

THE MARIE SKŁODOWSKA-CURIE ACTIONS EUROPEAN FELLOWSHIPS

in brief

Copenhagen Business School is actively recruiting excellent researchers who are willing to apply for the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) European Fellowship, funded by the European Commission. The MSCA European Fellowship supports researchers' careers and foster excellence in research, promotes the mobility of researchers and provides opportunities to work on ambitious research in Europe.



FELLOWSHIP FACTS

- For researchers who wish to acquire new skills through advanced training, international, interdisciplinary and inter-sectoral mobility.
- Full funding for fellowships of 12-24 months (including living, mobility and family allowances, and research costs).
- Applicants must hold a PhD at the time of application deadline and have a maximum of 8 years research experience after their PhD was awarded (career breaks and periods of leave will extend this maximum).
- Applicants can be from any country but must not have resided or carried out their main activity in Denmark for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the deadline on September 11th, 2024.



HOW TO APPLY *for MSCA-PF?*

- First of all, you need to be selected by a supervisor at CBS i.e., a professor who works in your area of research and who will supervise your fellowship research project.
- To be selected, you will reply to the Call for Expression of Interest (below) that will be assessed by the supervisor.
- If the supervisor considers your CV and project proposal to be a strong match, you will then officially become a CBS applicant for the MSCA, and the application process will start.
- You will work on your MSCA application with your supervisor and the CBS Research Support Office (RSO).
- RSO has extensive experience in MSCA applications and will help you to write the best possible application in order to pass the European Commission's assessment.
- Once you have received the grant, you will be supported by the CBS administration that will assist you during the implementation of your research project.

The call for expression of interest

The Department of Department of Management, Society and Communication (MSC) at Copenhagen Business School (CBS) welcomes expressions of interest from postdoctoral researchers with an excellent track record of research and publication to apply jointly with a supervisor from the department at CBS to the Marie Sklodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme.

Research themes

Expressions of Interest that address one or more of the following research themes are welcome.

Subject: Enhancing the Shared Agency of Actors toward Decarbonizing Urban Life

We need a zero-carbon economy, and everyone in society should work together to access, support, and utilize low-carbon energy services in urban areas. Progress towards decarbonization in cities has been slow, as research has primarily focused on energy supply and technical solutions, neglecting the role of final consumers and shared responsibility among actors. Policymakers and stakeholders lack knowledge in supporting urban practices for decarbonization efforts. Adapting to new routines is difficult and requires trust between individuals and middle actors such as technicians, designers, and engineers. Efforts to build a networked capacity among actors advancing low-carbon initiatives lack understanding regarding the potential to promote shared responsibility to effect systemic low-carbon urban transformations.

Expressions of interest for research in this area could be formulated around the following questions and themes:

- How can shared actor agency emerge and be expanded across citizens and middle actors in diverse urban decarbonization interventions?
- How can urban decarbonization initiatives encourage reflection and learning among participating actors, and how can trust be enhanced among different stakeholders?
- What are the main issues, institutions, and interactions between actors such as households and middle actors involved in shared decarbonization efforts?
- knowledge and understanding of theories and concepts that are relevant to the analysis of shared agency in decarbonization interventions by sectors and from a local to a large urban scale context

Supervisor: Maria J. Figueroa

Profile: Candidates with an interdisciplinary background in social aspects of climate mitigation, energy policy, environmental policy, urban science, socio-technical and energy transition studies as well as related disciplines are most welcome to apply.

How to express your interest

Expressions of interest (EoI) should include:

- 1. A one-page pitch on your research project idea
- 2. Your CV including a full list of your publications, research grants and projects
- 3. A one-page motivation letter

Please submit your EoI by sending it to msca2024@cbs.dk as **one single PDF file** attachment named **MSCA – MSC - your initials** – by February 16th 2024.

In mid-March 2024, selected candidates will be contacted by the CBS RSO team to discuss the next steps. In addition to the Kick-off meeting on April 18th, 2024, the candidates will also be offered two Masterclasses on May 14th, 2024. These meetings will be online.

To allow sufficient time for institutional approvals, a first draft of the full proposal is expected to be ready for review by your supervisor and RSO by June 14^{th} , 2024.



WHY CBS

Copenhagen Business School (CBS) is a globally recognised business school deeply rooted in the Nordic socio-economic model, with more than 20,000 students and 1,700 full time employees – faculty, PhD-students and administrative staff. We have a comprehensive focus on the opportunities and challenges of the business community and society in the 21st century. Our high-quality research and broad programme portfolio have strengthened generations of professionals and leaders in the private and public sectors.

The CBS community of students, alumni, faculty, and staff is located in Frederiksberg close to the city centre of Copenhagen.

Copenhagen is a beautiful and vibrant city with a rich cultural heritage. It's known for its stunning architecture, picturesque canals, and a strong commitment to sustainability. The city's focus on work-life balance promotes a healthy and productive lifestyle for students and researchers. Copenhagen's position as a hub for global conferences and seminars ensures that scholars have ample opportunities to engage with experts from around the world. Copenhagen's combination of academic excellence, multilingualism, cultural diversity, and a high quality of life makes it an outstanding choice for those looking to pursue research.

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To learn more about European Fellowships go to EU's official MSCA homepage: $\underline{https://marie-sklodowska-curie-actions.ec.europa.eu/calls/msca-postdoctoral-fellowships-2024}$

If you have questions, please contact CBS Research Support Reach us by email: msca2024@cbs.dk









