



**Call for Expression of Interest  
Marie Sklodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship  
(H2020-MSCA- IF-2017)**

The University of Malta, UM (Malta) is keen to host Marie Sklodowska-Curie Action fellows to work in its research teams and welcomes expressions of interest from excellent post-doctoral researchers to apply for the Individual Fellowship Scheme on 14<sup>th</sup> of September 2017.

**University of Malta**

The University of Malta traces its origins to the founding of the Collegium Melitense by the Jesuits in 1592. The College was raised to University status by Grand Master Manoel Pinto de Fonseca in 1769. Situated at Msida, it is the highest teaching institution of the State by which it is mainly financed and is open to all those who have the requisite qualifications. Over the past few years, the University has reviewed its structures in order to be in line with the Bologna process. Conscious of its public role, the University strives to create courses which are relevant and timely in response to the national, regional and international needs. The supreme governing bodies of the University are the Council and the Senate. There are over 11,000 students including 1000 foreign/exchange students from nearly 92 different countries, following full-time or part-time degree and diploma courses. The University has been involved as coordinator and partner in numerous EU-funded projects under various Programmes including FP5/6/7, Horizon 2020, Lifelong Learning Programme, Culture 2000, Tempus, Erasmus+, INTERREG EU-MED-ITALIA MALTA-ENPI CBC MED and various other international and national programmes and initiatives. The University is also represented in a number of European and international University networks and groups.

**Physical Oceanography Research Group**

<https://www.um.edu.mt/science/geosciences/physicaloceanography>

The Physical Oceanography Research Group is established under the Faculty of Science and forms part of the Department of Geosciences of the University of Malta. It undertakes oceanographic research, in a holistic perspective, including operational observations and forecasts, specialised data management analysis and participation in international cooperative ventures. The overarching research themes of this research group cover coastal meteorology, hydrography and physical oceanography with a main emphasis on the experimental study of hydrodynamics of the sea in the vicinity of the Maltese Islands.

The candidates should fulfil the eligibility criteria of the call and their research interests should be relevant with the following areas of expertise:

- Coastal and benthic ecology
- Marine alien species
- Dynamics of jellyfish outbreaks
- Remote sensing monitoring of water quality
- Management of marine living resources
- Biological oceanography
- Marine Spatial Planning

Selected candidates will receive dedicated support from the supervisor, **Professor Alan Deidun** and the Research Support Services Directorate to write a successful proposal and submission.

Interested candidates should send a cover letter and CV to [rssd@um.edu.mt](mailto:rssd@um.edu.mt).