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Structure of the presentation

- I. Introduction***
- II. Explaining the ‘People’ Programme–
– Marie Curie Actions***
- III. The CALLS***
 - Overview***
- IV. Specific Actions***
 - to remove obstacles and
enhancing career perspectives***



The Policy context: Human resources in R&D

- **FP7**: Significant budget increase: **4,7 billion €** under FP7 over 7 years

Europe needs to **build excellent research careers** and link them to EU research initiatives.

→ From the traditional concept of “**brain drain**” versus “**brain gain**” to the acknowledgement of the fact that **excellent science careers are international** - “**brain circulation**” or “**brain exchange**”.

→ From a “**Mobility**” programme to an active “**career development**” programme acquiring **additional qualifications** and **targeted trainings** through transnational mobility.



People – Marie Curie Actions

1. Initial training:

- *Networks for Early stage researchers*

2. Life long training and career development:

- *Intra European Fellowships*
- *European Reintegration Grants*
- *Co-funding of national programmes*

3. Industry dimension:

- *Industry-academia partnership and pathways*

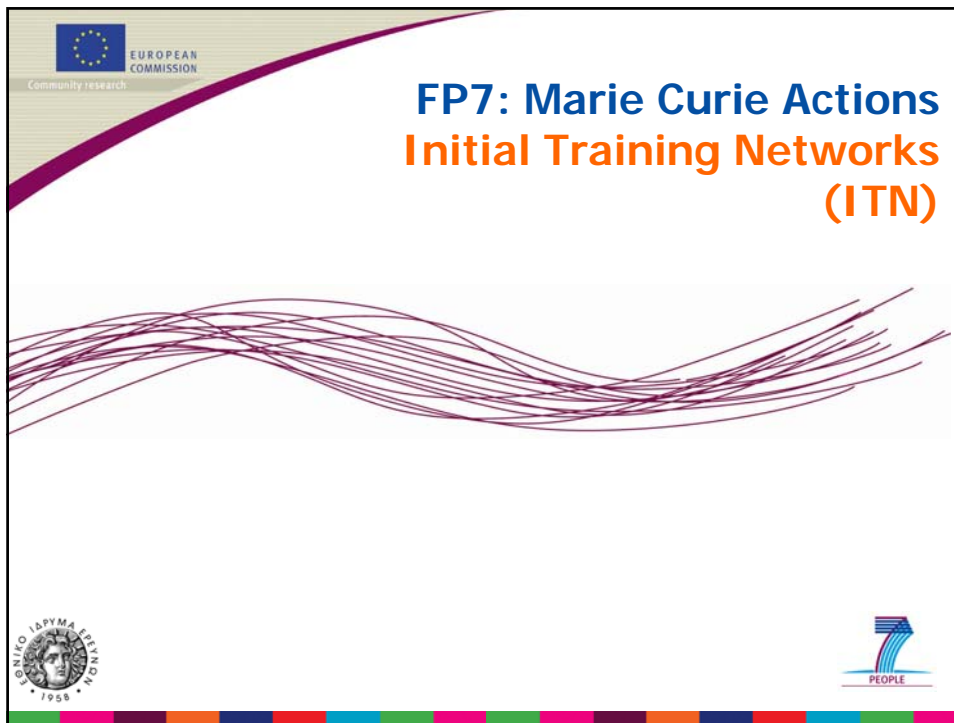
4. International dimension:

- *Outgoing fellowships*
- *Incoming fellowships*
- *International reintegration grants*
- *International staff Exchange Programmes*

5. Specific actions






Such as: 'Researchers' Night'; Marie Curie Awards, ERA-More; networking of NCPs



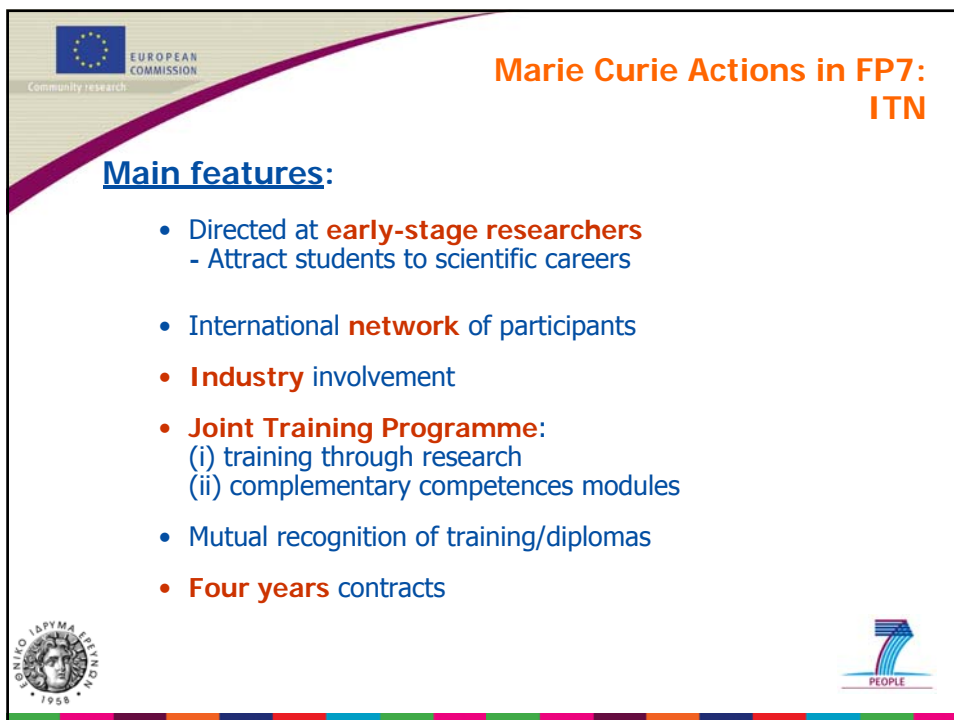


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FP7: Marie Curie Actions Initial Training Networks (ITN)



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Marie Curie Actions in FP7: ITN

Main features:

- Directed at **early-stage researchers**
- Attract students to scientific careers
- International **network** of participants
- **Industry** involvement
- **Joint Training Programme:**
(i) training through research
(ii) complementary competences modules
- Mutual recognition of training/diplomas
- **Four years** contracts



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Participants

→ **Trans-national network of participants**

At least 3 participants established in at least 3 MS/AC
(of which 2 in MS)

or

Single research organisations or "twinning"
(proof of well-established trans-national collaborations)

Private Business sector - Direct or indirect involvement as:

- full network partner
- provider of research training
- members of the supervisory board of the network



Eligible researchers: MS/AC & Third Countries

- early-stage researchers
- experienced researchers
- « visiting scientists »

Community Contribution:

- recruitment of early-stage and experienced researchers
- recruitment of the senior "visiting scientists"
- organisation of short training events open to external researchers
- networking costs



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: ITN

- **Eligible expenses** - activities carried out by the **researchers**
 - Monthly living allowance: Fixed amounts depending on the level of experience (3 categories) and on the model of social security coverage (2 models) corrected according to cost of living
 - Mobility allowance: 800/500€ with/ without family
 - Travel allowance: One payment for every 12 months based on the distance between the place of origin and the host institution
 - Career exploratory allowance: 2000 €/ researcher (recruited for at least 1 year)



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: ITN

Eligible expenses for the activities carried out by the host **organisations**

- Research/ training /transfer of knowledge programme expenses: 600€ / researcher/month
- Contribution to the participation expenses to research and training activities: 300 or 600€ / researcher/ month
- Organisation of international conferences, workshops and events: 300 € per researcher-day for researchers from outside the network, for the duration of the event
- Management activities: max 7% for consortium, 3% for one partner or twinning of the EC contribution
- Overheads: 10% of direct costs except subcontracting





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Marie Curie Actions in FP7: ITN

Evaluation Criteria: 2-stage submission/ 2-step evaluation

- **S & T Quality:** quality of research programme, originality & innovation aspects, methodology *Weighting: 30 (50); Threshold: 3*
- **Training:** quality of training programme, complementary skills, multidisciplinary, intersectoral fields, exploitation of international network *Weighting: 30 (50) ; Threshold: 4*
- **Implementation:** capacity to achieve the programme, involvement of private sector, complementarities & synergies, recruitment strategy, networking and dissemination, organisation of training events *Weighting: 20 ; Threshold: 3*
- **Impact:** career development opportunities, role of visiting scientist, mutual recognition of training *Weighting: 20; Threshold: N/A*



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Marie Curie Actions in FP7: ITN



- Date of Publication:** 22 December 2006
- Budget:** € 240 million
- Evaluation procedure:** two-stage submission
- Deadlines:** 1st Stage: 7 May 2007
2nd Stage: 25 September 2007
- Evaluation Results:** 1st Stage: July 2007
2nd Stage: December 2007
- Contract Signature:** March 2008






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FP7: Marie Curie Actions Industry-Academia partnerships and pathways (IAPP)



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Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IAPP

Main features

- Longer-term co-operation between sectors
- Staff secondments & recruitment of experienced researchers from outside the partnership
- Salary costs
(seconded researchers / recruited experienced researchers)
- Networking & workshops/conferences costs
- SMEs: small equipment costs
- Project duration: **3 to 4 years**

Participants

- ≥ 1 university/research centre + ≥ 1 private sector
- ≥ 2 different Member/Associated countries
(of which at least 1 from a MS)

Targeted researchers

- **Staff exchange:** at all level of experience (incl. technical & managerial staff)
 - Exchange period: **2 months to 2 years**
 - Obligatory **return** for **at least 1 year**
- **Recruitment:** only experienced researchers (from outside the partnership)
 - Nationals of any country other than the host one
 - No limit on 3rd countries nationals
 - Recruitment period: **1 to 2 years**



Mobility Rules for:

- **Staff exchange & Recruited researchers**
 - Staff exchange always between 2 sectors + countries
 - When ≥ 2 participants, inter-sector mobility allowed between 2 participants of same country: max. 30% total researcher-months
 - Trans-nationality

Community Contribution

- Staff secondments
- Temporary hosting of recruited researchers
- Networking and workshops/conferences organisation costs for both staff members and researchers from outside the partnership
- Specific small equipment for SMEs: <10% total contribution



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IAPP

Eligible expenses for the activities carried out by the **researchers**

- Monthly living allowance: Fixed amounts depending on the level of experience (3 categories) and on the model of social security coverage (2 models) corrected according to cost of living
- Mobility allowance: **800/500€** with/ without family
- Travel allowance: One payment for every 12 months based on the distance between the place of origin and the host institution
- Career exploratory allowance: **2000 € researcher** (newly recruited for at least 1 year)



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IAPP

Eligible expenses for the activities carried out by the host **organisations**

- Research/ training /transfer of knowledge programme expenses: **800€ / researcher/month**
- Organisation of international conferences, workshops and events: **300 € per researcher-day** for researchers from outside the network, for the duration of the event
- Management activities: **max 3%** of the total EC contribution
- Overheads: **10%** of direct costs except subcontracting
- Small equipment expenses for SMEs: up to a **max of 10%** of the total EC contribution to the SME



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IAPP

Evaluation criteria

- **S&T Quality (Weighting: 25, Threshold: 3)**
 - Quality of joint research programme, originality & innovation aspects, methodology
- **Transfer of knowledge (Weighting: 20, Threshold: 3)**
 - Quality of ToK programme, intersectorality, role of exchanged researchers
- **Implementation (Weighting: 25, Threshold: 3)**
 - Capacity to achieve programme, complementarities & synergies, management, recruitment strategy & IPR issues, complementarities & synergies exploitation, size of training programme
- **Impact (Weighting: 30, Threshold: NA)**
 - New intersectoral & lasting collaboration, dissemination strategy for knowledge & culture sharing, SMEs contribution & participation

Threshold in the total score: 70%



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IAPP

Some dates and figures

Call Date:	<i>28 February 2007</i>
Budget:	<i>€ 38,4 million</i>
Deadline:	<i>31 May 2007</i>
Procedure:	Single stage submission/evaluation
Evaluation results:	<i>~ September 2007</i>
Contract signature:	<i>~ December 2007 – April 2008</i>





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FP7: Marie Curie Actions Intra-European Fellowships for Career Development (IEF)






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Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IEF

Main features

- To support **career development** of experienced researchers
- To enhance individual competence **diversification** – **skills acquisition** at multi-interdisciplinary level and/or inter-sectoral level
- **Trans-national mobility** within Member States (MS) or Associated Countries (AC)
- Research activities must be carried out in a MS or AC other than the once of the researcher's nationality
- Application submitted by the host organisation in conjunction with the researcher
- the researcher Project duration: **1-2 years**




Eligible researchers (1)

- **Nationality:**
 - Researchers from MS / AC*
 - Researchers must be nationals of a MS or AC other than the country of the premises of the host organisation*
 - Researchers must not have resided or carried out their main activity in the country of the host organisation more than 12 months in the 3 years prior to the reference deadline of submission
- **Experience: only experienced researchers**
 - Be in possession of a doctoral degree, or
 - 4 years of full-time research experience at the time of the relevant deadline

*exception: TC researchers resided 3 years out of the last 4 in MS/AC



- **Eligible expenses** for the activities carried out by the researchers
 - Monthly living allowance: Fixed amounts depending on the level of experience (3 categories) and on the model of social security coverage (2 models) corrected according to cost of living ((not applicable in the case of reintegration in the researcher's country of origin
 - Mobility allowance: 800/500€ with/ without family (corrected)
 - Travel allowance: One payment for every 12 months based on the distance between the place of origin and the host institution
 - Career exploratory allowance:
2000 €/ researcher (recruited for at least 1 year)



- **Eligible expenses** for the activities carried out by the **host organisations**
 - Contribution to the participation expenses to research and training activities: 300 or 600€ / researcher/ month
 - Management activities: max 3% of the total EC contribution
 - Overheads: 10% of direct costs except subcontracting



Some dates and figures





Call Date:	<i>28 February 2007</i>
Budget:	<i>€ 72 million</i>
Deadline:	<i>14 August 2007</i>
Procedure:	<i>Single stage submission/evaluation</i>
Evaluation results:	<i>~ within 4 months from cut-off date</i>
Contract signature:	<i>~ Spring 2008</i>





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FP7: Marie Curie Actions European (ERG) and International Reintegration Grants (IRG)





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Marie Curie Actions in FP7: ERG

Main features

- (Re)integration in a MS/AC including the country of nationality of the applicant
- **Previous Marie Curie fellowship (MC) of at least 18 months**
- Proposal to be submitted at the earliest 1 year before the end of the initial MC fellowship, and not later than 6 months following its end
- Applications can be submitted continuously; evaluated and selected at regular intervals (cut-off dates of the call)
- *Grant agreement* to be issued with the (re)integration host
- Project duration: **2-3 years**



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: ERG

Eligible researchers

- **Nationality:**
 - Researchers from MS/AC*
- **Experience:** only experienced researchers
 - PhD or 4 years of full-time research experience
 - Must have benefited of a MC action of at least 18 m.

Eligible hosts

- Located in MS or AC



**exception: TC researchers resided 3 years out of the last 4 in MS/AC*

Marie Curie Actions in FP7: ERG

- **Eligible expenses** for the activities carried out by the **host organisations**
 - European reintegration grants: expenses related to the integration of the researcher in the host institution:
 - **fixed amount scheme (15 000 €)** per researcher/year during the period of reintegration up to a **max. of 3 years.**
(salary costs of the researchers and/or to the research costs for the project: e.g. staff salary costs; travel costs; consumables; publication costs...)
 - Management activities: **max 3%** of the total EC contribution
 - Overheads: **10%** of direct costs except subcontracting



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: ERG

Some dates and figures

Call Date:	<i>22 December 2006</i>
Budget:	<i>€ 9,5 million</i>
Deadline:	<i>Continuous submission: 2007 cut-off dates: 25 April; 17 October</i>
Procedure:	<i>Single stage submission/evaluation</i>
Evaluation results:	<i>~ within 3 months from cut-off date</i>
Contract signature:	<i>~ within 5 months from cut-off date</i>



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: INTERNATIONAL REINTEGRATION GRANTS (IRG)

Main features

- Re-integration in a MS/AC (including the country of nationality of the applicant)
- Researchers must have carried out **research outside Europe for at least 3 years** at the relevant cut-off date of submission
- Project can address research activities, training, teaching, transfer of knowledge development of co-operation with third countries.....
- **Applications can be submitted continuously**; evaluated and selected at regular intervals (cut-off dates of the call)
- *Grant agreement* to be issued with the (re)integration host
- Project duration: **2 up to 4 years**



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IRG

Eligible researchers:

- **Nationality:**
 - Experienced Researchers from MS or AC
- **Mobility rules: at the relevant cut-off date of submission**
 - Researchers must not have resided or carried out their main activity in a MS or AC more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the reference cut-off date and,
 - They should not have been employed in research in a MS or AC

Eligible hosts

- Located in MS or AC



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IRG

- **Eligible expenses** for the activities carried out by the **host organisations**
 - For International reintegration grants: expenses related to the integration of the researcher in the host institution:
 - **fixed amount scheme (25 000 €)** per researcher/year during the period of reintegration up to a **max. of 4 years**
(salary costs of the researchers and/or to the research costs for the project: e.g. staff salary costs; travel costs; consumables; publication costs, patents, etc.)
 - Management activities: **max 3%** of the total EC contribution
 - Overheads: **10%** of direct costs except subcontracting



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IRG

Some dates and figures

Call Date:	<i>22 December 2006</i>
Budget:	<i>€ 14,5 million</i>
Deadline:	<i>Continuous submission: 2007 cut-off dates: 25 April; 17 October</i>
Procedure:	<i>Single stage submission/evaluation</i>
Evaluation results:	<i>~ within 4 months from cut-off date</i>
Contract signature:	<i>~ within 6 months from cut-off date</i>



FP7: Marie Curie Actions International Incoming Fellowships (IIF)



Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IIF

Main features

- Financial support to **individual researchers from TC** to carry out research in a MS/AC
- Project duration: **1-3 years** (*return phase : 12 months*)
- **Possible return phase of max 12 months** for researchers coming from International Cooperation Partner Countries (ICPC)
- Application submitted by the host organisation in a MS/AC in conjunction with the researcher
- **Grant agreement** to be issued with the host organisation in MS/AC - *in case of return phase in an ICPC Grant agreement to be issued with the host located in ICPC*




Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IIF

Eligible researchers

- **Nationality:** Researchers must be nationals from TC
- **Experience:** only experienced researchers
- **Mobility rules:**
 - Researchers must not have resided or carried out their main activity in the country of the host organisation more than 12 months in the 3 years prior to the reference deadline of submission
 - **Eligible hosts** : Located in MS or AS








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- **Eligible expenses** for the activities carried out by the **researchers**
 - Monthly living allowance
 - Mobility allowance: **800/500€** with/ without family
 - Travel allowance: One payment for every 12 months based on the distance between the place of origin and the host institution

→ The above does not apply for possible return phase



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- **Eligible expenses** for the activities carried out by the **host organisations**
 - Contribution to the participation expenses to research and training activities: **300 or 600€** / researcher/ month
 - Management activities: **max 3%** of the total EC contribution
 - Overheads: **10%** of direct costs except subcontracting

For possible return phase,
expenses related to the integration of the researcher in the host institution:

→ **fixed amount scheme (15000 €)** per researcher/year during the period of reintegration up to a max. of 1 year.

Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IIF

Some dates and figures

Call Date:	<i>28 February 2007</i>
Budget:	<i>€ 24 million</i>
Deadline:	<i>14 August 2007</i>
Procedure:	<i>Single stage submission/evaluation</i>
Evaluation results:	<i>~ within 6 months from cut-off date</i>
Contract signature:	<i>~ Spring 2008</i>



FP7: Marie Curie Actions International Outgoing Fellowships for Career Development (IOF)





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Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IOF

Main features

- **Fellowships of 2 phases**: initial outgoing phase in a TC (*partner organisation*) and a mandatory re-integration phase in a MS or AC (*return host organisation*)
- Project duration: **1-2 year(s)**, reintegration phase: **1 year**
- Application submitted by the host organisation in conjunction with the researcher
- **Grant agreement** to be issued with the return host organisation in MS or AC



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Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IOF

Eligible researchers

- **Nationality**: Researchers from MS/AC
- **Experience**: only experienced researchers
- **Mobility rules**: At the deadline of submission, researchers must not have resided or carried out their main activity in the outgoing country for more than 12 months in the 3 years prior to the reference deadline of submission

Eligible hosts

- Outgoing phase: located in a TC; return phase located in MS or AC





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Marie Curie Actions in FP7: IOF

Community Contribution (same with IEF):

- Based on the funding scheme "Support for training and career development of researchers"
- Eligible expenses for the activities carried out by the **researchers**: *monthly living and mobility allowances, travel allowance, career exploratory allowance, contribution to the expenses of the researchers*
- Eligible expenses for the activities carried out by the **host organisation**: *management activities, contribution to overheads*



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Researchers' night 2007

Which objective?

Enhance public recognition of researchers and their role through the **organisation of large-scale events** on **Friday 28 September 2007**

- To bring the **researchers** closer to the large public
(and, as a side-effect, to stimulate young people to embark on scientific careers and enhance the European image as "host territory" for researchers)
- Aiming at a **mass participation of all groups of the large public**

Who can apply?

Any legal entity from a Member or Associated state

- Likely to mobilise the research community
- Able to organise a large-scale event

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Researchers' night 2007

European dimension

- **European stand**
(standard requirements dimension/equipment)
- **Active participation of researchers having benefited from a EU support** (Marie Curie schemes)
- **Drawing competition**
(first stage of a European scale competition amongst the winners) for at least one of the following age categories: 6-12/12-18/high artistic schools



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Researchers' night 2007

Evaluation criteria

- Scientific and/or technological excellence
- Quality and efficiency of the implementation and management
- Potential impact through the development, dissemination and use of project results

Funding

- 100 % of the eligible costs
- Local investment is an asset
- Total budget of the action: € 3 million
- Deadline for proposal submission: 3 April 2007





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Marie Curie Awards 2007

Which objective?

Reward researchers who have achieved **particularly excellent research results** in any scientific field

Who can apply?

- Individual researchers having benefited for **at least 12 months from a Marie curie scheme** or similar support under a previous Framework Programme
- Third party in favour of researchers corresponding to the above conditions

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Marie Curie Awards 2007

Evaluation criteria

- « Researcher » criterion: excellence of the work pursued
- « Impact » criterion

Funding

- Indicative budget of the call: € 250,000 (**per prize: € 50,000**)

What is expected from a Prize winner ?

- Free use of the prize
- Participation in public events promoting and improving the visibility, recognition and attractiveness of European research careers in the frame of the European Research Area



Proposal preparation

- **Part A:** administrative information
- **Part B:** “template” for presentation of the scientific & technical content of proposal
 - **special attention to the max length!!!!**
- **Submission:** <https://www.epss-fp7.org>
 - The target opening date is **end of March 2007**.
 - **No off-line preparation tool**
 - The “submit” button disappears at **17:00 BXL time**
 - The system allows **multiple submissions**
 - Electronic mail: support@epss-fp7.org



EPSS for FP7

- **Steps to submission**

- Select **call** and **funding scheme** on CORDIS
- **Register on the EPSS** – give basic details on project
- *EPSS mails the user id and password to the proposal co-ordinator – Watch your electronic mail*
- Go to **EPSS & Enter user-id and password**
- Edit **Part A** forms (object, participants, budget)
- Upload the **Part B** file (detailed proposal text)
- **“Submit”** the proposal
- Verify that the system gives a **proposal number** and **log-out**
- *EPSS mails a submission confirmation to the co-ordinator*



Information

- **Mobility-NCP / Attica:** www.ncp-people.gr
- **CORDIS - Information on R&D programmes & projects:** <http://cordis.europa.eu/>
- **EU research:** <http://ec.europa.eu/research/>
- **7th Framework Programme:** http://ec.europa.eu/research/future/index_en.cfm

RESEARCHERS' MOBILITY WEB PORTAL:

<http://europa.eu.int/eracareers>



Thank you for your attention!

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