

## IAPP Funds

- **Recruitment** of experienced researchers
- **Inter-sector secondments** of staff of the participants
- **100% of the researchers' salary**, including any costs to the employer
- **Research and Networking** activities
- Organisation of **workshops** and **conferences**
- For **SMEs: research equipment** (up to 10% of the EC contribution for each SME participant)
- Overheads and project management costs

## How to Apply

- The next call for proposals will be published on **24 April 2009** with a budget of 65 million euros, an increase of almost 50% on the previous call.
- The call will close on 27 July 2009 at 17:00 CET (Brussels Local Time).
- Find more information on the Marie Curie Actions website.



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**Marie Curie  
Industry-Academia  
Partnerships & Pathways**

GENERAL INFORMATION

## Marie Curie Industry-Academia Partnerships and Pathways (IAPP)

- IAPP provides European funding for joint research projects between commercial and non-commercial research organisations through exchange of staff. Funding is typically for 4 years.

### Who can apply?

- IAPP projects must include at least one organisation from each sector and the organisations must be established in at least two different Member States or Associated Countries.

### Which research topics are supported?

- All domains of research and technological development are eligible for funding (except areas of research covered by the EURATOM Treaty).

### Who can be appointed in an IAPP?

- Research staff and technical & managerial staff of all levels of experience are eligible for secondments.
- Experienced researchers are eligible for new recruitment by the IAPP partners.
- Seconded and recruited researchers can be of any nationality.

## Why Should INDUSTRY Participate?

- IAPP offers companies of all sizes alternative paths to innovation - higher risk research without the risk - while actively directing the research towards the companies needs.

### How long must staff be seconded for?

- In the private sector it is not always possible to second staff for long periods of time, especially from SMEs, so IAPP allows flexibility in the design of the partnership. Secondment durations can vary from two months to two years and secondment periods may be split into several visits of short duration and spread over the lifetime of the funded project.

### Are matching funds required?

- No, IAPP covers the salary costs of the seconded staff members and provides funding for the recruitment of external researchers. Furthermore, prefinancing of 60% of the total funding is normally provided at the start of the project.

### Who owns the Intellectual Property?

- In all Marie Curie funded projects any intellectual property generated remains the property of the participating organisations.

## What Are The Incentives For ACADEMIA?

- Easier access to research commercialisation and realising new venture opportunities can be an important source of income. The new networks established also increase the potential for other sources of research funding through future collaborations.

### Attracting the Best Researchers

- As the personnel costs are fully covered, the funding can provide a valuable tool to enable a research group to grow in size.
- Researchers supported through IAPP acquire exposure to industry and receive training appropriate to both the public and private sectors, significantly improving the researchers' future career perspectives.

### New Commercial Opportunities

- The expertise of the commercial partner can help identify commercial opportunities coming from the research results opening new paths of research.

### Peer recognition

- Receiving Marie Curie funding is a prestigious award. IAPP proposals are peer reviewed by an international panel of independent experts from the public and private sectors ensuring only the very best projects are funded.