



European Researchers' Night Info Day



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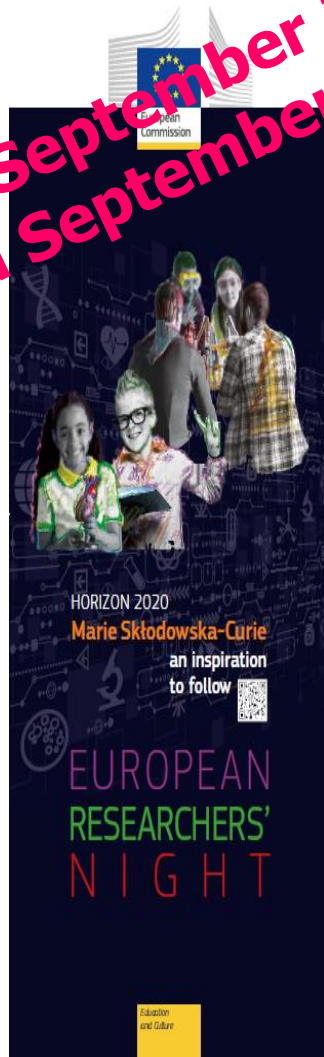


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European Researchers' Night

28th September 2018
27th September 2019



The European Researchers' Night (NIGHT) is a Europe-wide public set of events to stimulate interest in research careers, especially among young people

- Last Friday of September. Possibility to organise pre-event(s) in spring and summer
- Strong interaction between researchers and general public
- Simultaneous occurrence of the events throughout Europe and mobilisation of various communities to present research results

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NEW!

2018 
**EUROPEAN YEAR
OF CULTURAL
HERITAGE**
#EuropeForCulture

- ✓ Topic freely chosen by the applicants
- ✓ Up to 2 full days main event
- ✓ 2018 European Year of Cultural Heritage, applicants are encouraged to include activities relating to cultural heritage
- ✓ 50% budget increase: from EUR 8 to 12 million



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NEW!

- ✓ European Researchers' Night= EU flagship initiative
- ✓ Happening 1 day (or maximum 2 so far)
- ✓ Possibility to organise pre-event(s) in spring or summer prior to, and in line with, the main event in September (not mandatory)

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NEW!

- ✓ Rationale for pre-event(s)
 - ✓ To raise awareness even further about the researchers work and spread the European Researchers' Night initiative during the year through events happening at different timings at local/regional/national level
 - ✓ To attract people to the main event in September
 - ✓ Inform about EU funding opportunities

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Communication issues:

- Train the fellows to reach out the general public
Fellows find it particularly rewarding!
- Engage participants
- Read Article 38 of the Grant Agreement 😊

Brief your researchers!

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How to contact MSCA fellows?

- National Contact Points: they meet fellows in their meetings (good communicators); supervisors contacts.
- Request supervisors contact details to the EC (data protection)
- All MSCA coordinators will be informed about the NIGHT by the EC
- On-going contact with fellows by the EC to promote the action through the year
- What else?

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Useful

Enriching

To make visitors curious about research in general

An effective means of discovering and learning about science

An opportunity for researchers to present/disseminate their results to a wider audience

This interaction is a two way process

The public learns about researchers' research and its relevance

The scientists take away new impetus from the questions of the public

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Resolving scientist stereotypes

Giving an insight into the diversity of scientists

Increasing knowledge of the benefits of science to society

Increased understanding of the diversity of careers open in science

Stimuli to pursue scientific careers

Good time with friends / cool and interesting place



European Researchers' Night Video 2016

**What is European
Researchers' Night?**



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00:02:06



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More information:

- **Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions website:** <http://ec.europa.eu/msca>
- **Participant Portal (call information and reference documents):**
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal>
- **European Researchers' Night:**
https://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/about/european-researchers-night_en
- **National Contact Points**
http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/national_contact_points.html
- **Marie Curie Alumni Association**
<https://www.mariecuriealumni.eu/>
- **H2020 Help desk**
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/index.cfm?pg=enquiries>
- **Frequently Asked Questions**
<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/support/faq.html>

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your attention!**

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<https://www.facebook.com/Marie.Curie.Actions>

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Group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/367666553630524/>

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