

## MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship: Apply with UBremen!

Join our Masterclass on 15 April, 10.00 – 13.00 via zoom.

- ✓ Are you a postdoctoral researcher and want to boost your career?
- ✓ Do you want to advance your intersectoral, interdisciplinary or international experience?
- ✓ Are you looking for an excellent place at a young and vibrant university to host your research?

Then you can apply for a Marie Skłodowska-Curie (MSCA) Postdoctoral Fellowship with the University of Bremen as host institution!

The MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships fund promising postdoctoral researchers who want to develop their academic and transferable skills and enhance their career prospects by moving and working abroad.

The University of Bremen offers a first-class research environment located within the vibrant, liveable and loveable city of Bremen while further increasing your academic and transferable skills.

To learn how to write a competitive proposal for a MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship join our **free online course** on **15 April 2026**.

The course is provided by the EU Project Support Office of the University of Bremen and a binding registration is required as the course will only be offered if enough attendees register.

To register please send an email to [eu@vw.uni-bremen.de](mailto:eu@vw.uni-bremen.de) **until the 22 March 2026** indicating:

- your name, contact and current affiliation;
- date of (foreseen) PhD defence;
- name, contact and department/institute of your prospective supervisor at Uni Bremen or UBRA partner;
- whether you want to apply for a European or Global Fellowship.

We will provide the course materials and link to join online few days before the course only to the registered participants.

The course will give a brief overview of the MSCA Fellowships and eligibility requirements. We will then dive into the application process and how to write a competitive proposal. The course will include also tips and tricks to write a successful proposal and plenty of time for questions!

## Do you want to know more about the MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships? Then read on...

### What are MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships?

MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships are individual grants for Postdoctoral Researchers to support researches' careers and foster excellence in research. Two types of fellowships exist:

European Fellowships (EFs): for promising postdoctoral researchers from any nationality who wish to work elsewhere in Europe or to return to Europe. Researchers need to move (or having moved) from any country to the EU Member State or Associated Country where the host institution is located. The standard duration of EFs must be between 12 and 24 months.

Global Fellowships (GFs): fund the mobility of promising postdoctoral researchers who wish to work outside Europe. GFs require an outgoing phase between 12 and 24 months in a non-associated Third Country, and a mandatory 12-month return phase to a host institution in Europe. Only nationals or long-term residents of an EU Member State or Associated Countries can apply.

### Who can apply?

Postdoctoral researchers (PhD holders) with a maximum of 8 years fulltime equivalent experience in research (at the call deadline).

Mobility is key: fellows must comply with the mobility rule, i.e. not having resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in the country of the beneficiary (for EF), or in the country of the outgoing phase (for GF) for more than 12 months in the 36 months immediately before the call deadline.

All domains of research are eligible for funding.

### Why choose Bremen?

The University of Bremen is a young and [dynamic university](#), strong in [research](#), excellent in [advancement](#), committed to [teaching](#) and [internationally shaped](#).

The University has an excellent and long-standing track record in participating in EU framework R&D programmes, collaborative research projects, ERC grants, and Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellowships and Doctoral Networks.

The University holds the "[HR Excellence in Research](#)" logo and strives to offer staff the best opportunities for personal development.

The EU Project Support Office will support you during every step of the application phase and during your project. We offer individual consulting sessions on MSCA fellowships to support you in:

- Checking your eligibility for the Postdoctoral Fellowship call
- Making sure you have an excellent project idea for an MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship which matches the expertise of a supervisor/host group at UniBremen
- Writing your proposal and proof-read it
- Completing all institutional aspects and horizontal issues (open science, gender, ethics, research data management, etc.) are included

We also provide administrative support for your MSCA PF application and help you navigate the proposal submission procedure.

In the post-award phase, we will help you keep track of your project and with the reporting to the European Commission as well as with navigating the general rules and requirements of the programme.

## Indicative agenda

<b>Session 1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. What are MSCA postdoctoral fellowships</li><li>b. Eligibility</li></ul>
<b>Session 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Proposal components</li><li>b. Evaluation</li><li>c. Timeline for successful applications</li></ul>
<b>Session 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Tips &amp; tricks</li><li>b. Q&amp;A</li></ul>

Minimum number of participants to the course: 5

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