

## **Press Release: MSCA4Ukraine Results Announced**

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The MSCA4Ukraine consortium is pleased to announce the results of the scheme's evaluation and selection process. Funded under the EU's Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions, the scheme provides fellowship support to 111 post-doctoral and 13 doctoral researchers from Ukraine to continue their research in 21 host countries. All applicants have been notified of the results and researchers will take up their positions from March 1, 2023 onwards.

Fellowships were awarded to applicant organisations in the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Sweden. The duration of fellowships awarded ranged from eight months to two years, with the majority of applicants awarded two-year fellowships.

Mariya Gabriel, the European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth, said: "The MSCA4Ukraine initiative is yet another proof of our solidarity with the Ukrainian people. We are proud that 124 scientists will be able to continue their research work and will have access to training, skills and career development opportunities. It is our hope that they will be able to contribute to the reconstruction of their home country once the war is over."

Applications were evaluated by almost 400 independent reviewers from over 25 countries and across a range of disciplines based on adapted MSCA evaluation criteria. Final decisions were made by a Selection Committee comprised of established scholars from various academic fields from EU member states and Horizon Europe associated countries, as well representatives of organisations experienced in assisting researchers at risk.

The scheme received over 400 applications from 28 countries by November 11, of which 96 per cent were deemed eligible, and a further 198 applications were received by November 25. As all fellowship funding available under the scheme has now been committed on the basis of applications received by the first cut-off date of November 11, the online application system remains closed and no further cut-off dates are foreseen. In the coming months, the MSCA4Ukraine helpdesk will work to provide unsuccessful applicants with placement assistance and advice, or referrals to other schemes, as capacity allows.

Launched in September 2022 as part of the EU's response to the Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine, MSCA4Ukraine enables displaced researchers from Ukraine 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 programme is implemented by [Scholars at Risk Europe](#) hosted at [Maynooth University](#), Ireland, the [Alexander von Humboldt Foundation](#), Germany, and the [European University Association](#), Belgium.

Further information, including a list of projects selected for funding, is now available at [www.sareurope.eu/msca4ukraine](http://www.sareurope.eu/msca4ukraine).

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