

1st Call for Proposals NOW OPEN!

Deadline: 3rd of October 2023

This is a fantastic research, training and career development opportunity for postdoctoral researchers featuring:

- **2-year** Marie Skłodowska-Curie postdoc fellowship
- Individual research project under the supervision of a leading Lero researcher
- **Freedom to choose the research proposal topic** provided it falls within the broad SyMeCo programme themes and the research interests of an eligible SyMeCo supervisor
- **Secondment** period with the non-academic or academic sector **to suit your research and career advancement aspirations**
- **Comprehensive** discipline-specific and transferable **skills training** and **career development programme** provided
- **Communication training, public engagement, and outreach activities**

Up to 16 fellowships may be awarded on the 1st call.

Register interest NOW at symeco@lero.ie

For programme details and details on how to apply see <https://symeco.lero.ie/>

SyMeCo is a Marie Skłodowska-Curie COFUND postdoctoral fellowship programme coordinated by [Lero, the Science Foundation Ireland Research Centre for Software](#). SyMeCo is a cutting-edge initiative co-funded by the European Commission under the prestigious [Horizon Europe Marie Skłodowska-Curie programme](#) and by [Science Foundation Ireland](#).

The programme aims to provide **exceptional training and career development opportunities** to postdoctoral researchers, **fostering international mobility, intersectoral collaboration, and interdisciplinary exposure**. As a Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellowship programme, SyMeCo offers high-quality professional opportunities to researchers from all walks of life, regardless of their age, nationality, or disciplinary background, as long as they meet the programme's [eligibility criteria](#).

We welcome applications from researchers of any nationality who have a PhD degree and comply with the programme's [eligibility criteria and mobility rule](#). Researchers at Risk are encouraged to apply.

A degree in Computer Science, Software Engineering or a related discipline *is not* mandatory. Applications are open to candidates from complementary disciplines provided their proposal has received the support of an [eligible SyMeCo supervisor](#).

All fellowships will be based in Ireland where fellows will be hosted by their SyMeCo supervisor's host institution.

For SyMeCo's research themes, please see: <https://symeco.lero.ie/research-themes/>

Eligibility criteria

On the call deadline, 3rd of October 2023:

- Applicants must be **postdoctoral researchers** as per the Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions (MSCA) definition: applicants must have a PhD degree at the call deadline.
- Applicants must comply with the following **mobility rule**: they must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc.) in Ireland for more than 12 months in the 36 months immediately before the call deadline. Compulsory national service and/or short stays, such as

holidays, are not considered when assessing mobility compliance. In addition, for applicants who applied/are applying for refugee status in Ireland, the time spent in that process will not count as a time resident in Ireland.

For further details, please see <https://symeco.lero.ie/eligibility-criteria/>

If you are considering applying for a SyMeCo fellowship but are uncertain if you are eligible to apply, please get in touch with us. We would be delighted to discuss this further with you.

Evaluation & Selection Process

Fellows will be recruited via an internationally advertised open call for proposals. The evaluation and selection process will follow open, transparent and merit-based procedures to ensure that all applications are evaluated in a competent and impartial manner. It will include an international peer review followed by an interview stage.

Employment as a SyMeCo fellow

The total **gross salary** awarded to fellows will be **€50,124 per annum (without family allowance)** and **€56,604 per annum (with family allowance)**.

For the details on employment as a SyMeCo fellow, see: <https://symeco.lero.ie/fellowships/>

Contact:

Email: symeco@lero.ie