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# Fellowships to support researchers from Ukraine

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# MSCA4Ukraine fellowships

As part of the EU's response to the Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine, a dedicated fellowship scheme —MSCA4Ukraine— provides support to displaced researchers from Ukraine. This support will enable displaced researchers to continue their work at academic and non-academic organisations in EU Member States and Horizon Europe Associated Countries, while maintaining their connections to research and innovation communities in Ukraine. The scheme may also facilitate researchers' reintegration in Ukraine if conditions for safe return are met, in order to prevent permanent brain drain, and contribute to strengthening the Ukrainian university and research sector and its collaboration and exchange with the international research community.

## MSCA4Ukraine facts

**Project duration**
July 2022 to June 2026

**Timeframe**
**28 September**: Call information and call documents published. Prospective applicants are advised to begin preparing their applications so they are ready for submission soon after the online portal opens.
**September-ongoing**: If you are a researcher from Ukraine seeking to connect with a host organisation or a host organisation seeking to connect with a researcher you can use the scheme's matchmaking services.
**October 24**: Call opens for submission of applications via an online portal.
**November-December**: The portal will remain open for applications until all funds are committed. Selection and evaluation processes begin. Three internal cut-off dates are tentatively set at 11 November 2022, 9 December 2022, and 9 January 2023. The cut-off dates are adjustable based on the rate of applications. At each cut-off date, all eligible nominations submitted will enter the evaluation and selection process.
**January 2023 onwards**: Fellowship offers on a rolling basis. Portal to remain open while funds remain.

**Funded by**
European Union, under Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA), Horizon 2020

**Applicant**
Applications must be submitted by prospective host organisations on behalf of a displaced researcher(s) from Ukraine. Host organisations can be academic or non-academic organisations in any EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country.

**Disciplines**
MSCA4Ukraine fellowships are open to all domains of research and innovation.

**Fellowships duration**
Fellowships will be awarded for a minimum of 6 months, up to a maximum of 24 months.

**Value**
Fellowship rates will be in line with Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) Doctoral Networks and MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships.

# Researchers seeking fellowships

**I am a researcher from Ukraine and would like to be considered for a fellowship under the MSCA4Ukraine scheme. What are the eligibility criteria?**

Applications must be submitted by prospective host organisations on behalf of a named researcher. Researchers are eligible to be nominated by a host organisation if they are:

(a) either (1) Ukrainian nationals, or (2) stateless persons, or nationals from third countries other than Ukraine, with their primary residence in Ukraine on 24 February 2022;

(b) either (1) have been displaced on or after 24 February 2022, or (2) are ready to be displaced from Ukraine;

(c) are postdoctoral researchers (i.e. in possession of a doctoral degree by the time the fellowship is set to begin), or doctoral candidates (i.e. enrolled in a doctoral programme at a higher education institution in Ukraine, leading to the award of a doctoral degree).

(d) have the language skills required to successfully conduct their research activities at the envisaged host institution, as confirmed by the applicant host institution.

**Can you help me find a host organisation?**

Yes. Please first visit the MSCA4Ukraine website for the list of organisations seeking researchers from Ukraine. If you find a suitable host organisation on this list, please contact them directly at the email address provided. If there is no suitable match on the list for your research interests please follow the instructions on the MSCA4Ukraine website in order to add your details to a separate list of researchers seeking hosts. This will allow host organisations not on the public list to consider your research interests and connect with you.

**Are there any restrictions with regard to numbers of years of research experience, or numbers of years since completion of my PhD?**

No. There are no such restrictions in MSCA4Ukraine.

**More FAQs are available on the MSCA4Ukraine website: https://sareurope.eu/msca4ukraine/**

# Organisations who wish to apply

**Can my organisation apply to host a researcher under the MSCA4Ukraine scheme?**

Host organisations can be academic or non-academic organisations in any EU Member State or Horizon Europe Associated Country.

**Are host organisations in Ukraine eligible to apply?**

While the standard MSCA mobility rules will not apply to the MSCA4Ukraine scheme, the principle of mobility still applies. Therefore, researchers will take up their fellowships outside Ukraine, and organisations in Ukraine cannot apply. However, they can host researchers during a secondment arrangement in a reintegration phase of up to one-third of the fellowship duration.

**My organisation is interested in applying for MSCA4Ukraine. However, we are not currently in contact with a researcher from Ukraine. Can you help us connect with a suitable candidate?**

Yes. Please first visit the MSCA4Ukraine website for the instructions for host organisations seeking to connect with researchers from Ukraine. We ask you to consider providing your details for inclusion on the public list of prospective host organisations so that researchers can contact you directly quickly in order to discuss an application. There is also a regularly updated list of researchers seeking host organisations on the MSCA4Ukraine website. If you do not succeed in connecting with a researcher via these channels, there is an option to request matchmaking assistance from the MSCA4Ukraine scheme.

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## More Information

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