#### How to prepare your application?

- . Make sure you have an excellent project idea for an MSCA Individual Fellowship and verify your eligibility;
- . Write your project ideas down on a one-pager and convince a professor at UAntwerp to become your supervisor and host;
- . Get in touch with the Grants Office of UAntwerp: we can help you with verifying your eligibility and finding a supervisor at UAntwerp;
- . Read the call documents carefully and make sure you fully understand what (applying for) a MSCA Individual Fellowship is all about;
- . Write the proposal in close collaboration with the UAntwerp supervisor and with support from the Grants Office;
- . Send your draft proposal to the Grants Office for feedback;
- . Ask the Grants Office for administrative support (e.g. for completing part A);
- . Submit your proposal through the European Commission's participant portal in a timely way.

# Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships at the University of Antwerp





## More information

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eu-cel@uantwerpen.be www.uantwerpen.be/MSCA-IF Are you a postdoctoral researcher thinking about your next career move?

Are you looking for a young and dynamic university to supervise your postdoctoral research? Then applying for a Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship with the University of Antwerp as host institution might be the right thing to do for you.

The Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships fund promising postdoctoral researchers with a view to develop their academic and transversal skills and enhance their career prospects by moving and working abroad.

The UAntwerp allows you to work in a first class research environment located within the vibrant city of Antwerp and to work on your academic and transversal skills.

## What does the University of Antwerp offer?

#### An excellent research environment that supports international scholars

The University of Antwerp is a young and dynamic university with high standards in education, internationally competitive research and entrepreneurial approach. For several years now the University ranks top-15 in the "Top 50 Universities Under 50 years".

The University has an excellent and long-standing track record as to participating in EU framework R&D programmes, including MSCA Fellowships and Training Networks.

With no fewer than 88 nationalities represented among its staff members and around 130 nationalities among its students, Antwerp has an excellent international reputation and offers a well-suited setting for international scholars.

The University was rewarded with the logo "HR Excellence in Research": it has an active HR policy and strives to offer staff the best opportunities for personal development.

#### A dynamic and prosperous city

Antwerp is a dynamic and prosperous city in the north of Belgium with a rich historical past and a vibrant cultural life. It has a thriving fashion, design, food and nightlife scene. The city is well connected by train to major European cities like Brussels (30 minutes), Amsterdam (75 minutes), London (3 hours) and Paris (2 hours).

Find out more about "Antwerp Life" on the University's webpage: www.uantwerpen.be/antwerp-life.

## Short intro into the Individual Fellowships

Only experienced researchers can apply for an Individual Fellowship: either you have a doctoral degree or you have an equivalent four years full-time research experience by the time the call closes.

There are roughly two different types of fellowships: the **European Fellowships** (EFs) and the **Global Fellowships** (GFs).

**European Fellowships** (EFs) are intended for promising postdoctoral researchers from any nationality who wish to work elsewhere in Europe or to return to Europe. To be more precise: researchers need to move (or having moved) from any country to the EU Member State or Associated Country where the host institution is located.

- . In addition to these standard European Fellowships, the EF programme also offers career prospects to postdoctoral researchers of any nationality who are looking for research funding opportunities after a stay abroad and are eager to return to a host institution within Europe (**Reintegration European Fellowships**).
- . The EF programme provides similar support for postdoctoral researchers who wish to restart their research career after a career break of at least one year (**Restart European Fellowships**).

Financial support for EFs is provided for a period of minimum 12 and maximum 24 months.

**Global Fellowships** (GFs) are intended for promising postdoctoral researchers who are nationals or long-term residents of an EU Member State or Associated Country and who wish to work outside Europe.

Financial support for GFs is provided for a period of minimum 24 and maximum 36 months, including a mandatory return to an institution in Europe for at least one year.



