IDEAL PROGRAMME - MSCA-COFUND ACTION OFFERS 6 POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS IN NANOSCIENCE AND NANOTECHNOLOGY

IDEAL is a fellowship programme led by Fundación IMDEA Nanociencia and supported by the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) COFUND programmes that over five years aims to attract 12 talented postdoctoral researchers interested in developing innovative, intersectoral and interdisciplinary research projects in a leading research centre in the field of nanoscience and nanotechnology.

IMDEA Nanociencia is committed to providing a pool of researchers with the skills and knowledge needed to tackle the next challenges in the field nanoscience by offering a complete training programme in connection with international and industrial partners. IMDEA Nanociencia offers a highly competitive world-class research environment.

In this call we offer a total of 6 contracts for researchers that will have the consideration of Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellows and will be hired on a full-time standard employment contract for the duration of 30 months, complying with the Spanish legislation for the performance of a research project.

A full list of cross-programme research topics in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology is published on the programmes website, candidates must select one of the topics to develop their proposal under that area. Applicants are able to freely choose a research topic and supervisor fitting their individual needs, they are also able to apply for more than one topic but an application must be submitted for each topic/proposal.

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- **Position Requirements**
  - **Mobility requirements**: Following the MSCA mobility rule-incoming candidates must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in Spain for more than 12 months in the last 3 years before the call deadline, with exception for career breaks (i.e. parental and sick leaves) and research at risks.
  - **Doctoral degree**: Candidates must have gained a PhD degree in the previous four years at the date of application, with exceptions for career breaks and researchers at risk.
  - **Research experience**: Applicants must at the time of the call deadline be in possession of a doctoral degree or have at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience.
  - **Publication track record**: Have at least three publications in internationally peer-reviewed journals at the time of the call deadline.

- **Eligibility Criteria**
  - Candidates must comply with the eligibility criteria stated in the requirements section by the call deadline, as of 30th September 2021.
  - At the time of application, candidates must provide the PhD title or proof that it will be awarded by 30th September 2021.
• Evidence to verify other eligibility and the applicable deductions will be requested before the contract is concluded.

• How to apply

The recruitment and selection process follows Open, Transparent and Merit based Recruitment (OTM-R) practices in accordance to the European Charter & Code for Researchers (C&C) principles related to the Recruitment of Researchers.

Candidates must complete an online application and submit their CV, a Motivation Letter and a Research Proposal. All the information about the selection process can be found on the programme website and in the guides for applicants https://idealcofund-project.eu/

• Benefits

**Fellows will have the consideration of Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellows** and will be hired on a **full-time** standard employment contract for the duration of **30 months**, complying with the Spanish legislation for the performance of a research project.

Through their contracts, fellows will have access to **maternity/paternity, retirement, family benefits, and unemployment benefits**. Fellows and their families will have access to public **health care coverage and medical assistance**.

Fellows will directly receive **research costs** that will consist on a living allowance (covering salaries, social security contributions, taxes and other costs included in the remuneration) a mobility allowance (mobility costs to take up the position) and a family allowance (to cover additional costs per dependent child after checking eligibility).

IMDEA Nanociencia will manage **other research and travel costs** available for the fellows that might cover costs directly related with the development of the projects and necessary for the successful execution and travel costs associated with the researchers training and networking and to cover relevant expenses in secondments.

A complete and innovative **training and career development programme** that includes supervising and mentoring, networking and secondments is also offered.

• **Deadline for applications**: 30th September 2021

• **Envisaged starting date**: 1st January 2022