

Frequently Asked Question: MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship

<p><i>I would like to participate in the MSCA PF call with PoliTO. What should I do?</i></p>	<p>Applicants who choose POLITO as their Host Institution, must meet the eligibility requirements for the Call for Proposals and identify and contact by themselves a POLITO Supervisor, by consulting the pages describing our Academic 11 Departments.</p>
<p><i>How can I access the support offered by PoliTO?</i></p>	<p>To access POLITO's support services, candidates must fill out this PoliTO Letter of Commitment, duly signed by the PoliTO Supervisor and the candidate, and send it to msca@polito.it to access the Teams channel that collects resources to support the writing of competitive proposals.</p>
<p><i>I would like to participate in the MSCA PF call for proposals, but I obtained my doctorate some time ago. Am I eligible?</i></p>	<p>At the call deadline, researchers must have a maximum of 8 years of full-time equivalent research experience, calculated from the date of obtaining their PhD. Years of experience outside of research and career breaks (e.g., due to documented parental leave) will not be counted for the purposes of calculating research experience.</p>
<p><i>I come from a non-EU country and would like to participate in the MSCA PF call with PoliTO. What should I do?</i></p>	<p>As a non-EU citizen, you can apply for the European MSCA PF call, but you must comply with the mobility rule set out in the call: you must not have resided or carried out your main activity (work, studies, etc.) for more than 12 months in the 3 years prior to the call deadline in the beneficiary country (Italy in the case of PoliTO). More information is available here.</p>
<p><i>I would like to participate in a Global MSCA PF: how does the period abroad work?</i></p>	<p>In the case of a Global Fellowship, the call provides for a 24-month outgoing phase in a non-EU country that is not on the list of countries affiliated with Horizon Europe,</p>

	<p>and a 12-month incoming phase at the host institution (in this case, PoliTO), for a total of 36 months (more information available here).</p>
<p><i>What expenses does the MSCA PF call cover?</i></p>	<p>The MSCA PF budget is divided between contributions for the researcher and contributions for the host institution.</p> <p><u>Contributions for the researcher:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Living allowance: Covers the researcher's basic salary. - Mobility allowance: Contribution towards the researcher's relocation and accommodation expenses abroad. This is used to cover travel costs, initial accommodation, moving expenses, etc. - Family allowance (if applicable): Provided for researchers who have dependent family members at the time of application or who acquire this status during the project (marriage or birth of children). It supports additional family-related costs (larger accommodation, family expenses, etc.). <p><u>Contributions for the host organization</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Research, training and networking costs: These cover expenses directly related to the research project and the development of the researcher's skills (e.g., laboratory materials and consumables; participation in conferences, workshops; networking activities). - Management and indirect costs: These cover the host institution's general costs (e.g., overhead costs such as rent and utilities).

Is the proposal uploaded to the Funding&Tenders portal by the researcher or by the PoliTO Supervisor?

The proposal is submitted under the scientific responsibility of the PoliTO Supervisor. The proposal must always include at least two accounts: one for the researcher (internal or external to PoliTO) and one for the PoliTO Supervisor. It does not matter who makes the final submission.