



Marie Curie Alumni Association MCAA Turkish Chapter

27.12.2023

MCAA Ankara

MCAA Background



*Marie Skłodowska-Curie
(1867-1934)*

- Founded in 2012, the MCAA grew to a dynamic network boasting **more than 21 000 members**.
- Membership is free and open to any past or present beneficiary of funding under any of the past or present schemes of the European Commission's MSCA programme (fellows, supervisors, project managers...).
- Funding and support for the MCAA is provided mainly by the European Commission Directorate General for Education and Culture, while increasingly diversifying funding sources.

MCAA provides lifetime opportunities!

Continuous support of beneficiaries outside and after their grants, regardless of career path, career stage, geographical location, area of activity (...)

MCAA Mission & Vision



Mission:

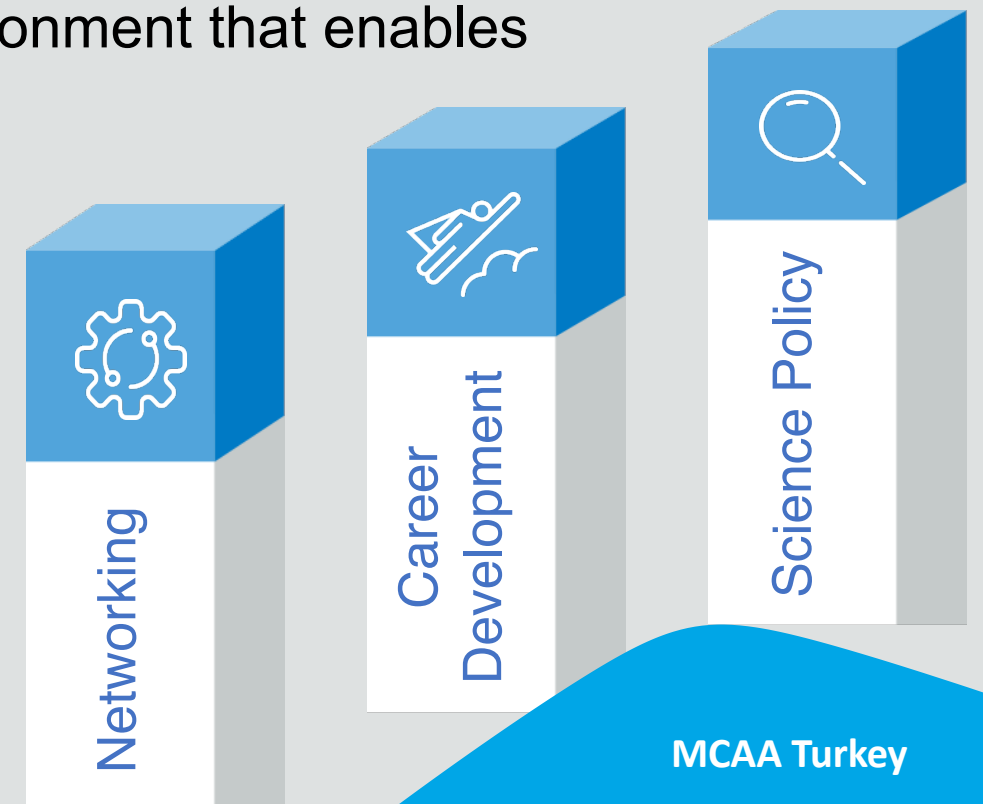
Our mission is to bring together the MSCA community, support the career development of present and past MSCA beneficiaries at all career stages, and be a voice for researchers across regions and disciplines

Vision:

Our vision is an inclusive and sustainable research environment that enables knowledge to benefit society

Goals:

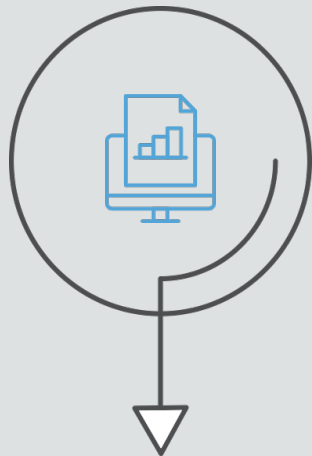
1. Connecting the MSCA community
2. Career development for MCAA members
3. Advocacy for researchers



MCAA Services



Member Directory



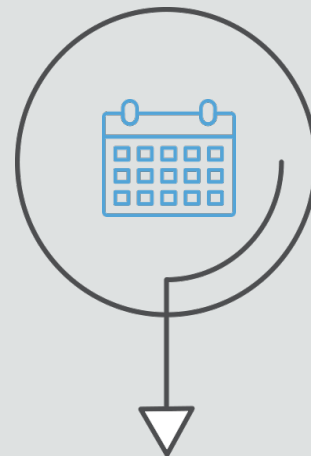
Contacts
Networking
Social

Surveys



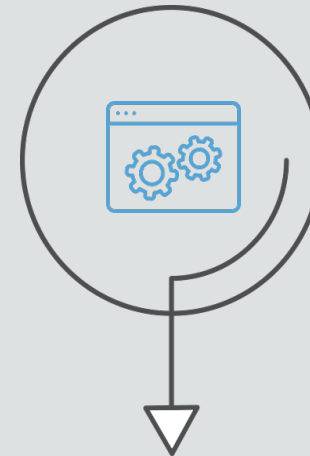
Report
Analysis
Recommendations

Events



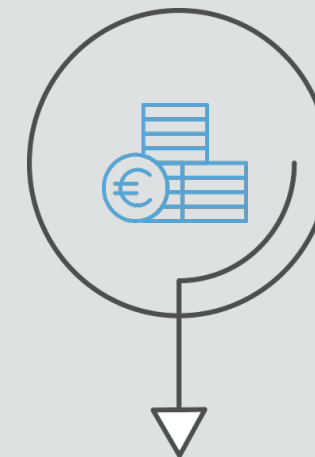
Chapters
& Working
Groups

Support & training



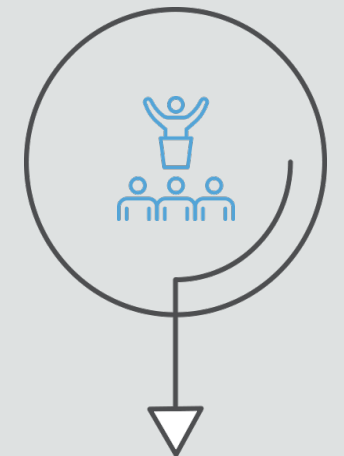
Referent
MCAA Academy
Coursera
Whistleblowing

Micro-grants



'Travel'
'Media'
'MGAG'

Awards



Recognition
of efforts
& achievements

MCAA Structure



MCAA General Assembly (all members)

MCAA Board

**11 voting board members
members**

Executive Committee (5)

Ordinary Members (6)

ex-officio

European Commission

Chapter Chairs

Working Group Chairs

MCAA Chapters (35)

Africa

Asia (4)

South East Asia

Europe (24)

America & Caribe (6)

expression of intentions:

Japan, Australia & NZ, ...

MCAA Working Groups

Policy

Research Funding

Research Management

Gender Equality (GEDI)

Bridging Science and Business

Science Communication

Career Development

Survey

MCAA Working Groups



**CAREER
DEVELOPMENT
WORKING GROUP**



**POLICY
WORKING GROUP**



**BRIDGING SCIENCE
AND BUSINESS
WORKING GROUP**



**GENDERS, EQUITY,
DIVERSITY & INCLUSION (GED)
WORKING GROUP**



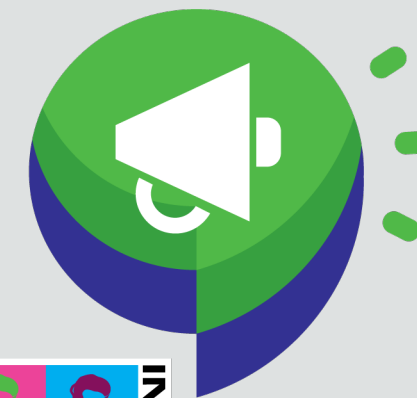
**SURVEYS
WORKING GROUP**



**RESEARCH
MANAGEMENT
WORKING GROUP**



**RESEARCH
FUNDING**



**COMMUNICATION
WORKING GROUP**

Bridging Science and Business Working Group



The “Bridging Science and Business” working group (BSB WG) is a section of MCAA that unites people who understand the need to bridge science and academia.

- To bring together research and business in Europe and beyond.
- To share knowledge on the topics from both worlds of business and science. Such knowledge should be publicly accessible and free, when possible
- To create a community for entrepreneurs in the MCAA community as an initiator for a global initiative at the whole European level.
- To participate in both MCAA-led and external initiatives aimed to bridge business and research.
- To establish a platform to help members of MCAA in starting their startups.
- To engage in the discussion with other groups of MCAA on policy making.



**BRIDGING SCIENCE AND
BUSINESS**

163 MEMBERS

CHAIR: MURAT GUNES

Join the conversation
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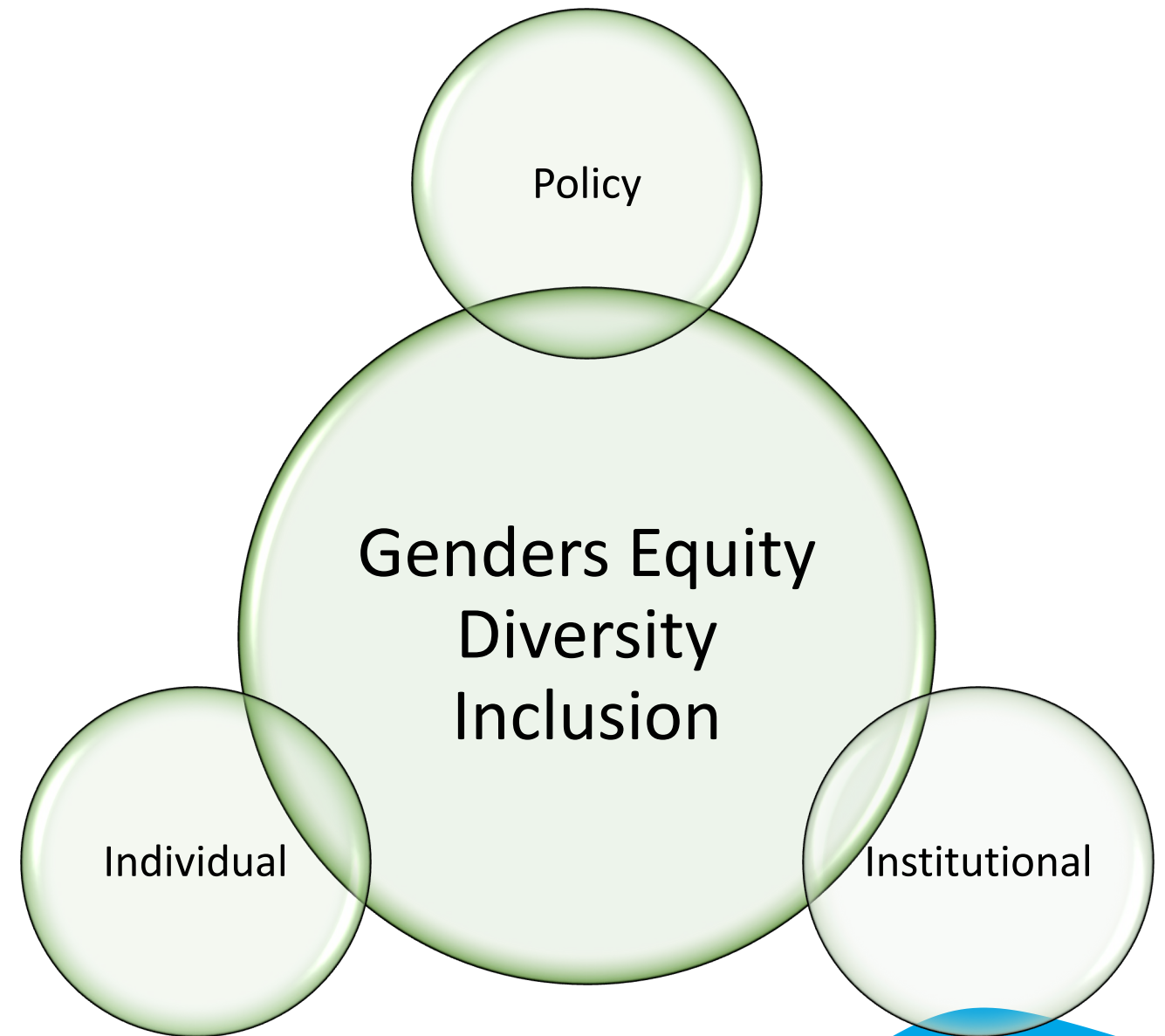


Core Focus

→ Promote diversity in research and empower research irrespective of any individual characteristics.

→ Intersectionality: disability, racial and ethnic diversity, gender and sexual identities, economic level).

→ Contextual and local challenges: we are mindful of geographic, sectorial, and institutional discrepancies as well as personal differences.





Research Management working group

A community of practice to...

Share experiences and good practices

recruitment, budget, secondments, training, reporting, etc.

Promote joint activities across networks and disciplines

dissemination & outreach activities, training courses, final events, etc.

Strengthen European Project Managers' roles

sustainable knowledge and support platform



**RESEARCH
MANAGEMENT
WORKING GROUP**

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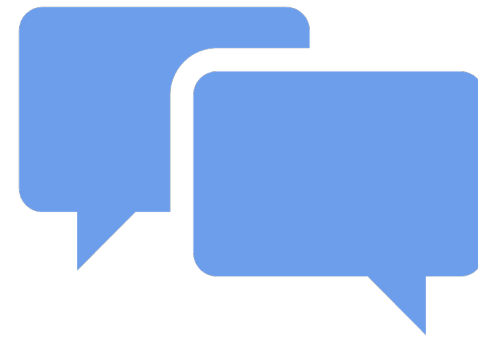


The Research Funding Working Group

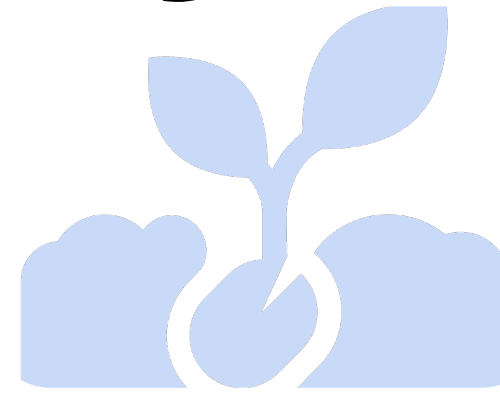


Support MCAA

- Create and maintain basic administrative and practical information on the MCAA to facilitate the involvement of MCAA in funding proposals.
- Develop a database collecting data concerning available sources of research funding.
- Encourage MCAA members and external partners to contribute to the funding database.
- Assist chapters to exploit the database for compiling and promoting region-specific opportunities.
- Develop and maintain contacts with current and potential partners for funding opportunities



Link Members



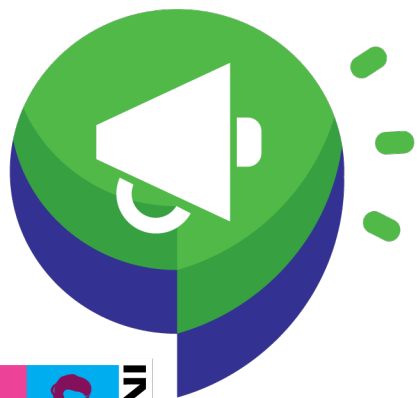
Run Task Forces



Our goals



- ✓ Make the +20k members aware of all the MCAA activities
- ✓ Involve Non-MCAA members in our activities
- ✓ Increase collaborations between MCAA Chapters and WG
- ✓ Create high quality content for all our publications
- ✓ Have fun while doing it!



COMMUNICATION
WORKING GROUP

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MCAA ANNUAL CONFERENCE & GENERAL ASSEMBLY

CÓRDOBA
FEBRUARY
24-25, 2023
HYBRID EVENT



#MCAACONF2023

MCAA Annual Conference



Day 1 - Friday 24-02-2023

8:00 - 9:00

REGISTRATION

9:00 - 10:15

WELCOMING SESSION

10:15 - 11:00

PLENARY SESSION 1
Science Diplomacy

11:00 - 12:00

COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING

12:00 - 13:00

PARALLEL SESSIONS

Science diplomacy: develop solutions to achieve the UN SDGs

Science Communication: Best practices and future paths - Part 1: Insights from institutions

The New EU Innovation Agenda and Women-led Entrepreneurship

Sustainability of Research Management: challenge +opportunity

13:00 - 14:30

LUNCH BREAK & NETWORKING

14:30 - 15:30

PARALLEL SESSIONS

Sustainability: Impact on research and institutions

Balancing Family & Career: can MSCA pave a better way?

How can we reward researchers for Open Science?

Supporting policy with scientific evidence

15:30 - 15:40

INTERVAL

15:40 - 16:30

Lightning talks (ONLINE and ONSITE)

16:30 - 17:00

COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING

17:00 - 18:00

PARALLEL SESSIONS

Science Communication: Best practices and future paths - Part 2: Insights from citizens and organisations

Why and how to become an MCAA active member?

One size does NOT fit all: Reality of a diverse world

Careers after MSCA

Day 2 - Saturday 25-02-2023

8:00 - 9:00	REGISTRATION
9:00 - 9:30	WELCOMING SESSION Day 2
9:30 - 10:15	PLENARY SESSION 2 Sustainability
10:15 - 11:00	COFFEE BREAK & NETWORKING
11:00 - 12:00	PARALLEL SESSIONS Translating research assessment into practice Brain Drain or Gain: Inventory of Challenges and Solutions Writing competitive and collaborative EIC grants The role of multilingualism in/for research ecosystems
12:00 - 12:10	INTERVAL
12:10 - 13:10	PARALLEL SESSIONS Researcher Mental Health and Wellbeing Challenges for science diplomacy during international crisis Setting up the environment for sustainable research careers From Individual Fellowship to ERC accessibility

MCAA Annual Conference



Day 0 - Thursday 23-02-2023

9:00 - 18:00	Satellite event: Communication workshop (separate fee and registration, limited seats)
12:30 - 18:00	Satellite event: EU Science Diplomacy Alliance meeting (open event, limited seats)
09:00- 13:00	Board and chairs meeting (invitation only)
16:00	Play on Marie Curie
14:30 - 17:00	Chairs training and networking (invitation only)

MCAA Turkey Chapter



Represent MCAA and members are;
-Turkish MSCA fellows
-MSCA fellows hosted in Turkey
Establishment Date: May 2018

OUR BOARD



EBRU AYDIN GOL

Chair



**SARA BANU
AKKAŞ**

Vice chair



SUREYYA AKYUZ

Vice chair



MERIH ANGIN

Board member

Goals, to highlight a few

-Increasing the visibility of the MCAA Turkey Chapter on a local and global scale and attract researchers to Turkey through MSCA;

-Raise awareness about EU-funding opportunities for both early-stage and middle stage researchers;

-Promoting foreign researchers to apply to MSCA funding to be based in Turkey.

- Enhance networking within the community

MCAA Turkey Chapter



RESEARCHERS MEET INNOVATORS

09.05.2022
@ISTANBUL-KWORKS

Researchers meet innovators

The graphic features a large yellow lightbulb shape on a green background. Inside the lightbulb, the text 'RESEARCHERS MEET INNOVATORS' is written. Below the lightbulb, the date '09.05.2022' and the location '@ISTANBUL-KWORKS' are displayed. The background includes icons of people working at computers, a city skyline, and various scientific symbols.



QuakeBridge: Science, business and policy for effective earthquake readiness

12 JANUARY 2024
16:00 - 17:30 Time (CET)

How can academia, government and industry collaborate to minimize the impact of earthquakes





THANK YOU