Frequently Asked Questions

Call 2

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1   General Queries

What is the dealine for applications?

The Call 2 deadline is the 25th July 2025, 23:59 (GMT).

How many fellowships are available?

Up to 9 fellowships will be awarded in the second call for proposals.

What is the duration of the fellowship?

The fellowship will have a two-year duration, including the research project and the secondment period.

Where are the fellowships based?

All fellowships will be based in Ireland at University of Galway and ROSETTA's host institutions. The fellows will be based in Ireland and will be hosted by the host institution of their supervisor. All fellows will be required to relocate to Ireland for the duration of their fellowship. There is an exception regarding the secondment element, as the secondment may take place abroad.

Can I apply for a PhD position under the ROSETTA fellowship programme?

No, ROSETTA is a fellowship for postdoctoral researchers.

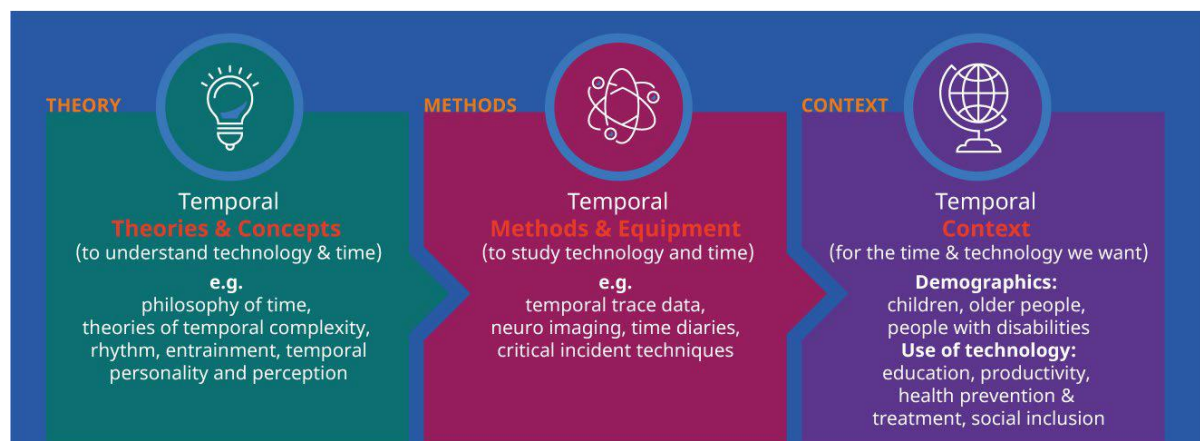**Where can I get support during the application process?**

Don't hesitate to get in touch with ROSETTA at rosetta@lero.ie.

I am submitting (or already have submitted) an application for another Marie Sklodowska-Curie fellowship. Can I still apply for a ROSETTA fellowship?

Yes. However, if you are successful in both applications, you can only accept one of the awards, as a researcher cannot simultaneously benefit from two Marie Sklowdowska-Curie grants. Please inform ROSETTA if you want to withdraw your application or no longer want to participate in the programme.

What are the programme's research themes?

There are **3 broad research themes**: Temporal (**Theories & Concepts**), Temporal (**Methods & Equipment**), and Temporal (**Context**), as shown in the figure below.

As an applicant, you have the freedom to choose your own research project. However, it is important to ensure that your research topic aligns with the programme's research themes and the interests of an eligible supervisor. Before applying, you must discuss your research idea and proposal and seek the support of an eligible supervisor for your application.

If you are considering applying for a ROSETTA fellowship but are uncertain if your proposal topic fits within the programme's research scope, please contact us. We would be delighted to discuss this further with you.

What are the salary and other financial supports? Who is eligible for the family allowance?

The total gross salary awarded to fellows will be €50,124 per annum (without family allowance) and €57,252 per annum (with family allowance). ROSETTA will apply family definition as indicated in the **MSCA WP 2021-2022**: persons linked to the fellow by (i) marriage, or (ii) a relationship with equivalent status to a marriage recognised by the legislation of the country or region where this relationshipwas formalised, or (iii) dependent children who are actually being maintained by he fellow. Supporting documentation to confirm eligibility for the family allowance may be requested.

The salaries received with be liable for taxes and/or other deductions. Information on Irish taxation can be found on the **Office of Revenue Commissioners website**. Compliance with Irish law and national regulations on taxation will be a matter for resolution between the fellow, the host institution and the Irish Revenue Commissioners.

In addition, ROSETTA will provide contributions towards the cost of conducting the fellowship, such as consumables, travel and training and career development activities.

2   Eligibility Queries

I'm not an EU citizen. Can I still apply?

Yes. As a Marie Sklodowska-Curie fellowship programme, applicants may be of any nationality as long as they meet the programme's eligibility criteria.

Is there an age limit for candidates applying for a ROSETTA Fellowship?

No.

I do not have my PhD degree yet. Am I eligible?

Applicants who have successfully defended their PhD thesis but have not formally been awarded the doctoral degree will be eligible to apply. The successful defence must take place before the call deadline, i.e. 25th July 2025. Supporting documentation may be requested.

How will ROSETTA confirm my eligibility?

You must submit Part A – Administrative Information and Part C – CV as part of your application. Please ensure that the research experience, qualifications and the details regarding the location of your work/study from **25/07/2022 to 25/07/2025** provided are correct.

During Stage 1 – Eligibility Check, all applications will be checked for completeness and eligibility using the details provided in the application documents received.

Before the start of the fellowship, applicants may be required to provide evidence of the qualifications listed on their application (e.g. original certificates), proof of identity and any other relevant documentation (e.g. evidence of compliance with eligibility and mobility requirements, English proficiency, etc.).

Where information cannot be verified if requested or where information provided by the applicant is found to be incorrect, ROSETTA reserves the right to eliminate the candidate from the evaluation and selection process or withdraw the award.

3   Application Queries

How can I submit my application?

Applications must be submitted via the online application system, which can be accessed from the [ROSETTA website](#).

ROSETTA will support applications from those displaced by conflict or whose situation makes it difficult to pursue research careers. Applicants who are at risk/displaced by conflict and might require alternative submission arrangements are encouraged to discuss the support available to them with ROSETTA. In certain circumstances, applications submitted in hard copy may be accepted. However, alternative arrangements must be agreed upon with ROSETTA before the call deadline.

Please see the online application system guide available **[here](#)**. If you have any difficulties registering/logging in or submitting an application please contact rosetta@lero.ie.

At the application stage, do I need to submit supportive documentation as evidence of fulfilling the eligibility criteria or requirements of the call (e.g. PhD certificate, academic transcripts, etc.)?

No, this documentation is not needed at the application submission stage. You may be asked to show such evidence at a future date.

Do I need to submit a letter from an eligible supervisor to confirm their support for my application?

A letter of support will not be required. ROSETTA will check with the supervisor directly if they have supported your application

In what language should the application and documentation be submitted?

Only applications and documentation written in English will be accepted.

Can I update my application or submit additional material/information after the call deadline?

No, it is not possible to submit additional material or information afer the call deadline unless specifically requested by ROSETTA.

At the application stage, do I need to have the secondment finalised? Do I need to get a letter of support from the secondment organisation?

No. The secondment plans must be included the research proposal, but it is not mandatory to specify the presice secondment host at the time of application, If fully agreed, you should provide the specific details for the secondment (host organisation, timing, duration and technical objective). If not agreed, you should provide general details (type of organisation, timing, duration and technical objective).

Where it is not possible for applicants and prospective supervisors to finalise the exact secondment host at the application stage, applicants should outline the type of organisation that they wish to be seconded to, specifying the sector. On commencing their fellowship, successful applications will be assisted in finalising a specific secondment host by their academic supervisor and ROSETTA Project Manager.

A letter of support from the secondment organisation will not be required at the application stage.

If my application is unsuccessful, can I reapply?

If your application is unsuccessful, you may be able to reapply in the future. However, please note that we currently do not have a confirmed timeline for a third application round. We recommend keeping an eye on our announcements for any updates regarding future opportunities.

Should you require clarification or have any queries, please contact ROSETTA at rosetta@lero.ie.