

Research and Innovation Staff Exchange (RISE) Kick off meeting

Sept 12, 2019

**Amanda Jane OZIN-HOFSAESS** 

Research Programme Administrator A.3. MSCA RISE Research Executive Agency



#### **OVERVIEW**

- Mobility in Research and RISE objectives
- Your MAT/PHY RISE team
- Grant management key points
- Where to find answers!

## Marie Skłodowska-Curie



"You cannot hope to build a better world without improving the individuals"



# Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions in Horizon 2020 (2014-2020)

The three pillars of H2020



#### MSCA:

European Union's main programme for researcher training and career development through mobility

#### **Objective:**

Ensure optimum development and dynamic use of Europe's intellectual capital in order to generate new skills, knowledge and innovation





# Mobility = Take your career in your own hands



# Why does training & mobility matter?

# Only 4% of researchers change country, but those who do have 40% higher average citation rates

C.R. Sugimoto et al. (2017), "Scientists have most impact when they're free to move", Nature Vol.550, Issue 7674 (study tracking 16 million individuals who published papers in the period 2008-2015)

#### MCSA fellows:

- Produced more and more highly-cited publications
- Enjoyed better employment prospects and contracts
- Were more successful in applying for ERC grants
- Collaborate more with non-academic sector
- Achieved senior position more frequently

European Commission (2014), Marie Curie Researchers and their Long-Term Career Development: A Comparative Study (by Economisti Associati, GfK and ISI Fraunhofer)



# **Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions**



Research and Innovation Staff Exchanges



Innovative Training Networks



Individual fellowships



Cofunding of research programmes



## What is MSCA RISE?



- RISE = "Research and Innovation Staff Exchange"
- Horizon 2020 family of Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA)
- Funding in any scientific field for joint research and innovation projects
- Implemented through exchange of staff and networking

# **RISE Objectives**







Boost careers of researcher via mobility

Strengthen partnerships across globe



Knowledge and discoveries across disciplines



## What does RISE fund?





# **RISE** in practice



#### Who

Minimum 3 independent organisations from 3 different countries; 2 of which MS/AC

#### What

Joint R&I activities

#### How

Staff exchanges (1-12 months)

## **How long**

Up to 4 years

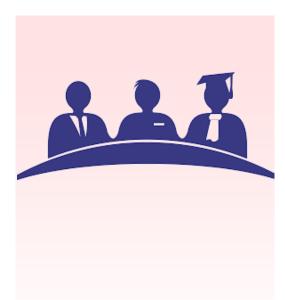
### How many exchanges

Up to 540 months





### **RISE Secondments**



"Intersectoral"

EU Member States (MS) and Associated countries (AC)



"International"

Between EU MS/AC and Third Country partners



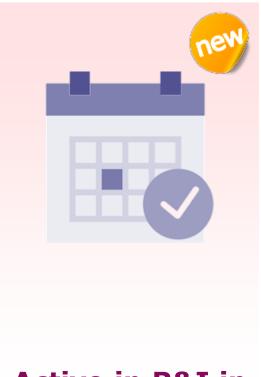
# Which staff can be exchanged?



"Staff" in participating organisation



Have research experience



Active in R&I in the last 1 month



# **MSCA-RISE - Who are we?**

- Your MAT/PHY RISE team
  - Annouchka Nabokoff, Robert Szczepanski, Amir
     Spahic, Amanda Jane Ozin-Hofsaess
  - Head of Sector (Brito Ferreira)
  - Head of Unit (Fredrik Olsson Hector)
- Grant management key points
- Where to find answers!

# **Key issues in project « life cycle »**

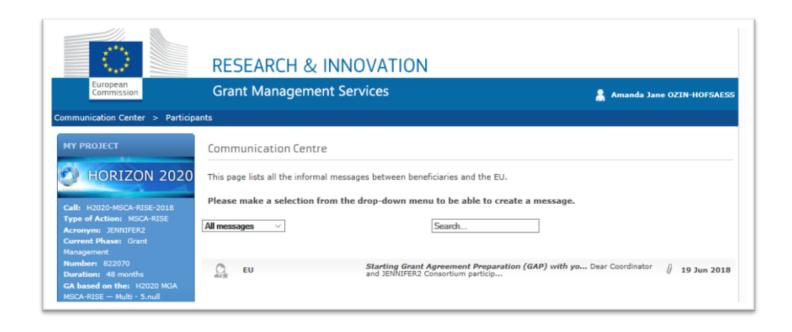
- Mobility in Research
- RISE objectives
- Your MAT/PHY RISE team
- Grant management
- Where to find answers!

# **Project** « life cycle »

- 1. Signed Grant agreement + Consortium Agreement
- 2. Starting secondments and continuous reporting
- 3. Deliverable = Annual Progress report 1 M24
- 4. Deliverable = Mid term meeting (MTM) M14-20
- 5. Periodic Report (RP1) for payment M24
- 6. Deliverable = Annual Progress report 2 M36
- 7. Complete implementation secondments
- 8. Periodic Report (RP2) for final payment M48

# Your Grant and Consortium Agreement (CA)

- Major changes = amendment
- Other needs check with PO
- Confirm CA signed via Participant Portal Grant Management system (PPGMS)



# **Secondments and Continuous Reporting**

- Get started and follow the secondment plan
- Encode correctly (i.e. split stays)
- Deviations communicate with justification to coordinator for monitoring and reporting

#### Secondment duration

# 1 MONTH (MINIMUM) per "secondment"

- √ same staff member
- ✓ same sending organisation
- √ same <u>hosting organisation</u>



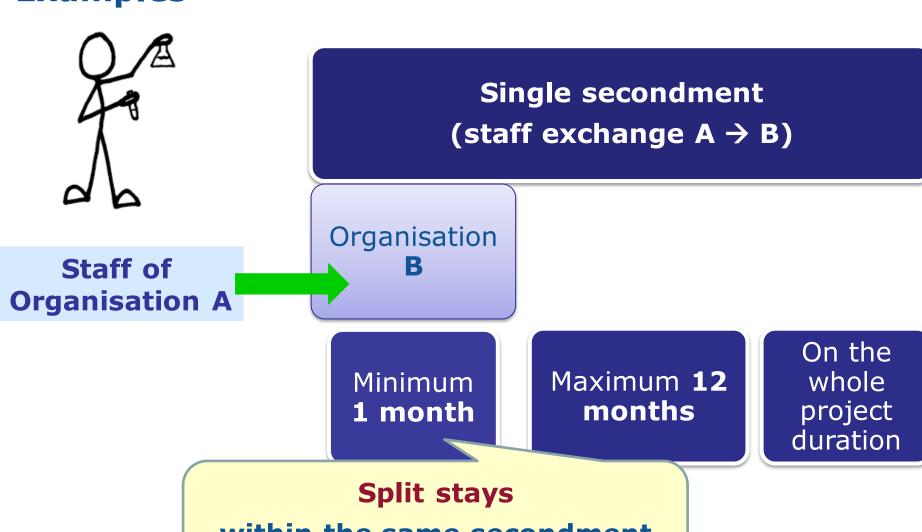


Travel periods included



Split stays allowed and please encode correctly!!

#### **Examples**



within the same secondment to reach 1 month minimum

### Examples (2)



Staff of Organisation A

Multiple secondments (staff exchange  $A \rightarrow B + C + D$ )

Organisation

B

Organisation

C

Organisation

D

Minimum 1 month

Maximum 12 months

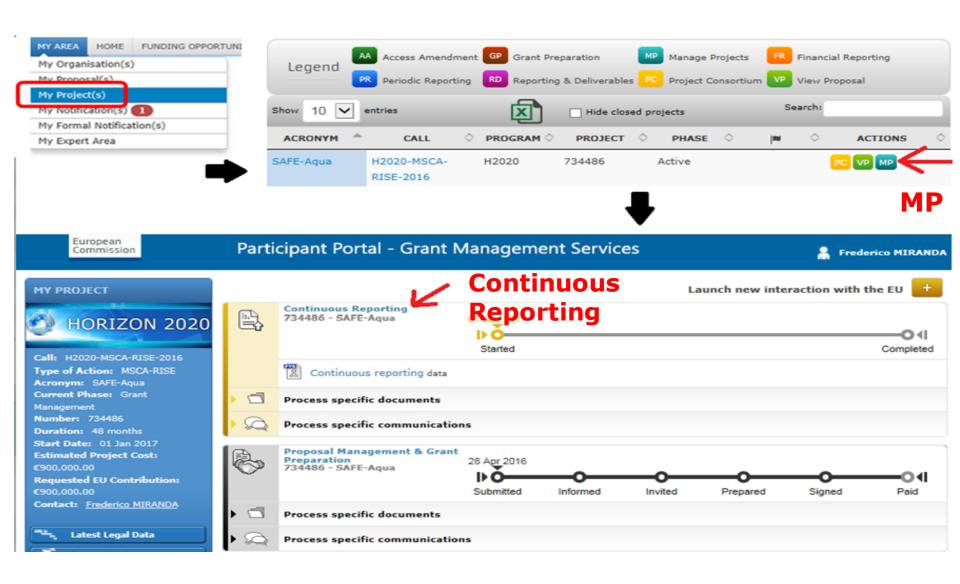
On the whole project duration

Split stays
within the same hosting
organisation
to reach 1 month
minimum

# **Secondments and Continuous Reporting**

- Keep secondment and other information up to date in the continuous reporting mode
- Keep record of achievements in secondments to be linked to the technical work in **periodic reports** (RP1/2)

#### **REPORTING - Continuous**



#### **REPORTING - Continuous**

### **Key information tabs SYGMA**

- Summary for Publications
- Deliverables
- Milestones
- Publications
- Dissemination
- Patents (IPR)
- SME Impact
- Gender
- Researchers (Declarations)



#### **Publishable Summary**



[ No text provided ]

Work performed from the beginning of the project to the end of the period covered by the report and main results achieved so far (For the final period please include an overview of the results and their exploitation and dissemination)

[ No text provided ]

Progress beyond the state of the art and expected potential impact (including the socio-economic impact and the wider societal implications of the project so far)

[ No text provided ]

Address (URL) of the project's public website

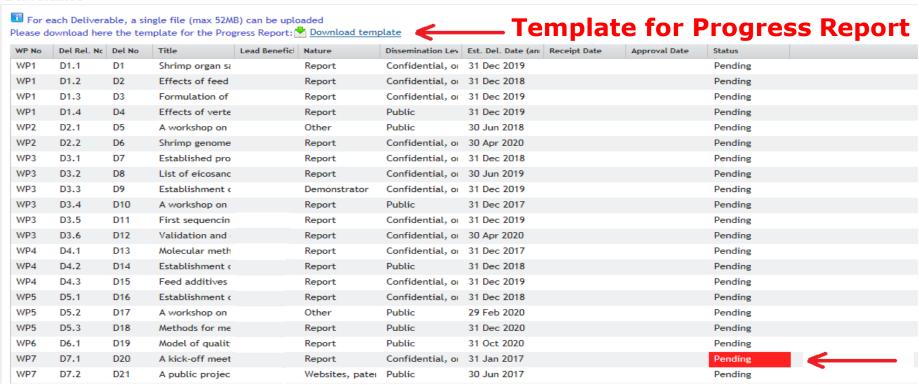
[ No text provided ]

Images attached to the Summary for publication

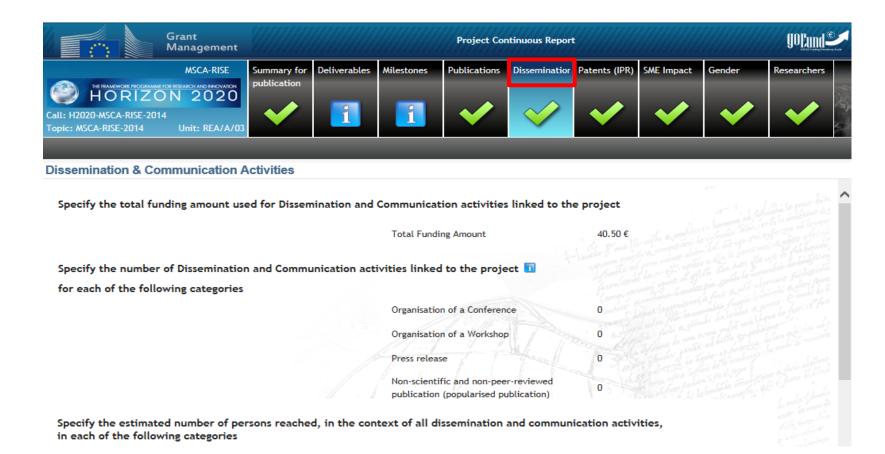
#### **Deliverables**



#### Deliverables

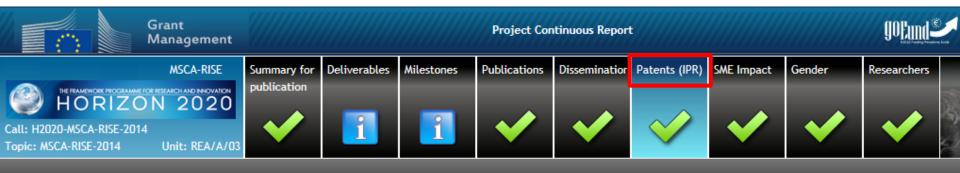


#### **Dissemination**



Communications must mention the EU funding (sentence in GA Art. 38.1.2)

#### **Patents**

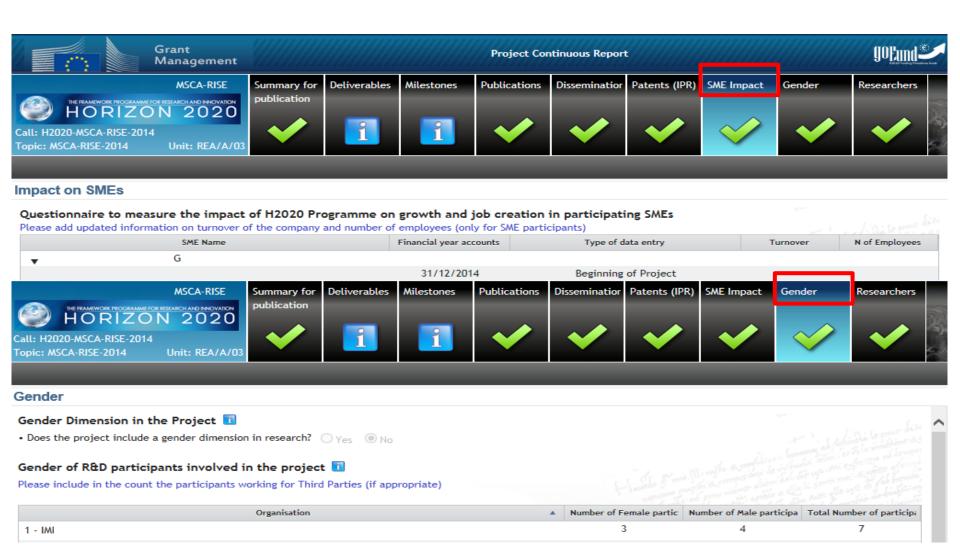


#### Patents (IPR)

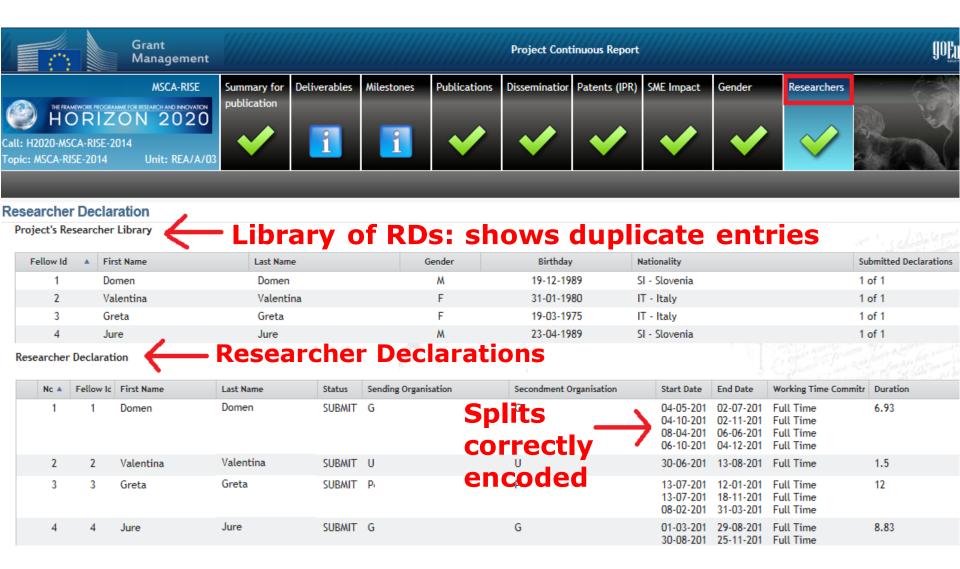
✓ This project does not have any Registered Intellectual Property Right yet

All patents must mention the EU funding (sentence in GA Art. 27.3)

#### **SME Impact & Gender**



#### **Researcher Declarations**



# **Progress and Periodic Reports**

- Deliverable = Annual Progress report M24/ M36
  - Simple template to download
  - progress with secondment implementation, linked to the work in the Grant Agreement, deviation explanation
- Periodic Report RP1/RP2 for payment M24 and 48
  - Process initiated in the portal
  - Technical report to be completed following template
  - Detailed guidance provided
  - System calculates payment based on secondments in period
  - Deviations explained and updated in secondment plan

## **Periodic Reporting**

#### Same tabs as Continuous Reporting Module +3 extra

Critical Risks

Technical Report Part B(Word Template)

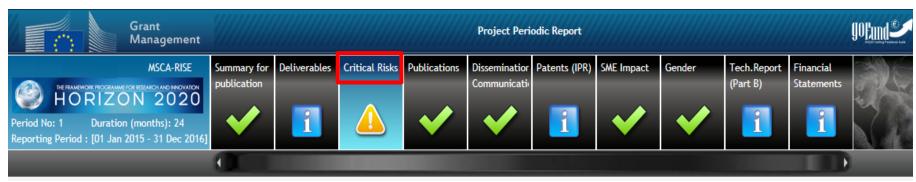
Financial Statements



#### **Periodic Report Access**



#### **Critical Risks**



#### Critical Risks A

#### Foreseen Risks (Annex-I) Annex | Risks

Number	Description	Work Package No.	Risk Mitigation Measures	State of the Play Reference Reporting Period	State of the Play Mitigation Measures Applied	State of the Play Risk Materialized	State of the Play Comments
1	Technology	3, 4	Assay reagents: Vaccine reagents will be sourced fro				
2	Market The commercial opportunities arising from th	2, 3, 4	Societal conservatism: Perhaps the single most serior				

Unforeseen Risks

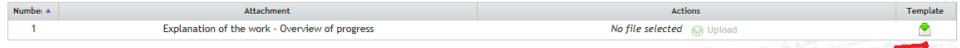


There are no unforeseen critical risks.

#### **Technical Report - Part B**



#### Technical Report (Part B)



#### **Part B Sections**

- 1. Explanation of the work carried out by the beneficiaries and Overview of the progress
- 2. Update of the plan for exploitation and dissemination of results (if applicable)
- 3. Update of the data management plan (if applicable)
- 4. Follow-up of recommendations and comments from previous review(s) (if applicable)
- 5. Deviations from Annex 1 and Annex 2 (if applicable)

Template for / Technical Report Part B

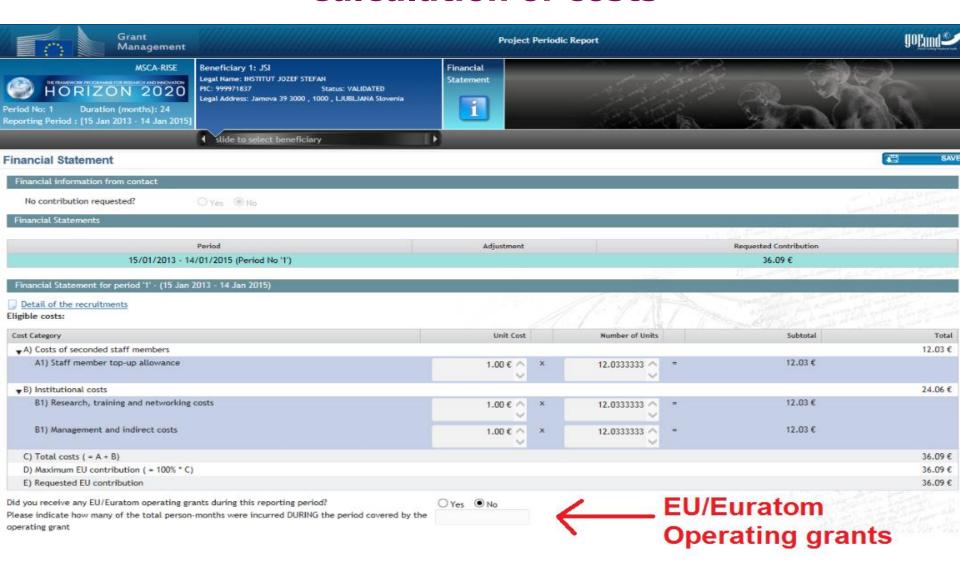
#### **Financial Statements**



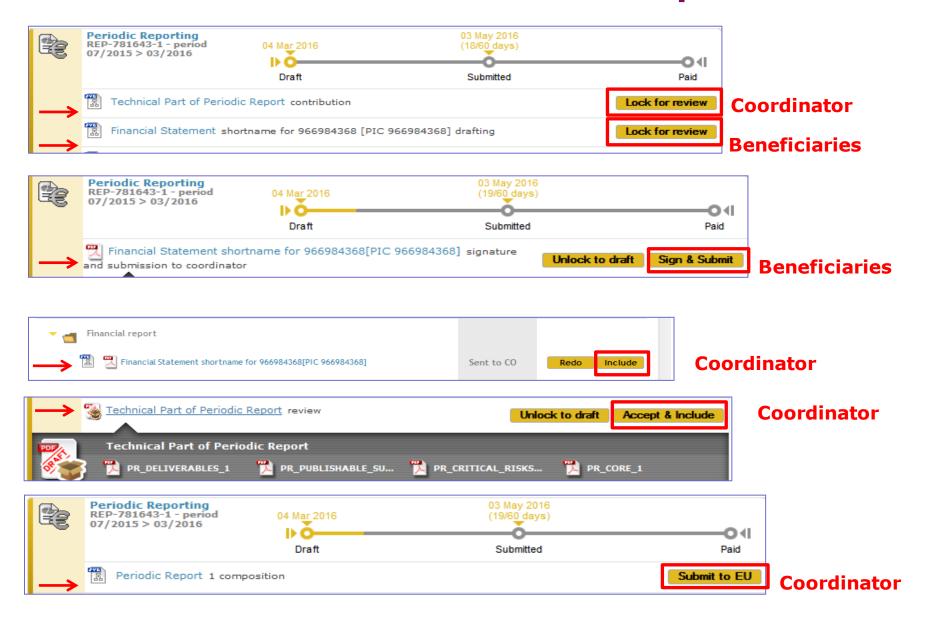
#### **Partners Financial Report**

Number	Role	Short Name	Legal Name	Country	PIC	Status
1	CO	IMP	IMP	UK		Draft
2	BEN	POL	POL	IT		Draft
3	BEN	UNI	UNI	IT		Draft
4	BEN	Uh	Ut	IT		Draft
5	BEN	N	٨	UK		Draft
6	BEN	Ger	Gei	SI		Draft

### **Calculation of costs**



### **Submission of Periodic Report**



### REPORTING DEADLINES

- Continuous Reporting: In the Partcipant Portal
- Progress report: Deliverable Month 12 & 36\*
  - By deadline set in GA Annex I
- Periodic report: Month 24 & End of Project
  - 60 days from end of period
- Final report: End of Project
  - 60 days from end of project

### **AMENDMENT**

Before submission, contact the PO via communication channels (email, PPGMS)



### **MID-TERM MEETING**

MID-TERM MEETING a contractual obligation... and a fruitful dialogue

REA STAFF EXPERTS



BENEFICIARIES
PARTNERS
SECONDEES



1 DAY or 2 HALF DAYS





EUROPE OR OUTSIDE, IF DULY JUSTIFIED

14th – 18th MONTH AFTER THE PROJECT START DATE

## **FINANCIAL ISSUES**



### **FINANCIAL ISSUES – Unit Costs**

### **Unit costs principle:**

what counts is the triggering event and not the actual costs spent

### **Calculation:**

 Actual duration of <u>eligible secondments</u> x unit cost (article 6)

### **Best practice:**

explain to your internal financial services (NO ACTUAL COSTS)

### **FINANCIAL ISSUES – Declarations**

- Each beneficiary: (not TC partners) in its individual financial statement
  - => Outgoing secondments of its own staff
  - <= Incoming secondments from a TC partner</p>
- Internal arrangements on the use and distribution of funding are possible ONLY for category B costs.
- If different distribution of cat. B => shouldn`t be reported in the financial statements

### **FINANCIAL ISSUES**

## "Category A: staff member costs"

- Principle: Costs for seconded staff members (cat. A) must be fully used to cover travel/subsistence costs (article 32.1.j)
- Practical modalities:
  - ✓ Distribute 2.100 EUR to staff in advance/in instalments
  - ✓ Reimburse travel and subsistence costs to staff
  - ✓ A mix of both







 Keep records proving that secondments took place for specific duration reported!

### **FINANCIAL ISSUES**

## "Category B: institutional costs"

- Principle: use and distribution among participants is acceptable as long as is convenient for project implementation according to the technical annex
- Example 1: part of institutional costs reserved to organise general networking events or cover extra management costs of the coordinator
- Example 2: re-distributed among secondments depending on financial needs
- Consortium Agreement covers internal financial arrangements

# FINANCIAL ISSUES – Payments Pre-financing

- Scope: to provide beneficiaries with cash to start working on the project and continue until the interim payment
- When: Within 30 days from entry into force or 10 days before start date
- **Limit:** 65% of total EU contribution (5% to Guarantee Fund)
- Constraint: coordinator can distribute only to beneficiaries having acceded to the GA and only when the minimum number of beneficiaries have acceded

## **FINANCIAL ISSUES – Payments**

## **Interim payment**

- When: within 90 days from submission of first periodic report documents
- How much: Only based on costs reported and up to maximum 90% of total EU contribution
- Constraints: Payment release can be suspended if reports/information are incomplete/incorrect
- Best practice: Keep in touch with your PO if issues appear

## FINANCIAL ISSUES - Payment

## Final payment

- When: within 90 days from submission last periodic report
- How much: Payment/recovery of the balance between total costs and pre-financing + interim payment
- Constraint: Payment release can be suspended if reports/information are incomplete/incorrect
- Best practice: Keep in touch with your PO if issues appear

## **Support and resources**

- Mobility in Research
- RISE objectives
- Your MAT/PHY RISE team
- Grant management
- Where to find answers!

### **INFORMATION & SUPPORT**

- Participant Portal "reference documents" and "on line manual":
- <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/funding/index.html">http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/funding/index.html</a>
- FAQ-RISE:
- <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/fag.html">http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/fag.html</a>
- National Contact Point:
- <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national\_contact\_points.html">http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national\_contact\_points.html</a>
- IT HELPDESK +32 2 29 9222 or via the contact form on the Participant Portal
- Your Project Officer

# Thank you!

## **Get in touch**



## Your MSCA National Contact Point REA-MSCA-H2020-RISE@ec.europa.eu



Credits: Icon made by Freepik from www.flaticon.com Images from Getty Images or iStock



## **Questions?**

### H2020 Help desk

http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pq=enquiries

### Frequently Asked Questions

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/faq.html

#### **National Contact Points**

http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national\_contact\_p oints.html

**Marie Curie Alumni Association** 

https://www.mariecuriealumni.eu/

https://www.net4mobilityplus.eu/



