



# Slovak Academy of Sciences

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**SASPRO & SASPRO 2**

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# Introduction



**The Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS)** is a leading research – implementing institution in Slovakia

*Main mission* is to carry out basic and applied research across a wide range of scientific fields

- ❖ Physical, Space, Earth and Engineering Sciences
- ❖ Life, Chemical, Medical and Environmental Sciences
- ❖ Social Sciences, Humanities, Arts and Culture

SAS is the founder of 45 scientific Institutes.

SAS, as a budgetary organization, is an independent legal entity with its own budget chapter, whose activities are governed by Act No. 133/2002 Coll. on the Slovak Academy of Sciences.



Total number of employees: 4 528

Number of researchers: 3 000

Majority of institutes are located in the capital city of Slovakia in Bratislava, but also on the east Slovakia in Košice and High Tatras.





# Department of Research and Development



- VEGA Department – National Grant Agency of Ministry of Education and SAS, web: <http://www.vega.sav.sk>
- Research Support Department





Slovak Academy of Sciences Programme



## Slovak Academy of Sciences PROfessionals – mobility programme of SAS: supportive fund for excellent scientists.

- solely implemented by Slovak Academy of Sciences 2014 – 2018 (FT7)
- programme for experienced scientists from abroad who were interested in working in organisations of the SAS
- Project length: 12 to 36 months (freely chosen topic of the project)
- Two mobility schemes: incoming and reintegration
- **Objective:** provide scientists with appropriate and motivating conditions that will enable them to develop their careers, gain new experience and establish international cooperation via transparent two stage recruitment process
- Equally important was the effort to support the return of Slovaks from abroad
- Number of applications: 138
- **Total number of Fellows: 38 (16 Slovaks, 22 foreigners HU, GE, NO, UK, IN, SE, PL..)**
- Financing 40/60%, total budget: 7,8 mil. € (EU: 3,1 mil. €, SAS: 4,7 mil. €)





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## SASPRO (FP7) – SASPRO 2 (Horizon 2020)

3 submissions in 2017, 2018, finally success in 2019

What's new:

- ✓ +2 partners – two biggest Slovak universities (more options to choose research topic)
- ✓ expansion in number of host organizations to total number of 70 (new facilities, equipment, teaching, more options for collaborations, inter/multidisciplinary and cross/intersectorality)
- ✓ possibility of using the secondment
- ✓ receiving HR excellence in research award
- ✓ SAS member of Euraxess network
- ✓ committee members from academic as well as from application sector
- ✓ IDP, wide range of trainings (open science, IPR, management, grant writing, using AI)



## Slovak Academic and Scientific **PRO**gramme

**SASPRO 2 – H2020 Marie Skłodowska Curie COFUND** mobility programme for outstanding researchers of three top Slovak leading organisations in research, sciences and education

Slovak Academy of Sciences (SAS) – beneficiary - **project coordinator**

Partners: **Comenius University** in Bratislava and **Slovak University of Technology** in Bratislava.

- to create optimal conditions to perform research, enhance quality of Slovak science and research,
- freely chosen research topic, support of multidisciplinary approaches to project solutions, quality trainings, secondment in application sector
- more opportunities portfolio of **70 host organizations**



**Length of fellowship** – min 12 to 36 months

**Programme duration:** October 2020 – September 2025

**Two mobility scheme:** reintegration and incoming scheme

**Within 3 calls – 174 applications** received.

**SAS:** 22 fellowships **Comenius University:** 10 fellowships **Slovak University of**

**Technology:** 9 fellowships

**Total budget: 9,350 mil. €** (SAS: 2,523 mil. €, CU: 1,261 mil. €, STU: 1,261 mil. €)

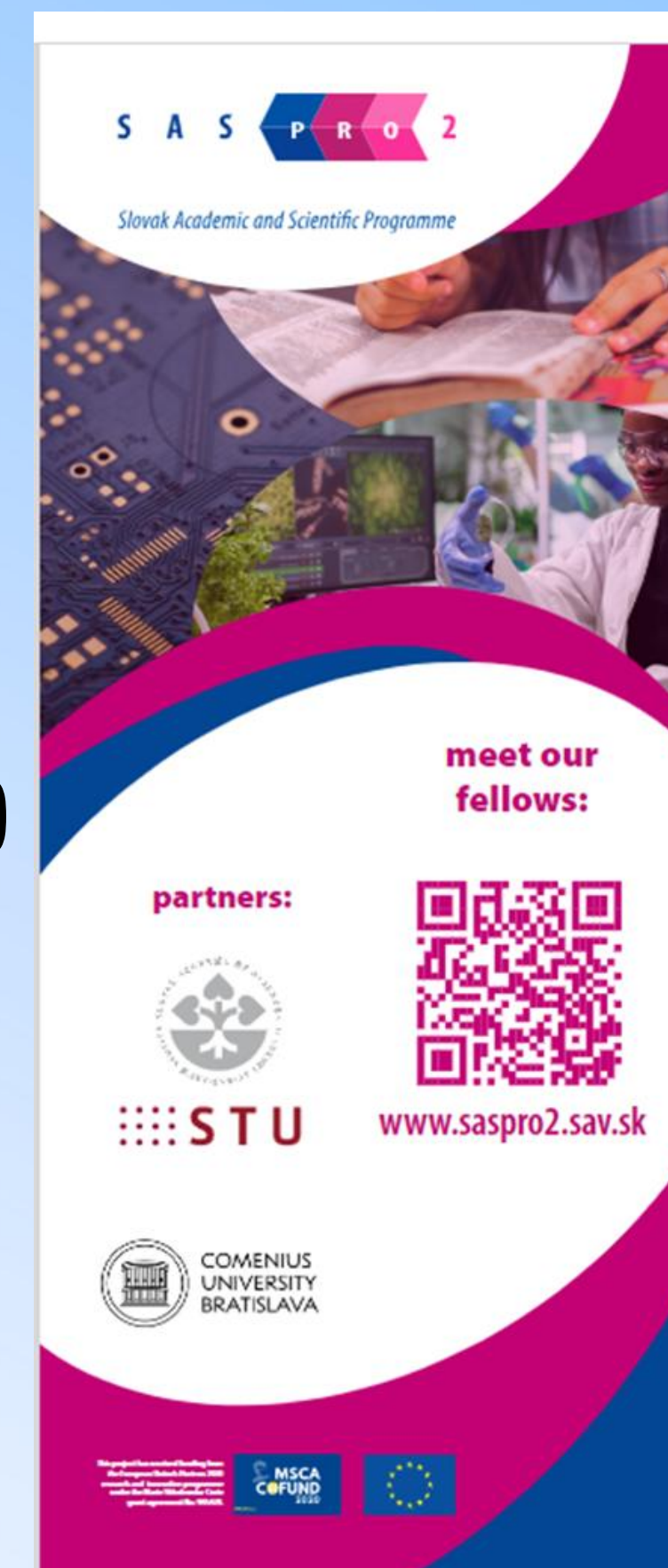
**EU: 4,303 mil. €**

***Statistics on SASPRO 2***

**Total number of financed projects: 41** (currently 37 Marie Curie Fellows)

***Slovak nationals: 16***

**other nationalities: 25** (EU, UA, IN, SG, TR, HU, IND, BRA, KOR, FR, FI...)











## Overall, 2 Cofunds

- ❖ Number of partners: **1+2**
- ❖ Number of applications: **312**
- ❖ Number of successful fellows: **77**
- ❖ Number of external experts: **936**
- ❖ Number of Committee Members: **75**
- ❖ Number of publications (as of March 2025): **450** articles, book/monograph: **60**
- ❖ Number of patents (as of March 2025): **3**
- ❖ Number of kids: **15**
- *SASPRO 3 ? Re-submission in June 2025 ...*



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*Thank you*



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