

#### **MSCA**

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

Developing talents, advancing research

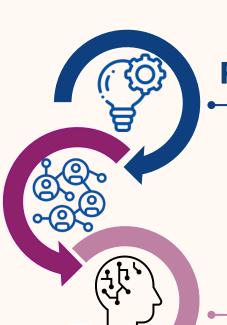




# MSCA Staff Exchanges 2024 Info Day

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#### Overview



**Policy background** 



**Staff Exchanges** 

**Application process** 

**Synergies with other funding** 







# 1. Policy background

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#### The MSCA under Horizon Europe



European Research Council

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

**Research Infrastructures** 



# Pillar II GLOBAL CHALLENGES & EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL COMPETITIVENESS

- Health
- Culture, Creativity & Inclusive Society
- Civil Security for Society
- Digital, Industry & Space
- Climate, Energy & Mobility
- Food, Bioeconomy, Natural Resources, Agriculture & Environment

**Joint Research Center** 



**European Innovation Council** 

**European Innovation Ecosystems** 

**European Institute of Innovation & Technology** 

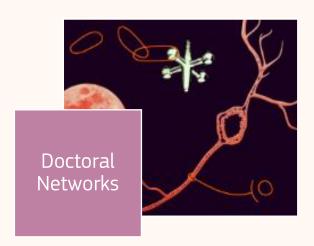
WIDENING PARTICIPATION AND STRENGTHENING THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH AREA

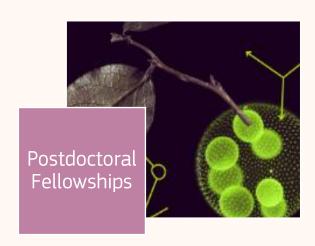
Widening participation & spreading excellence

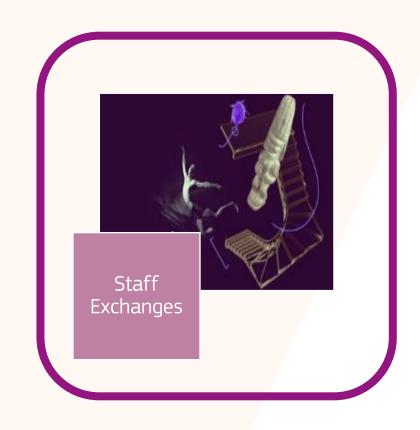
Reforming & enhancing the European R&I system



#### Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)















# 2. Staff Exchanges Main features

Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions

### What is Staff Exchanges?



Research & Innovation mobility action



It equips researchers and organisations **worldwide** with advanced skills and cutting knowledge



It fosters mobility of entities from both the academic and private sectors



Can be combined with other programmes (synergy)



The **budget** allocated in 2024 call is € 99,47 M



# **Objectives**





International, inter-sectoral and interdisciplinary mobility of R&I staff (secondments)



Knowledge transfer between participating organisations



Collaboration
between the
academic and
non-academic
sectors
(including SMEs)



Cooperation across the globe



#### **Key features**









#### **BOTTOM UP**

with different scientific panels

#### **TOP UP ALLOWANCE**

5010 €:

2710 € - staff allowance 2300 € - organisation

#### **SECONDMENTS**

**1-12** months per staff

- Interdisciplinary
- Intersectoral
- International

#### **DURATION**

**4** years **360** person-months per project



# Staff Exchanges - making a difference



#### **WORLD-WIDE**

The highest participation of non-EU countries in MSCA



# BUSINESS PARTICIPATION

Businesses receive an estimated 30 % of the available funding



#### **PATENTS**

Significant share of all patents in MSCA actions



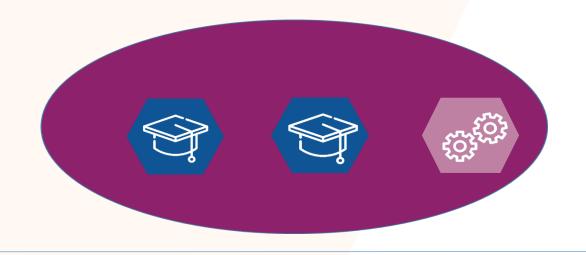
#### **SUCCESS RATE**

Between 20 & 40% depending on the discipline and on the year

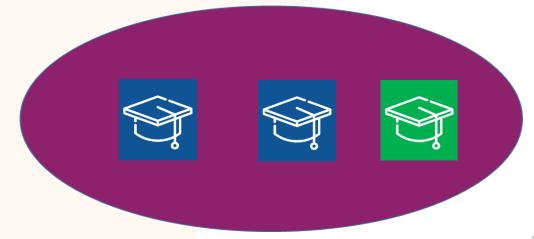


# Eligible SE research consortia (for min of 3 entities)

If all 3 entities are **European** (MS/AC), one should be from a different sector



If all 3 entities from same sector (e.g. academic) one must be located outside Europe





### Eligible staff



Seconded staff members



Any type of staff involved in R&I activities (researchers, administrative staff, managerial staff, technical staff)

Researchers at any career stage (e.g. from doctoral candidates to postdoctoral researchers)

Actively engaged in research and/or innovation activities for at least **1 month** prior at the sending institution

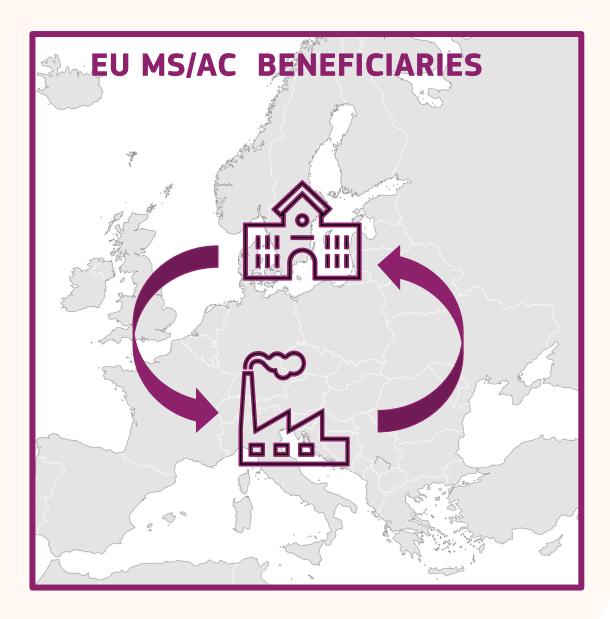
Each staff member is seconded for a period of **1 to 12 months** (may be split into several stays)

Staff needs to be devoted **full-time** to the action during the secondment

After the secondment, staff should return to their sending institution



### Eligible secondments in Europe & AC



















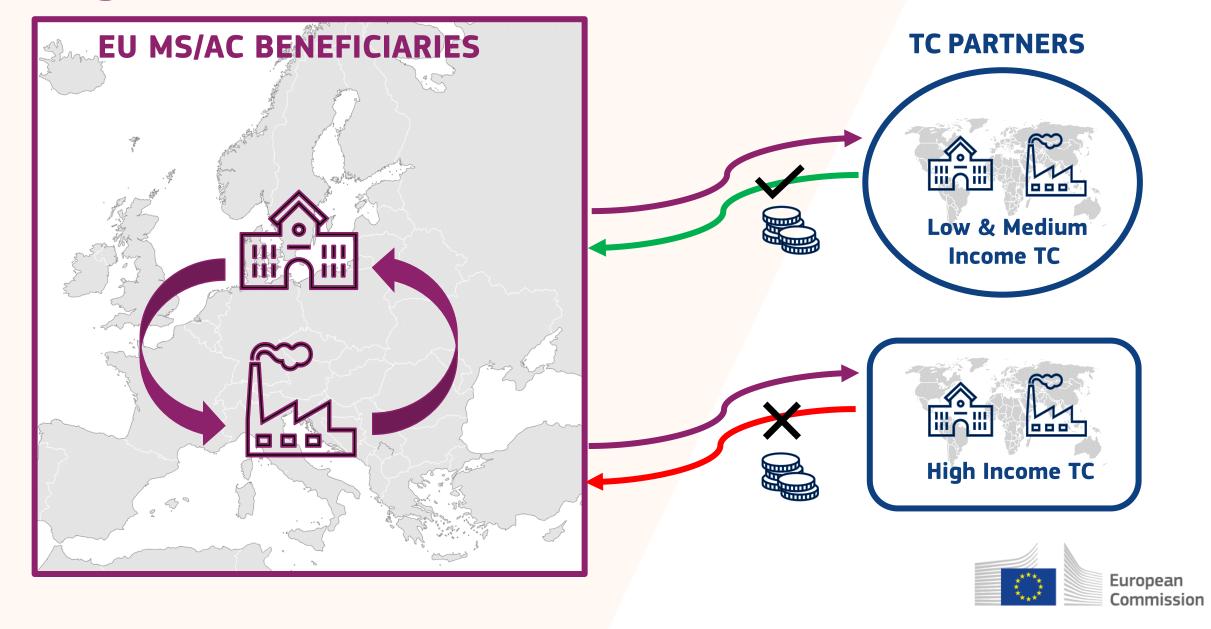




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### Eligible international secondments



#### What does Staff Exchanges fund?



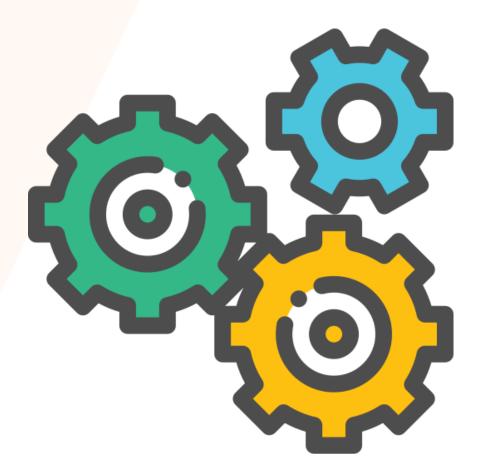


#### Same-sector secondments in Europe (MS/AC)

• ≤ 1/3 of the total secondments funded by the EU, if considered *Interdisciplinary* 

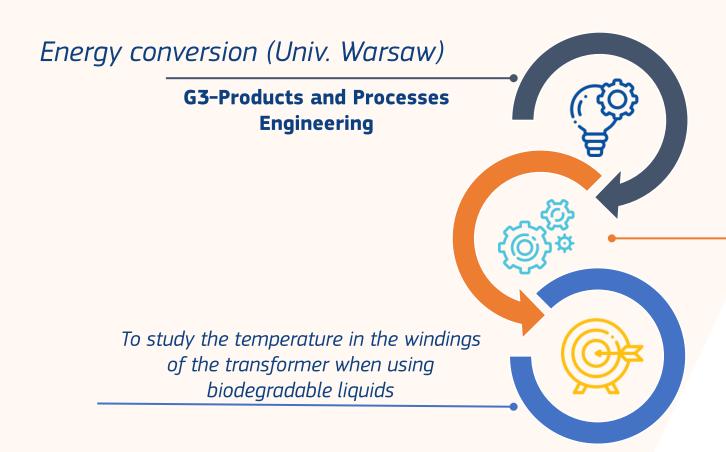
• Interdisciplinary secondments integrate aspects from two or more different scientific disciplines

 Important: scientific panels + descriptors/first level MSCA keywords from proposal form part A (see <u>REA Website</u>)





# Interdisciplinary mobility - example



Numerical analysis (Univ. Prague)

G1-Computer science and informatics



# **How to find partners?**



NETWORKING EVENTS (CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, ETC.)



FORMER OR
CURRENT
COLLABORATIONS



JOINT PROJECTS



FUNDING AND
TENDER
OPPORTUNITIES
PORTAL



MSCA MATCHMAKING PLATFORM



EUROPEAN ENTERPRISE NETWORK



NATIONAL CONTACT POINT



#### INOVEC #101086257 HORIZON-MSCA-2021-SE-01





The **INOVEC** project seeks to establish a broad European network for developing innovative, integrated mosquito vector control methods against emerging arboviruses





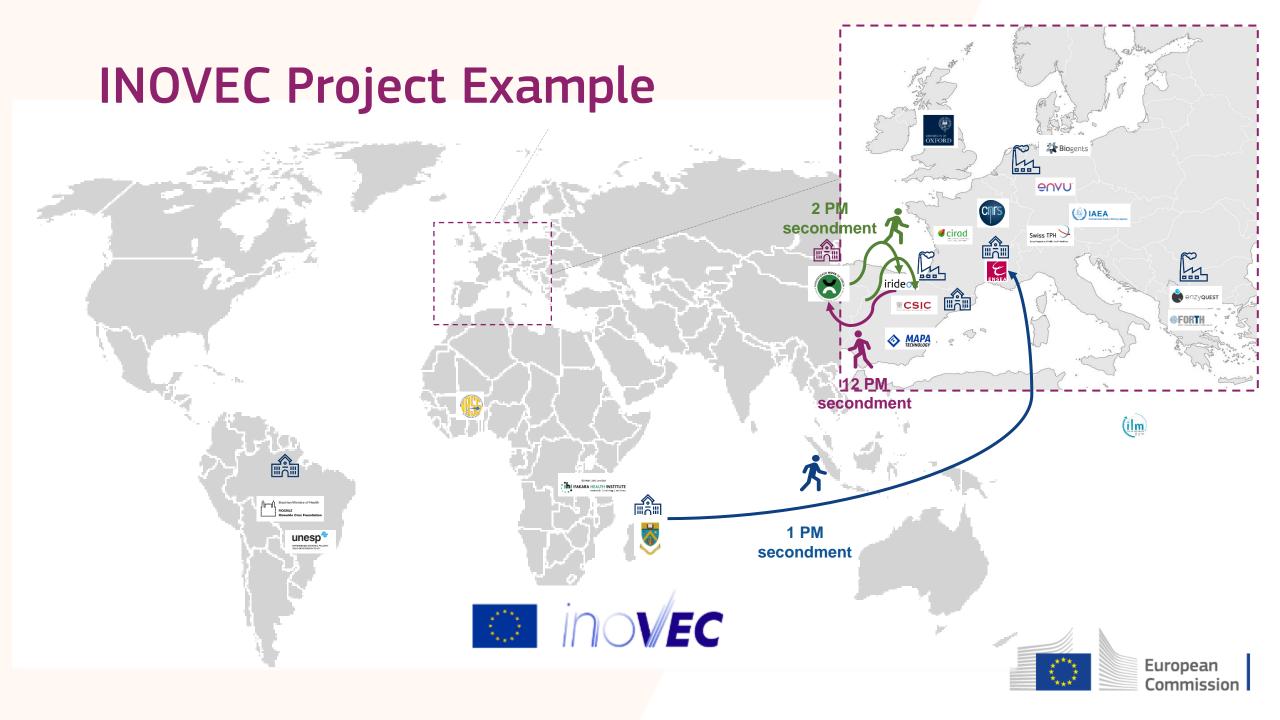
€ 1,407,600.00



- 23 partners
- 14 based in EU/AC
- 9 entity based in a TC
- 8 SME partners











# 3. Staff Exchanges

Proposal submission & evaluation

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#### Key Dates & Budget Call 2024



Call Opening 2024: 19 September 2024



Call Closure: **5 February 2025** 



Call 2024 Budget: **€ 99.47 M** 



SE Info Session: 15 November 2024



#### HORIZON-MSCA-2024-SE-01 – Indicative timeline

Notification of call Launch of the call Deadline for Grant agreement First EU-funded for proposals submitting signature for results to projects start proposals applicants (TBC) successful (TBC) projects (TBC) 19 Sep. 2024 5 Feb. 2025 July 2025 Nov. 2025 Nov. 2025



# **Key Changes**



This year budget is **€ 99,47 M**(20 Million € more!)



Unit cost is increased to **€ 5010** 



Staff allowance increased to € 2710







#### Reference documents





MSCA Work
Programme &
annexes

Proposal templates



Frequently Asked Questions





#### Proposal documents



Funding & tender opportunities

Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA)



SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS ▼

HOW TO PARTICIPATE ▼

PROJECTS & RESULTS WORK AS AN EXPERT

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#### **Apply here!**

#### Part A (structured data)

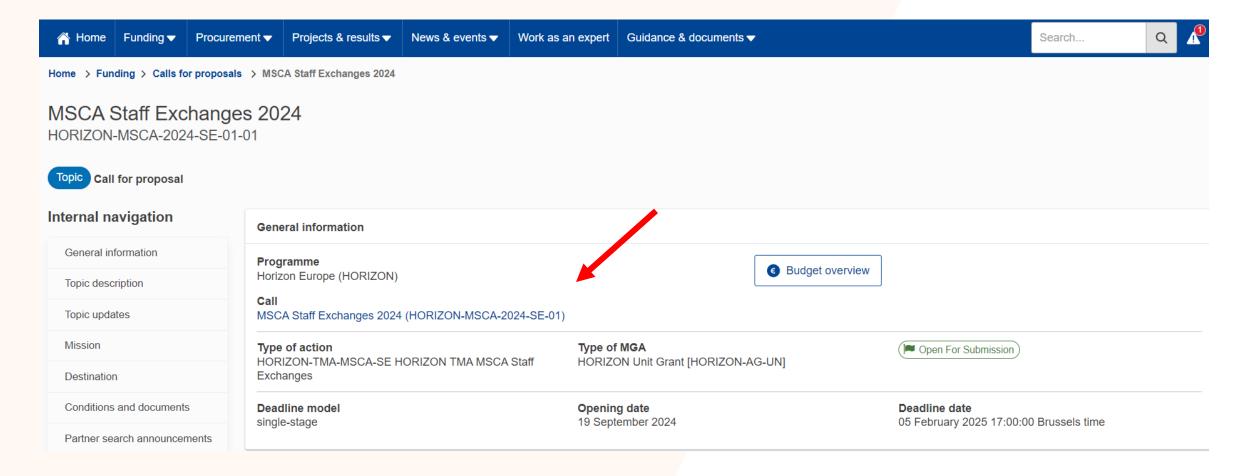
#### (to be filled online) contains administrative information about the applicant organisations

#### Part B (description of action)





# Staff Exchanges 2024 – EU Funding & Tenders Portal



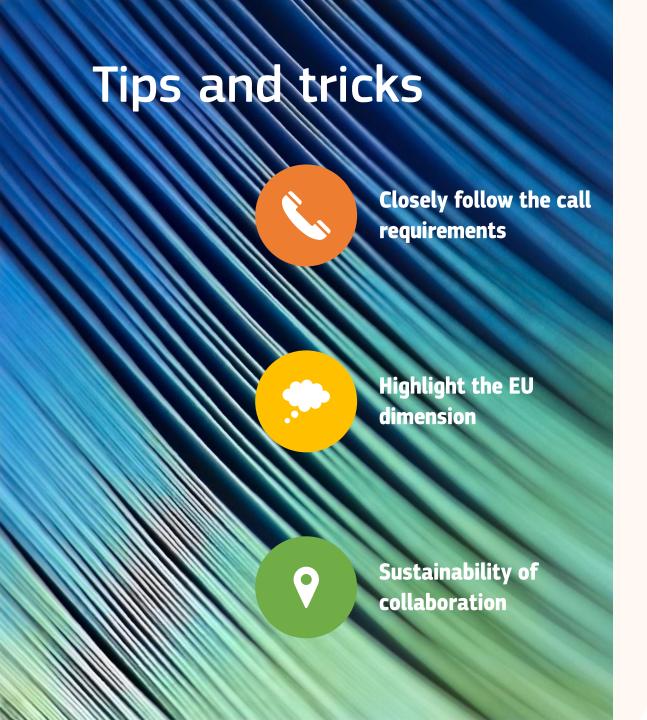


#### Evaluation

Formula for Staff Exchanges success stories

Excellence and Implementation are closely interlinked!







Follow available guidelines



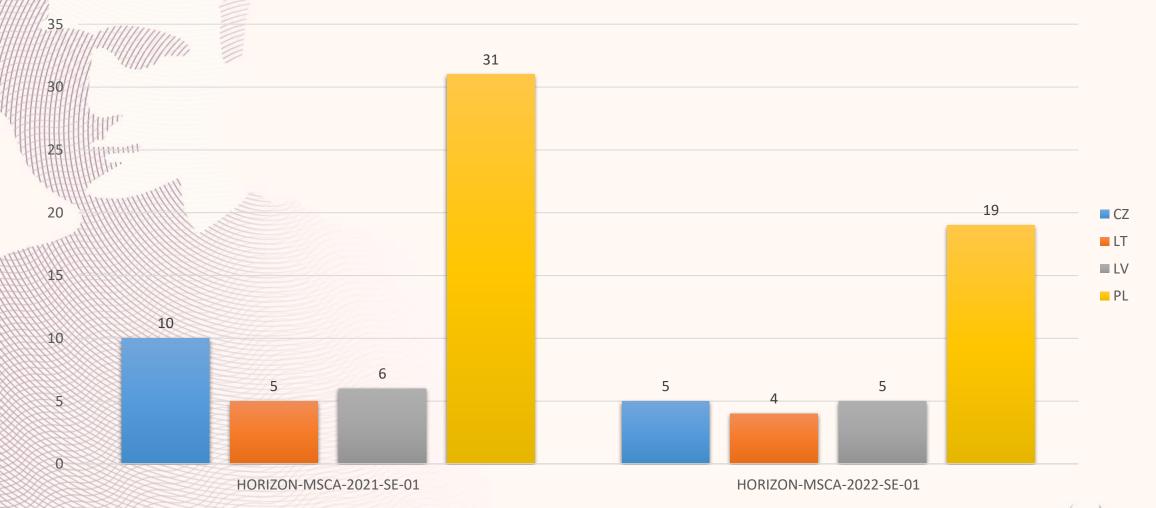
Get a second opinion



Contact your
National Contact Point
(NCP)

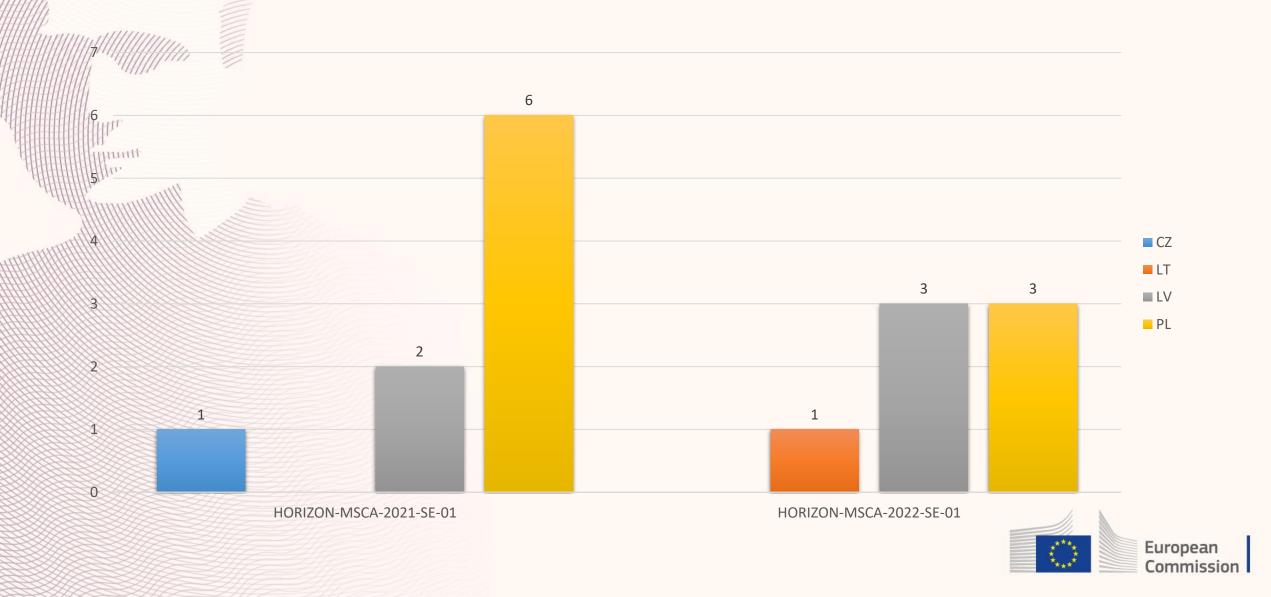


# PL, CZ, LT & LV Participation

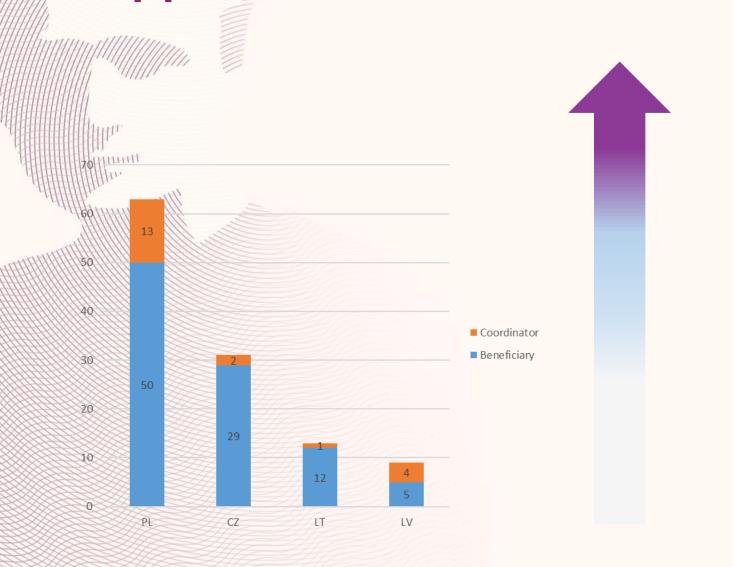


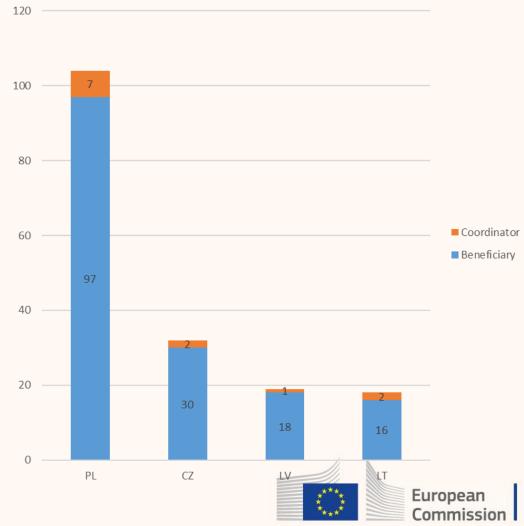


# PL, CZ, LT & LV Coordinators



# Applicants 2022 - 2023





#### Research Enquiry Service

For questions about research and Horizon Europe please contact the Research Enquiry Service (europa.eu)





"Nothing in life is to be feared; it is only to be understood"









# 4. Staff Exchanges Synergies with other funding

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#### Main Incentives for synergies with MSCA SE

#### How?



- Short-term inter-sectoral, interdisciplinary, and international secondments.
- Interdisciplinary same-sector exchanges.



#### **Organization and researcher**

- For a university/ research center/ company/ etc., investing in a secondee who will bring fresh perspectives and knowledge back to the organization.
- For a researcher, acquiring new skills and knowledge, career development and future working opportunities in an industrial/ academic endeavour.

#### Consortium





- Expand the project's scientific and innovative scope
- Promote knowledge exchange with third countries
- Foster future partnerships and international collaborations



# **Current Project**











#### Double funding during secondment

#### A synergetic MSCA SE project



Travel



Accommodation



Subsistence



Management costs related to the SE project

#### **Another funding**











#### **European Research Executive Agency**

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https://rea.ec.europa.eu/funding-and-grants/horizon-europe -marie-sklodowska-curie-actions\_en



