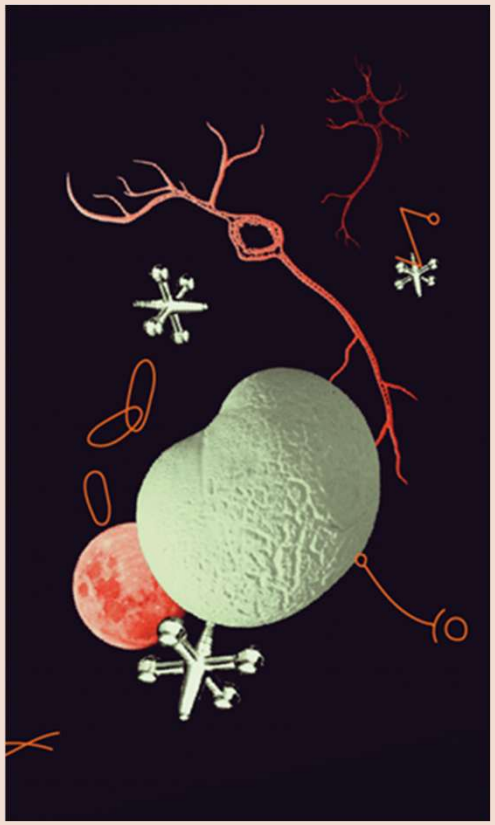
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MSCA Staff Exchanges Call

Opportunities for International, intersectoral and interdisciplinary collaboration for African Institutions



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Staff Exchanges Call features

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What is a MSCA Staff Exchange (SE) ?

- R&I Collaborative project that is based on exchanges / secondments
- Key instrument to improve existing networks and help create new collaborations



International, inter-sectoral and **interdisciplinary** mobility of R&I staff (secondments)

Knowledge transfer between participating organisations

Collaboration between the academic and non-academic sectors (including SMEs)

Cooperation across the globe

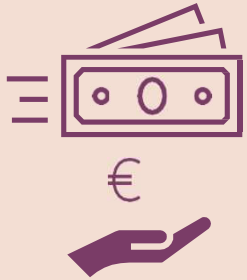
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Key features of Staff Exchanges

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with different scientific panels



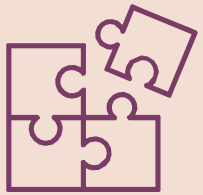
Unit cost 5170 €
2870 € - staff allowance
2300 € - organisation



SECONDMENTS
1-12 months/staff
Interdisciplinary
Intersectoral
International



DURATION
4 years
Max 360 person-months per project



SYNERGY
EU grants
Not MSCA*

Budget 2026 call = **97.92 M€**

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Consortium eligibility

Consortium of min. **3 legal entities in 3 different countries,** 2 of which in a different EU Member State or HE Associated Country



The consortium must include participating organisations from both academic and non-academic sectors

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Consortium

Beneficiary

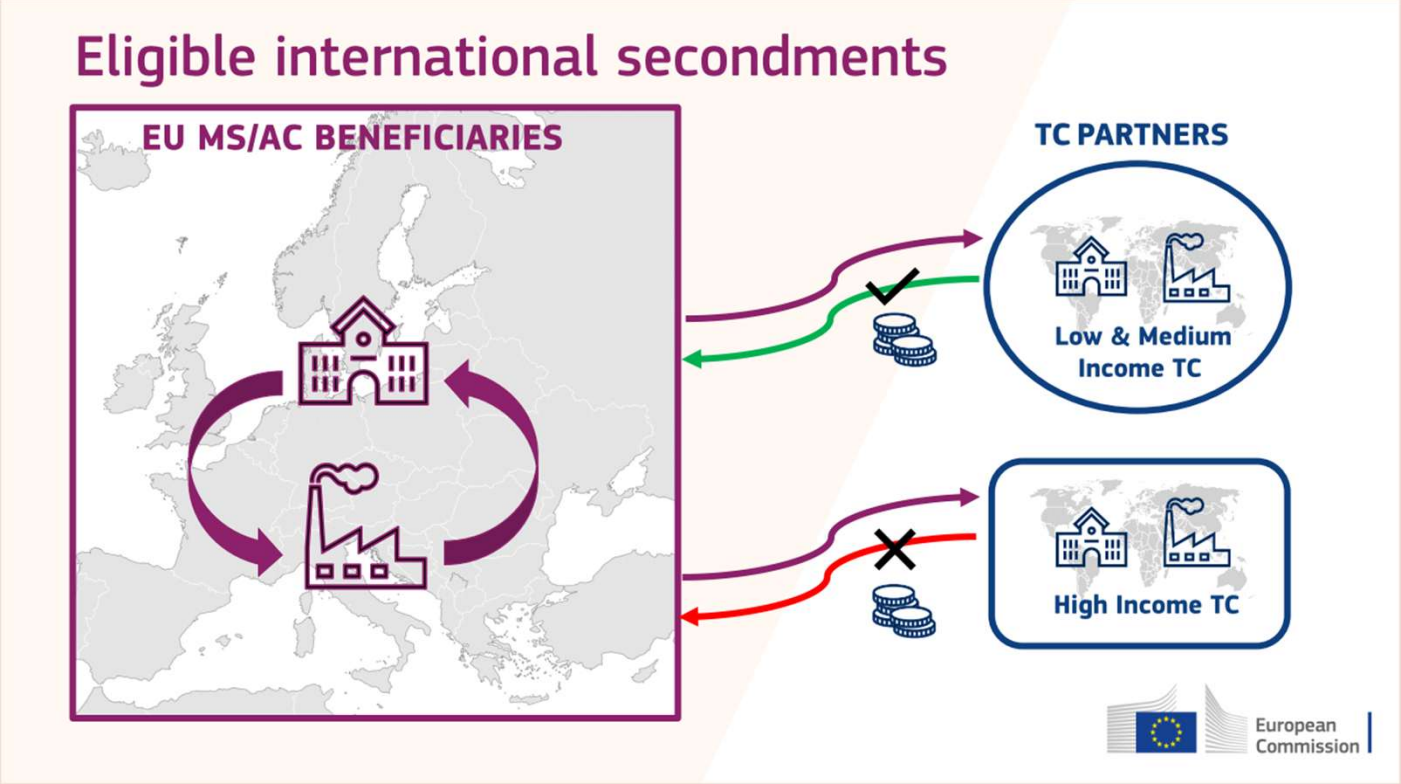
- Institutions based in a Member State or Associated Country to Horizon Europe
- They can send their staff on secondments
- They can host staff coming on secondments to their institutions
- They can offer training opportunities

Associated Partner

- **Institutions based in a Third Country (all African countries but Egypt and Tunisia will participate as AP)**
- They can host secondments
- They can send their staff on secondments to Europe
- They can offer training opportunities

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How do secondments work?



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Eligible staff



Any type of staff involved in R&I activities (researchers, administrative staff, managerial staff, technical staff)



Researchers at any career stage (e.g., from doctoral candidates to postdoctoral researchers)

Each staff member is seconded for a period of **1 to 12 months** (may be split into several stays)

Staff needs to be devoted **full-time (no part time)** to the action during the secondment

After the secondment, staff should **return to their sending institution**

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EU contribution





BUDGET
Max 360 PM per project

- Supports costs for mobility, not salaries
- Budget calculated based on n. of secondments
- Partnerships agreements between the institutions participating

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Useful resources

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Reference Documents

- Guide for Applicants
- MSCA Work Programme & annexes
- Proposal templates
- HE Programme Guide
- Model Grant Agreement
- Frequently Asked Questions

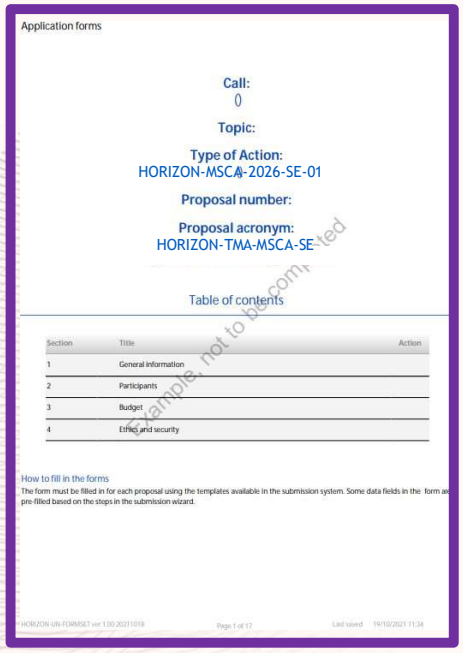


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Proposal documents - Coordinator takes the lead

Part A (structured data)

Part A:
- Admin details
- Budget
- Ethics/ Security


Application forms

Call:
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Topic:

Type of Action:
HORIZON-MSCA-2026-SE-01

Proposal number:

Proposal acronym:
HORIZON-TMA-MSCA-SE

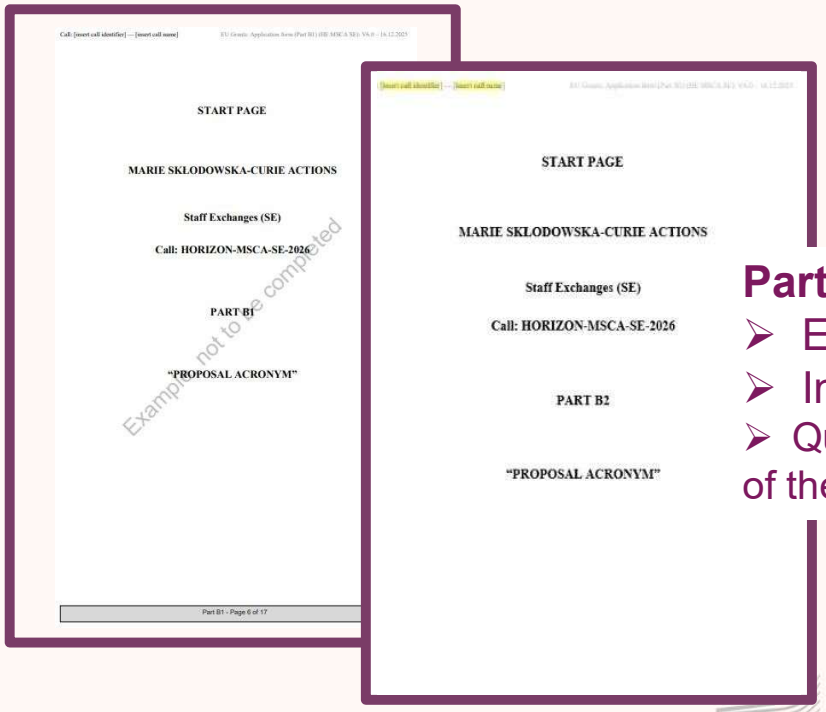
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How to fill in the forms

The form must be filled in for each proposal using the templates available in the submission system. Some data fields in the form ar pre-filled based on the steps in the submission wizard.

Part B (1+2) (description of action)


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PART B1

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PART B2

"PROPOSAL ACRONYM"

Part B1:
- Excellence
- Impact
- Quality & Efficiency of the Implementation

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Dr. Amira Zaky
Professor of Biochemistry, Faculty of Science at Alexandria University, Egypt

"The PsyCoMed project opened avenues for investigating neurological consequences of pollutant contamination. Our researchers benefited from secondments during the 48 months of the project to collaborate with laboratories in Tunisia and Italy to explore microplastic contamination, and in France to study animal models of ADHD pathophysiology. We are also developing local studies to understand glioblastoma pathophysiology."

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Dr. Maneea Moubarak
Assistant professor at Damanhour university, Egypt

"My MSCA project has broadened my research opportunities, strengthened international collaborations, and enabled the creation of sustainable scientific networks. It has significantly enhanced excellence in my field while providing a unique platform for interdisciplinary exchange, mobility, and impactful knowledge transfer."

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Dr. Sherif Saeed Ebada Elsayed
Professor, HZI - Helmholtz Centre for Infection Research, Brunswick, Germany

"The GoMyTRi project offered me an invaluable opportunity to get in contact with an elite class of brilliant minds in their fields from three continents and of different specialties. It was a turning point in my career path that enriched and diversified my expertise while being hosted at various partner institutions in the project. The earned advancement through H2020-MSCA-RISE was not limited to scientific but extended to personal perspectives."

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- Information sessions: on HE, European research policies, funding (EU and national), and collaboration opportunities
- **Thematic session: 'how to apply' workshops for MSCA or ERC, etc**.
- Networking: to promote the network and grow membership
- Match-making: to promote scientific collaboration between researchers from the respective country/region and researchers in Europe
- Fairs: stands /other presence in career fairs



"Nothing in life is to be feared; it is only to be understood"

Thank you for your attention!

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