

ACCELERATE YOUR RESEARCH CAREER WITH MSCA POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

Vilnius University (VU) invites motivated researchers with a strong track record to prepare joint applications for the **2025 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Postdoctoral Fellowships** (MSCA PF) call with a deadline on September 10, 2025.

MSCA PF are Europe's most prestigious fellowships designed to support research excellence, career development, and innovation **across all fields of research**.

Two types of fellowships

- European Postdoctoral Fellowships support researchers of any nationality undertaking 12–24 month R&I projects in Europe, either by relocating within Europe or coming from any country in the world.
- Global Postdoctoral Fellowships support European or long-term resident researchers in 12–24 month R&I projects in non-associated Third Countries, followed by a mandatory 12-month return phase at a European host institution.

Eligible applicants

- Supported fellows must have PhD degree at the call deadline.
- Researchers must have up to 8 years of full-time equivalent experience in research from the date of award of the doctoral degree.
- Mobility rule: fellows must not have resided or carried out their main activity in the host country (or outgoing phase country for Global Fellowships) for more than 12 months in the 36 months prior to the call deadline.

Host institution



Founded in 1579, VU is one of the oldest higher education institutions in Eastern and Central Europe. With its 15 academic units, the earliest academic Library in the Baltics, the Astronomical Observatory, the Botanical Garden and 2 University Hospitals, VU is the largest university in the country. It tops the ranking as the number one university in <u>Lithuania</u> and leads in education and a broad spectrum of fundamental and applied research. VU offers a dynamic research and training environment and is well-integrated into a collaborative network of international universities.

Budget

MSCA PF provides **an attractive allowance** to cover your living, family, research and training, travel costs and secures funds to cover indirect costs of the host organisation.

Funding is calculated based on **unit costs**. Considering differences in the cost of living in different countries, **a country correction coefficient** applies to the living allowance.

Boost your chances of success with ERA Fellowships!

ERA Fellowships offer an excellent second chance at securing funding. If you're applying for the European Postdoctoral Fellowship with a host institution in a widening country like Lithuania, and your proposal is not funded under the MSCA PF call due to budget limitations, it will automatically be considered for the ERA Fellowships call giving your project an additional opportunity to receive support.

How to apply?

1. Finding a supervisor

Search for a suitable supervisor or a potential host faculty by browsing:

- VU researchers' hosting offers on **EURAXESS**
- Websites of VU academic units
- · Research Teams search

2. Contacting a supervisor

Contact the supervisor directly (cc to research@cr.vu.lt) to express your interest in a joint MSCA PF application. Please include the following documents:

- · Curriculum Vitae
- List of publications
- Proposal summary

3. Endorsement of a candidate

Request an <u>endoresement letter</u> from the supervisor, send it to VU Research Projects Office (research@cr.vu.lt) and start preparing your MSCA PF project proposal.



More information

Information about MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships and application process on VU website

2025 MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships call for proposals

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions official website

Your MSCA PF journey starts at Vilnius University!