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**DIGI+ MSCA Fellowship Programme**

**Call for Fellows**

**2nd Call – Deadline: 27th September 2024 @ 5pm Irish Time**

**Application Part A – Administrative Information**

Please note that successful candidates will be required to provide documentary evidence to back up the information provided in this form.

1. **Applicant Details**

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| Applicant Name: |  |
| Address: |  |
| Phone Number: |  |
| E-mail: |  |
| Nationality: |  |
| Date of Birth: |  |
| Gender: |  |
| Marital Status: |  |

1. **Proposal Details**

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| Proposal Title: |  |
| Prospective Supervisor: |  |
| DIGI+ Research Topic and Application Area: |  |
| Key Words (Max. 5): |  |
| Proposal Summary (Up to 2000 characters): |  |
| Academic Host: |  |

1. **Research Experience**

At the call deadline, applicants must have a PhD degree.

Have you been awarded a PhD degree?

YES [ ]  / NO [ ]

DIGI+ is offering fellowships at two different levels depending on your current research experience:

* Level 1 (Junior): At the time of the call deadline, applicants must be a maximum of 4 years from date of award of the (first) doctoral degree. In line with the MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship (PF) call, this limit can be extended for the following reasons: Maternity leave (18 months, 548 days per child born after PhD award date, or the exact maternity leave duration, whichever is longest); Paternity leave (exact duration per child born after the PhD award date); Research in a non-associated TC (only for nationals or long-term residents of MS or AC, wishing to reintegrate in Europe); Time spent not working in research; Long-term sick leave (periods > 30 days)
* Level 2 (Experienced): At the time of the call deadline, applicants must be in possession of a doctoral degree and four or more years’ postdoctoral research experience.

Please provide any additional information relevant to your academic background which should include the name, location and dates for each relevant course listed. For major awards provide also equivalency of the degree to the Irish National Framework of Qualifications.

Examination results, qualification names and other information provided in this section must correspond exactly with that on relevant official transcripts. Successful applicants will be required to provide official transcripts/parchments before awards are confirmed. If there are discrepancies between results provided in the application form and those on official transcripts, offers of awards will be withdrawn. If the language of a transcript/parchment is not English, the name of the degree and overall result if expressed verbally (such as “mention très honorable avec félicitations du jury” or “отлично/otlichno”) must be provided in the language of the transcript/parchment as well as in English. It is not sufficient to provide only English translation/equivalent of the name of the degree or result.

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| University degree by which you became eligible to pursue a PhD degree |
| Degree: | Awarding institute and country: |  |
| Date of award: |  |

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| Details of full-time research experience |  |
| Degree (s) obtained after the university degree by which you became eligible to pursue a PhD degree | Degree and details of the research activities carried out: | Awarding institute and country: | From: dd/mm/yyyy | To:dd/mm/yyyy | Date of award:dd/mm/yyyy | Duration of research activities expressed in months: |
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| Doctorate  | PhD details:(e.g. thesis) | Awarding institute and country: | From: dd/mm/yyyy | To:dd/mm/yyyy | Date of expected award:dd/mm/yyyy | Duration of research activities expressed in months: |
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| Other research experience  | Position and details of the research activities carried out:  | Institute/Organisation and country | From: dd/mm/yyyy | To:dd/mm/yyyy |  | Duration of research activities expressed in months: |
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1. **Mobility Requirements**

Applicants may not have resided or carried out their main activity (e.g. work, study) in Ireland for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the call deadline[[1]](#footnote-2) **(September 2024).** The following periods are not taken into account: a) compulsory national service; b) time spent as part of a procedure for obtaining refugee status under the Geneva Convention; c) short stays (such as holidays), i.e., the researcher did not reside or did not have their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in the country during that period.

 A relaxed mobility rule applies for “career-re-start” and “reintegration” applications. In such cases, applicants may not have resided or carried out their main activity in Ireland for more than 3 years in the 5 years immediately prior to the call deadline.

Please provide details regarding the location of your work/study for the period from **08/2021 to 08/2024** (include details such as the institution/organisation where you worked/studied, location and dates; if you resided in different locations during this period please provide details for each location):

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**For Career Restart and Reintegration Applications:**

If you wish to be considered under the “career-restart” or “reintegration” application category and avail of the relaxed mobility rule, please provide the following details:

Did you have a career break in research (e.g. paternal leave, working outside research) for at least 12 months in the last 5 years? (Please use the call deadline as reference date)

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| YES [ ]  / NO [ ]  |
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Please provide details of any period of inactivity in research: (include dates and nature of activities undertaken in each period):

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Are you a national or long-term resident of an EU member state or associated country who wishes to return and reintegrate in a longer term research position in Europe?

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| YES [ ]  / NO [ ]  |

If you wish to apply under the reintegration category, please provide details of the research activities undertaken in EU member states, in associated countries and in countries outside Europe: (include research institution, dates, position, and country for each period entered):

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1. **References**

Please provide details for two referees. Please note referees will only be contacted if you are successful in obtaining a fellowship offer and once you have provided consent for same.

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| Name | Organisation | Email  | Phone number (include country code) | Please explain their relationship to you (e.g. supervisor, manager) |
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1. **Terms and Conditions**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (*applicant name*), have considered and reported all ethical issues and agree with the DIGI+ terms and conditions.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (*applicant signature*)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Compulsory national service, short stays such as holidays and time spent as part of a procedure for obtaining refugee status (under the 1951 Geneva Convention and the 1967 Protocol) are not taken into account. Short stays are characterised by the type of activity rather than by a specific number of days. A period can only be considered as a short stay if the researcher did not reside or did not have their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in Ireland during that period (such as holidays). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)