

**Centre for EUropean Peace and Security Studies (ZEUS)
Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH)**

**Call for Project Proposals
for a ZEUS-hosted Marie Curie Intra-European Fellowship**

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Call for proposals The Centre for EUropean Peace and Security Studies (ZEUS) invites experienced researchers who are nationals of an EU Member and Associated State to apply for a ZEUS-hosted EU Marie Curie Intra-European Fellowship (EIF).

In this context ZEUS particularly looks for applicants with project proposals focussed on the development of the EU's Foreign, Security and Defence Policy, and the EU as an evolving international security actor. Equally, project proposals should desirably touch upon the EU's security relations with other key players and/or key regions. Specifically, it is in the interest of ZEUS to aim its research at peace and conflict related EU policy and project proposals that elaborate relevant policy advice. ZEUS wishes not to limit the area of the proposed research. Reference is only made to the detailed principles of Marie Curie Intra-European Fellowships as mentioned below.

ZEUS asks interested researchers to submit draft proposals to ehrhart@ifsh.de. Please indicate "Marie Curie EIF Project Proposal" in the subject line. ZEUS will reply to all applicants immediately.

ZEUS will approach short-listed candidates to discuss further project details. Decisions on the final candidate will be taken on the strict basis of best quality of the project proposal and best qualified applicant.

ZEUS is an equal-opportunity employer operating on the principle of non-discrimination.

About ZEUS Established in 2003 under the institutional umbrella of the Institute for Peace Research and Security Policy at the University of Hamburg (IFSH), the Centre for European Peace and Security Studies – Zentrum für EUropäische Friedens- und Sicherheitsstudien (ZEUS) is dedicated to the research on EU-related peace and security issues. It specifically deals with the role of the EU as a peace actor and global security provider in its securityrelated policy fields as well as with regard to its institutional and operational ties to international security organizations such as NATO and UN, to key countries such as the US and Russia and to key regions such as the Balkans, Africa, Central Asia and the Middle East.

Working in close cooperation with the inhouse Centre for OSCE Research (CORE) and maintaining a close relationship to important Research Institutes in and outside Germany, ZEUS is aimed both at contributing to the current academic discourse and at educating as well as promoting junior scientists. Along with the general agenda of the IFSH, ZEUS sets its research focus on the interface between civil and military conflict prevention and crisis management in the EU context. The results of the research target political actors in Germany and Europe as well as the academia and the public, thus enhancing the insight on the development of the EU as an active actor on peace- and security-related issues.

ZEUS is financed – as a branch of IFSH – through the Institute’s budget. IFSH is a foundation under private law. The regular IFSH budget is provided by the City of Hamburg. Besides, ZEUS raises research funds from third parties.

About Marie Curie Actions Known as the Marie Curie Actions, the Sixth EU Human Resources and Mobility Activities (HRM) are an effort for developing and transferring research competencies, the consolidation and widening of researchers' career prospects, and the promotion of excellence in European research.

Marie Curie Actions have a budget of €1,580 million and are largely based on the financing of training and mobility activities for researchers. They are open to researchers in all fields of scientific and technological research from the EU Member States, from countries associated with FP6 and from third countries. Eligibility for the various schemes is based on research experience and expertise.

Marie Curie Actions offer numerous opportunities to individual researchers to participate in a research team in another country. Funding is available for researchers to move both within Europe and internationally. And, in an effort to enhance networking between researchers, the EU provides funding for researchers coming from third countries to receive training in Europe. Three types of so-called “Individual-Driven Actions” are available to researchers of all ages with at least four years' experience or with a doctorate degree. Marie Curie Actions should boost the researchers’ career prospects by helping them to develop cutting-edge research skills and gather experience abroad. An integral part of the Marie Curie Actions is the so-called Marie Curie Intra-European Fellowship (EIF).

You can please find further information on Marie Curie Actions at:

http://europa.eu.int/comm/research/fp6/mariecurie-actions/index_en.html