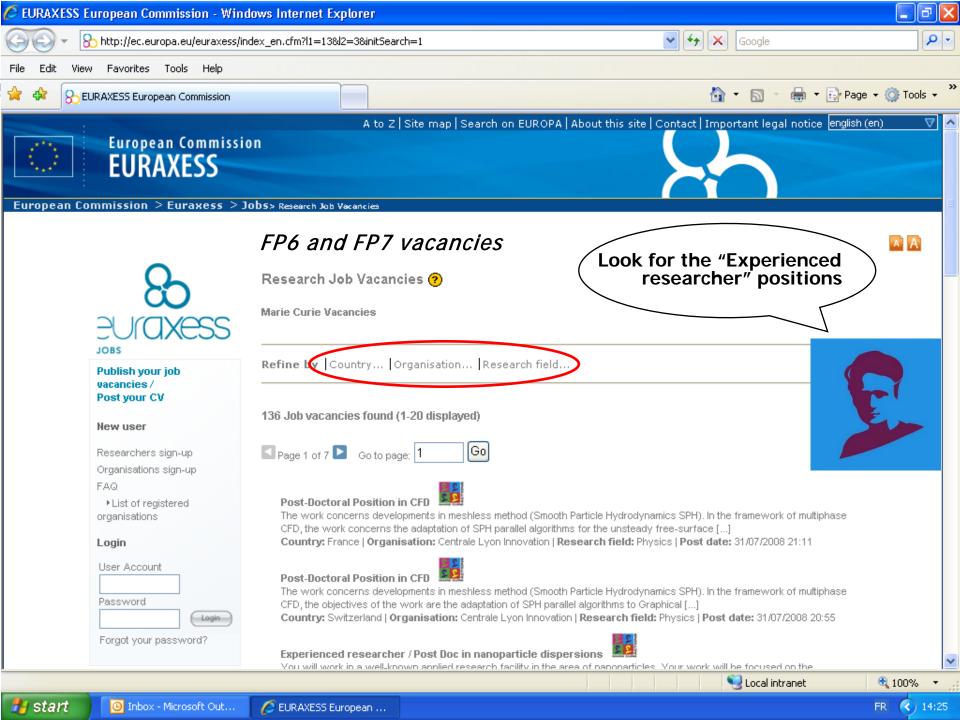




http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/









Eligible Costs







- Actual
- Incurred & during project duration
 - EXCEPT costs related to final report, last periodic report, certificates on financial statements and final reviews
 - Then up to 60 days after the end of the project
- Related to objectives of the project
- Economic, efficient and effective
- Recorded in accounts of beneficiary







- Direct costs:
 - Categories A, B, C (researchers)
 - Categories E, F, G (institutions)
 - Equipment expenses: category I
- Indirect costs: category H







Relevant Rates

- A Living and mobility
 - pay careful attention to Call year
 - no mobility allowance for same country secondments
 - Will differ from negotiated budget as the mobility was estimated during negotiation
- **B** Travel
 - no travel allowance for same country secondments
 - Will differ from negotiated budget as the travel distance was estimated during negotiation
- C Career exploratory
 - Only for <u>recruited</u> researchers
 - Should match negotiated budget

NO Category D in IAPP







... Relevant Rates

- E Research/Training/ToK
 - Flat rates
- F Event costs
 - nb only in 2007 & 2008 calls
- G Management
- **H** Overheads
 - no overheads on subcontracting
- I Equipment for SMEs
 - Up to 10% of negotiated budget







... Relevant Rates

EXCHANGE RATES

All costs in Euro.

Use conversion ECB conversion rate

- Date actual costs incurred;
 - or
- First day of month following end reporting period







Subcontracting

Only if foreseen in Annex I

- non-core tasks
- Not coordinator's tasks
- Best value for money, transparency, equal treatment
- External audit = subcontracting (i.e. no overheads)







Non-eligible Costs

- Identifiable taxes including VAT
- Duties
- Interest owed
- Provisions for possible future losses/charges
- Exchange losses, etc
- Costs reimbursed in respect of other EC project
- Debt and debt service charges
- Excessive or reckless expenditure







Certificate on Financial Statements

- CFS mandatory if cost claim ≥ 375,000 €
- CFS for < 375,000 € not eligible cost







Parental Leave

- Eligible costs = mandatory under national law
- Check possible workplan modification with PO
- In the event that a budget adjustment is needed to top up the maternity leave this will be done at the end of the project







Events

- Generated income = claims decreased
- In 2 categories can be charged
 - E for researchers w/in Consortium
 - F for researchers outside Consortium
- Keep the proof of the participation









Thank you very much for your attention!



