

MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships 2025

We strongly recommend the careful reading of the [MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships Handbook](#). It is also useful to read [Most common mistakes in MSCA-PF submission](#) , and other [additional tips and materials](#).

For general information and some writing tips, the Portuguese NPC for MSCA Actions has also published the following information: [Info session](#).

MSCA candidates also can check Useful Q&As from the [Funding & Tenders Portal](#) to structure your application and fill Part A of the application form.

All the **organizational and the administrative data** should be requested in good time through the FLUP [research unit](#) that is going to host the research project.

The **budget** for Marie Curie funding (MSCA) is calculated using unit costs, which are indicated automatically on the platform for your convenience. It is therefore not necessary to validate the budget in advance with FLUP. However, in the case of Global Fellowships, which involve a third-country institution that will host the researcher for part of the project's implementation, it may be necessary to have some prior agreement regarding the distribution of research and management costs during this period.

Gender Equality Plan. University of Porto has a GEP. It can be consulted here: <https://www.up.pt/portal/documents/1937/UP-Igualdade-Plano-para-a-Igualdade-de-Genero-Univer-sidade-do-Porto-2025-2028.pdf>

Commitment letter. It is necessary for the Global Fellowship modality should be issued by the other institution. This will have to be articulated by the candidate. You have a model in the [MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships Handbook](#) (p. 45)

Complementary MSCA Financial Supports:

- For European Postdoctoral Fellowships only: In question 4 (Section *Other Questions* of Part A) there is the possibility to apply automatically to an ERA Postdoctoral Fellowship in case the project is not funded by MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship.
- For Global Postdoctoral Fellowships (question 6) and European Postdoctoral Fellowships (question 7), although Portugal does not have any specific programme to fund MSCA applicants that score highly in MSCA evaluation, please consider the possibility of its implementation (Section *Other Questions* of Part A).

We would also like to bring to your attention the possibility of the Research Management & Science Communication Hub (REMA) at FLUP collaborating in the preparation of your application proposals. Nevertheless, we advise that the scientific aspects be undertaken in collaboration with the supervisor and/or the respective research unit. REMA will be accepting all your queries until 29th August 2025 via email (rema@letras.up.pt). However, we strongly recommend that you express your intention to seek support as early as possible to allow ample time for a thorough review and any necessary adjustments to the technical aspects of the proposal.

Additionally, the European Commission also offers assistance through National Contact Points to Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA), such as Dr. David Marçal (in the case of Portugal), whose contact details are: david.marcal@fct.pt and (+351) 213 924 350.