

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 Digitalization (DIGI) 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: The Digital Supply Chain

Supply chains are essentially structures and flows that may be differentiated into physical flows (material to end product), informational flows (digital or analogue) but also financial flows or on a social or institutional level. The focus here is particularly on the first two mentioned and particularly addresses the tension field between "Physical" and "Digital" Supply Chain. At least three perspectives may be discussed individually or in combination in this context.

A first view deals with the question how digital technologies support the configuration, execution, and documentation of the operations in a supply chain? It is based primarily on a view of the physical, operational aspect of a supply chain as the central research object and deals with the performance and the corresponding decision-making processes that are influenced by new technologies. Next to an economic component, performance also includes aspects of ecological or social sustainability or resilience. Typical digital technologies include blockchains, digital twins, big data, RPA, machine learning, platforms and potentially many others.

Another view is on how supply chains change or have to change in order to keep up with the possibilities offered by new technologies or just because existing, dominant restrictions in planning and execution are simply eliminated by new technologies. What new business models emerge, for example, based on new technologies and how does this change supply chain practices and structures. What new possibilities, e.g. in planning or scheduling, arise through technologies such as AI and what supply chain restrictions are eliminated as a result. What new forms of supply chains - see e.g. home delivery services like Wolt or Gorilla - does this imply?

On a higher level, this ultimately raises questions about the identity of supply chain management and its underlying paradigm. How does the increasing integration of (digital) services change the structures, for example in terms of the tightness of supply chain relationships or its governance. Does the holistic perspective change from a focal actor to a more polycentric ecosystem perspective? What implications does this have for the actors positioning in the supply chains but also within individual actors, e.g. with regard to specific functions or the relevant skills and capabilities.

Supervisor: Prof. Günter Prockl

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 – DIGI - 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









