

PEOPLE - MARIE CURIE ACTIONS

Initial Training Networks (ITN)

The Initial Training Networks aim at improving career perspectives of early-stage researchers (within the first four years of their careers and *not yet* awarded with a PhD), by providing them with a comprehensive research training programme. This action financially supports competitive networks of research organisations from both public and private sectors, located in different countries, which build together a training programme. The training programme must respond to specific needs in scientific and technological areas and also includes complementary skills. It is expected that recruited researchers are exposed to other sectors, including private companies. Alike the other Marie Curie Actions, ITN follows a bottom-up approach, i.e. research fields are chosen freely by the applicants.

ITN proposals may take one of the three forms:

- <u>Multi-partner ITNs (Multi-ITN):</u> networks with at least three participants established in at least three different EU Member States (MS) or Associated Countries (AC)
- <u>Innovative Doctoral Programmes (IDP):</u> a sole participant established in a MS or AC offers an interdisciplinary doctoral programme
- <u>European Industrial Doctorates (EID)</u>: consortia of two partners: one from an academic institution and one from the private sector established in two different MS or AC. Recruited researchers must spend at least 50% of their time at the private partner

Eligible researchers:

- Early-stage researchers: in the first 4 years of their research career and not yet awarded with a PhD.
 They can be recruited for a duration of 3-36 months
- Experienced researchers: with a PhD and max. 5
 years of research experience. They can be recruited
 for 3-24 months. Only possible in Multi-ITNs, up to
 max. 20%
- Eligible researchers can be of any nationality but must comply with the mobility rule: they must not have worked or resided in the country of destination for more than 12 months in the past 3 years

FACTS

Specific Programme:

PEOPLE – Initial Training Networks (ITN)

Project duration:

48 months

Budget:

2013: €470,72 Mio.

Link:

http://rp7.ffg.at/menschen

Next Call:

FP7-PEOPLE-2013-ITN Call opens: 10.07.2012 Deadline: 22.11.2012 at 17:00 Brussels local time





FUNDING

The contribution of the European Commission will cover the activities of the recruited researchers as well as part of the costs for the implementation of the project.

Contribution to the researchers:

Living allowance*	- Early-stage researchers: €38.000/year - Experienced researchers (not more than 5 years of research experience): €58.500/year
Mobility allowance*	- Single: €700/month - With family: €1.000/month

^{*}A correction coefficient is applied to these figures, reflecting the costs of living of the host country (e.g. Austria: 106,2%).

Contribution to the host organisations:

Contribution to research/training/transfer of knowledge expenses	ITN: €1.800/researcher-month IDP & EID: €1.200/researcher-month
Management	Max. 10% of the total community contribution
Overheads	10% of direct costs (except for subcontractors)

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