



# Horizon Europe MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships Event “How to Attract Researchers to Egyptian Institutions”

15 March 2026, Sunday

Online Event

## AGENDA

### Aim of the Info day:

The primary objective of this event is to promote **Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowships (MSCA-PF)** in Egypt, with the aim of increasing the number of Egyptian institutions hosting international researchers through the MSCA PF scheme.

In particular, the event seeks to raise awareness among Egyptian universities, research centres, public administrations, and non-academic institutions about their eligibility to participate as **host institutions** under the **MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2026 and 2027 calls**. Egyptian institutions may act as **European Fellowship (EF) beneficiaries**, and, in the case of **Global Fellowships (GF)**, as hosting institutions for Fellows spending **12–24 months in Third Countries**.

Given Egypt’s association to **Horizon Europe**, which grants Egyptian entities access to the programme on equal terms with EU Member States, this event aims to strengthen institutional capacity and understanding of MSCA opportunities, which are still relatively new for many organisations in Egypt.

Through targeted **awareness-raising activities**, including an online session titled “*How to Attract Researchers to Your Institution*”, the event will provide practical guidance on attracting and hosting MSCA-funded researchers. At least **10 different Egyptian institutions** are expected to participate or be represented during the MSCA PF information session.

Ultimately, the event aims to contribute to a **measurable increase in MSCA PF applications** involving Egyptian host institutions, thereby strengthening Egypt’s role as an attractive destination for excellent international researchers and fostering long-term research and innovation collaboration.

**In addition**, while the event is primarily focused on the **MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships (PF)**, it will also highlight how Egyptian institutions can attract and host researchers through other MSCA schemes, notably **Doctoral Networks (DN)** and **COFUND**. A concise overview of these calls are included in the agenda to illustrate complementary pathways for institutional engagement and researcher recruitment under the MSCA framework.

The event is organised in close cooperation with the **Academy of Scientific Research and Technology (ASRT)**, which actively promotes participation in Horizon Europe, MSCA, PRIMA, and other international R&I programmes, as well as with the **European Commission**, the **MSCA-GLOPOL project** and the **Marie Curie Alumni Association Africa and Middle East Chapter**.



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10:00 – 12:30

**Registration Link:** [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_mpLFiuxtSp-79yPjHg8Fkw#/registration](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mpLFiuxtSp-79yPjHg8Fkw#/registration)

**Participation Link:** will be sent upon registration.

10:00 - 10:15	<p><b>Welcome remarks with a General Introduction of Horizon Europe</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Navigating Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions in Horizon Europe</li><li>• Egypt's Participation in MSCA: Facts and Figures</li></ul> <p><b>Dr. Amr RADWAN</b> <i>Head of the Research &amp; Innovation Management Department, ASRT</i></p>
10:15 - 10:30	<p><b>Exploring MSCA Opportunities for Institutions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Doctoral Networks</li><li>• Staff Exchanges</li><li>• COFUND and Choose Europe</li></ul> <p><b>Dr. Tuğba ARSLAN</b> <i>MSCA-GLOPOL Regional Liaison Officer</i></p>
10:30 - 10:50	<p><b>MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2026 - 2027 Call Details</li><li>• Moving from One Country to Another with MSCA-PF</li><li>• European Fellowships or Global Fellowships</li><li>• Eligibility Conditions</li><li>• MSCA-PF Project Budgets for PhD Holders</li></ul> <p><b>Dr. Tuğba ARSLAN</b> <i>MSCA-GLOPOL Regional Liaison Officer</i></p>



<p>10:50 - 11:10</p>	<p><b>Attracting Researchers to Egyptian institutions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Identifying and Inviting Individual Researchers</li> <li>● Using EURAXESS Jobs and the HRS4R Award Scheme</li> <li>● Participating in Matchmaking Events and Global Online Masterclasses</li> </ul> <p><b>Cristina GOMEZ</b> <i>MSCA-GLOPOL Project - Promotion Work Package Leader</i></p>
<p>11:10 - 11:30</p>	<p><b>How to draft a MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● How to write a proposal and meet the evaluation criteria (Excellence &amp; Impact &amp; Implementation)</li> <li>● Filling in PF Template – Part B</li> <li>● “To Do”s and “Not To Do”s while drafting the proposal</li> </ul> <p><b>Dr. Tuğba ARSLAN</b> <i>MSCA-GLOPOL Regional Liaison Officer</i></p>
<p>11:30 - 11:40</p>	<p><b>Short Break</b></p>
<p>11:40 - 11:55</p>	<p><b>How to submit an MSCA PF proposal via Participant Portal?</b></p> <p><b>Cristina GOMEZ</b> <i>MSCA-GLOPOL Project - Promotion Work Package Leader</i></p>
<p>11:55 – 12:10</p>	<p><b>How to Be Successful with Global Fellowships Applications</b></p> <p><b>GF Fellow - tbc.</b> <i>American University in Cairo</i></p>
<p>12:10 – 12:20</p>	<p><b>Marie Curie Alumni Association: Africa Chapter Activities</b></p> <p><b>Precious Ekwere</b> <i>MCAA Africa Chapter Chair</i></p>
<p>12:20 – 12:30</p>	<p><b>EU Framework Programmes MSCA National Contact Point Services for Egypt</b></p> <p><b>Dr. Amr RADWAN</b> <i>Head of the Research &amp; Innovation Management Department, ASRT</i></p>
<p></p>	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p>