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## European Research Funding Opportunities

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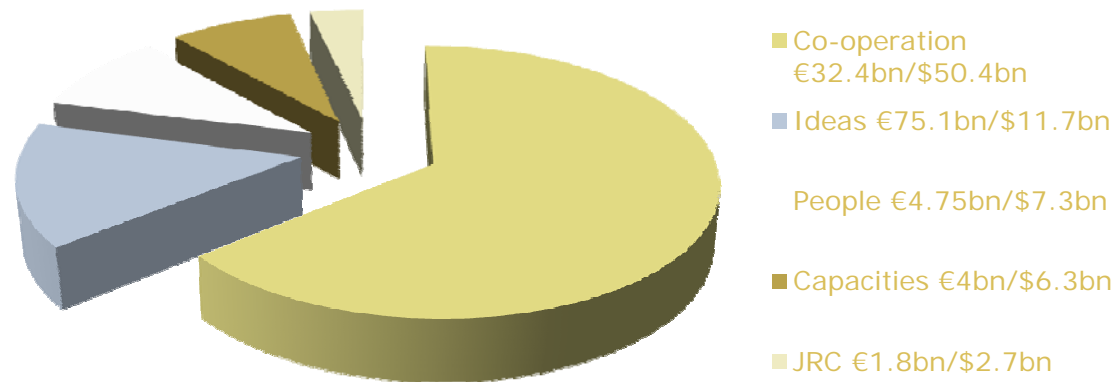
## Welcome and Introduction

- **Raise awareness of opportunities to support your research collaborations in Europe at European Union and national levels by providing an introduction to:**
  - European Union research funding opportunities specifically the Marie Curie
  - U.S. – UK research funding opportunities
  - U.S.-Germany research funding opportunities



## Introduction to EU and research

- **European Union – economic and political union**
  - Key policy areas: Research, Regional Development, Natural Resources
  - Funds research to support European Union competitiveness agenda
- **Framework Programme 7 (2007-2013): budget €50,521 million [\$78,610 million]**





## European Union

- **EU-27**  
Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, UK
- **FP7 Associated Countries (AC)**  
Switzerland, Israel, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Turkey, Croatia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Serbia, Albania and Montenegro





## Overview of the Marie Curie Program

- **Make Europe more attractive to researchers**
  - Encourage people to become researchers
  - Encourage researchers to carry out their research in Europe
  - Transnational and inter-sectoral (business – academia) mobility
- **€4.75 billion [\$7.3 billion] over 7 years**
- **The researcher is central to all Marie Curie projects. In order to assess eligibility (for project or fellowship), it is essential to consider the following:**
  - The minimum or maximum amount of research experience stipulated for the fellowship
  - The transnational mobility requirements for the fellowship



## Transnational Mobility Requirements

- **Must not have been resident in host country for more than 12 months in the last 3 years immediately before application deadline (for individual actions)**
- **Cannot be a national of host country unless**
  - European researcher working outside EU for 3 of the last 4 years
  - Dual nationality and have not resided in a country of nationality for the last 5 years
  - International organisation
  - Return and reintegration grants



## Individual Fellowships

- **Researcher applies jointly with host**
- **European host is always key contractor**
- **Length of stay depends on fellowship type**
- **Aimed at 'Experienced Researchers' defined as those with PhD or  $\geq 4$  years full-time equivalent research experience**
- **Three categories:**
  - International Incoming Fellowships (IIF) (non-EU to EU/AC)
  - International Outgoing Fellowships (IOF) (EU/AC to non-EU)
  - Intra-European Fellowships (IEF) (EU/AC to EU/AC)
- **Annual deadlines mid-August**
- **Next deadline: August 19 2008 17:00 hours Brussels time**



## Individual Fellowships

- **International Incoming Fellowship (non-EU to EU/AC)**
  - 12 – 24 months incoming phase in EU/AC
  - Knowledge-sharing
  - Mutually-beneficial research co-operation
- **International Outgoing Fellowship (EU/AC to non-EU)**
  - 24 – 36 months in total of which 12 -24 months in third country followed by mandatory reintegration phase in European host institutions
- **Intra-European (EU/AC to EU/AC)**
  - 12 – 24 months in a different EU country or AC
  - Attaining or strengthening professional independence
  - Skills diversification



## Individual Fellowship Funding

- **For the researcher**
  - Living allowance
  - Mobility allowance
  - Travel allowance
  - Career exploratory allowance
- **For the institution**
  - Contribution to research costs
  - Contribution to management costs
  - Other eligible costs possible
- **Indirect costs (overheads)**
- **≈ €160K [≈ \$250k] for two year project**



## International Re-integration Grants

- **For EU/AC nationals who wish to return to EU/AC following a period of research outside Europe for at least 3 years**
- **Contribute to development of lasting co-operation with scientific community of the third country from which they have returned**
- **No requirement to be Marie Curie alumni**
  - Support a research project of 2- 4 years
  - Contributes to the research costs only
  - Host commits to researcher for at least 3 years
  - Must not be employed in research in EU at time of application
- **Biannual deadlines. Next deadline 8 October 2008**



## International Research Staff Exchange Scheme (IRSES)

- **New!**
- **Aims to strengthen research partnerships through staff exchanges and networking activities between European research organizations and organizations in 29 non-European countries including the USA**
- **Balanced two-way exchange between organizations in an EU country or AC, and one or more third countries**
- **Secondments for up to one year, and can include researchers, management and technical staff**
- **Third country partners are expected to fund their own participation in the network**
- **Next anticipated deadline: March 2009**

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## Further information

- **Estelle Kane, International Funding Researcher**  
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- **University Outreach and International Programs**
  - <http://uoip.ucdavis.edu/uoip/resources.cfm>
- **European Union website**
  - [http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/people/home\\_en.html](http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/people/home_en.html)
- **Marie Curie vacancies**
  - <http://mc-opportunities.cordis.lu/>
- **European Researcher's Portal**
  - [http://europa.eu.int/eracareers/index\\_en.cfm](http://europa.eu.int/eracareers/index_en.cfm)