

MSCA MaRaThoN@University of Padova

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Promoting Institution: University of Padova (UNIPD), Italy
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- Guest speakers:**
- *Ciro Franco, Head of Fund Raising Office, University La Sapienza, Rome, Expert and Vice Chair for Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions*
 - *Antonio Opromolla, Researcher at Link Campus University, Rome*
 - *Egill Boccanera, Head of the Area of Internationalisation, Research, Third Mission and Fund Raising, LUMSA University, Rome*
 - *Marco Toffanin, Digital Learning and Multimedia Office, University of Padova*

Application deadline: **30 March 2020**

Contact: mariecurie.marathon@unipd.it

Website: <http://www.unipd.it/en/msca-marathon20>

Course Overview

MSCA MaRaThoN is a 3-day **training course** addressed to top candidates who are getting ready to apply for the upcoming call **Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions - Individual Fellowships (MSCA-IF) 2020** and intend to indicate the University of Padova as their Host Institution.

The European Commission promotes the MSCA-IF under the Horizon 2020 Framework Programme for Research and Innovation. Such action is a recognized career booster for experienced researchers, who develop innovative ideas through an intense collaboration with their Supervisor at the Host Institution, benefit from periods of mobility and enjoy very fair and favourable working conditions.

If you are a motivated researcher willing to compete for an MSCA-IF with the University of Padova as your working base, do not miss the chance to participate in the **MSCA MaRaThoN@Unipd**.

We offer you a detailed presentation of MSCA-IF and support you in writing and implementing a successful proposal. Invited experts and experienced MSC evaluators will provide specific advice and useful tips on how to best draft and communicate your project. Furthermore, you will have the possibility to meet your potential supervisors at the University of Padova, visit our departments and laboratories and get to know our current MSCA fellows.



MSCA MaRaThoN@University of Padova how to apply

Please note that the course is entirely held in English. The following application conditions apply.

Applicants

The course is open to maximum 40 participants. There are no age or nationality restrictions.

In order to be admitted to the MSCA MaRaThoN, candidates must meet the following requirements:

- possess a PhD or have at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience (at the MSCA-IF closing date: 9 September 2020);
- comply with the MSCA mobility rule;
- commit to compete in the forthcoming MSCA-IF 2020 Call for applications and choose the University of Padova as Host Institution for their project.

Application process

Candidates interested in participating in the MSCA MaRaThoN must submit the following documents by email to:

mariecurie.marathon@unipd.it

- Application form
- CV guidelines
- 1 page proposal
- Letter of acceptance duly signed by a Supervisor at the University of Padova
- Researcher's Declaration of Commitment
- a copy of valid ID or passport.

Templates are available for download on the MaRaThoN web page: <http://www.unipd.it/en/msca-marathon20>

Applicants will be notified by e-mail about the receipt of their application and the selection results.

Submission deadline: 30 March 2020 at 1:00 p.m. (Italian time zone)

Participation costs

Admitted participants will have their **travel and accommodation costs** covered by the University of Padova, that will buy accommodation and economy class travel tickets.

No direct reimbursements to participants are foreseen.

Accommodation costs concern three nights in Padova (12, 13, 14 May 2020).

Selection procedure and results

Selection of participants will be based on their CV and research track record. The consistency between the candidate's research interests and the University of Padova research teams, as well as the project feasibility will also be considered. Please note that the letter of acceptance signed by the Supervisor at the University of Padova is compulsory. No applicants will be admitted to the MSCA MaRaThoN without a local Supervisor.

Selection results will be notified to all applicants by e-mail no later than 8 April 2020.

Location

The meeting and working room will be at the University of Padova premises in the city centre, at walking distance from the bus and train stations. Visits to UNIPD Departments will be planned and agreed with Supervisors.

All participants are required to stay for the entire duration of the event and must participate in the full training course.

If you are not funded but receive the MSCA Seal of Excellence...

In case you choose the University of Padova as your Host Institution within the MSCA-IF 2020 Call and your project is not selected for funding, but the European Commission awards you the "Seal of Excellence – MSC Actions", our University offers you an alternative funding under the **MSCA Seal of Excellence@University of Padova** programme. Once the Seal of Excellence is issued, you may apply for a grant of 50,000 Euros per project year (covering an employment contract and a 10,000 Euros budget for research, networking and training activities). The University of Padova is the first University supporting SoE projects; learn more about our Programme: <http://www.unipd.it/en/msca-seal-excellence>.