

THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE UGLY

Career paths, research funds and the role of Host Institutions in supporting Humanities and Social Sciences Researchers

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Is a degree in humanities worth less than a science degree?

- Across creative and service industries, public policy and civil society, the impacts of the social sciences and humanities are felt in diverse – and often unpredictable – ways.
- Universities and researchers are now more sophisticated in the ways that they support and track these impacts.
- Governments and funders increasingly recognize and reward them, alongside more traditional measures of excellence.
- But there's still a long way to go.

The Good, the Bad and the Ugly

• Marie Curie Alumni Association (MCAA) fully recognize and is actively trying to relieve or, at least, to promote active discussion about some of the endemic problems that still plague the researchers in these fields, such as:

- chronic lack of funding
- under-promotion of their research achievements
- the absence of opportunities outside the academia





Number of eligible proposals	242 proposals	500 proposals	132 proposals	940 proposals	197 proposals	832 proposals	928 proposals	1776 proposals	159 proposals	773 proposals	1456 proposals	65 proposals	26 proposals	126 proposals	148 proposals	195 proposals	22 proposals	91 proposals	221 proposals
Score equal to or above	CAR	RI	SE	ST-CHE	ST-ECO	ST-ENG	ST-ENV	ST-LIF	ST-MAT	ST-PHY	ST-SOC	GF-CHE	GF-ECO	GF-ENG	GF-ENV	GF-LIF	GF-MAT	GF-PHY	GF-SOC
100	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.11%	0.00%	0.48%	0.11%	0.11%	0.00%	0.00%	0.41%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.51%	0.00%	0.00%	0.90%
99	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.21%	0.00%	0.96%	0.22%	0.23%	0.00%	0.00%	0.82%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	1.03%	0.00%	0.00%	1.81%
98	0.83%	0.40%	0.00%	0.74%	1.02%	1.92%	0.54%	0.84%	0.00%	0.13%	2.47%	0.00%	0.00%	1.56%	1.36%	1.54%	0.00%	0.00%	4.07%
97	2.46%	1.20%	0.00%	1.06%	1.02%	2.52%	1.19%	1.86%	0.63%	0.52%	3.71%	0.00%	0.00%	2.38%	3.36%	2.05%	0.00%	0.00%	6.33%
96	3.31%	3.00%	0.00%	2.02%	1.52%	4.33%	2.16%	3.43%	1.26%	1.55%	6.36%	1.54%	0.00%	4.76%	5.41%	3.08%	0.00%	0.00%	8.14%
95	4.13%	5.20%	1.52%	4.15%	3.65%	5.65%	4.20%	5.97%	3.14%	2.72%	8.24%	6.15%	3.85%	9.52%	6.06%	5.64%	0.00%	2.20%	14.48%
94	5.37%	8.60%	1.52%	6.46%	4.06%	8.41%	7.22%	8.61%	5.03%	4.52%	10.56%	10.77%	11.54%	11.90%	12.16%	8.21%	4.55%	5.46%	18.10%
93	8.26%	12.20%	3.03%	9.15%	6.00%	10.46%	9.59%	11.26%	8.81%	7.12%	13.05%	12.31%	11.54%	16.67%	14.86%	11.28%	4.55%	10.86%	20.81%
92	10.33%	15.60%	4.55%	12.45%	10.15%	12.62%	13.38%	14.41%	12.56%	10.09%	15.59%	20.00%	15.36%	21.43%	16.89%	13.85%	4.55%	16.48%	26.70%
91	12.40%	19.80%	9.09%	15.85%	11.68%	16.95%	17.35%	18.69%	19.50%	14.23%	18.68%	24.62%	19.23%	23.02%	21.62%	20.00%	4.55%	21.98%	29.41%
90	14.58%	23.00%	12.12%	19.47%	15.23%	20.31%	21.68%	23.03%	20.13%	18.89%	21.83%	29.23%	23.03%	26.88%	25.00%	25.84%	9.09%	28.57%	31.67%
89	16.94%	28.20%	13.64%	24.15%	18.27%	23.20%	24.03%	27.48%	25.16%	23.03%	24.04%	33.85%	19.23%	31.76%	28.38%	30.26%	9.09%	37.36%	33.48%
88	19.42%	32.00%	13.64%	27.55%	19.29%	26.20%	28.56%	31.25%	28.93%	26.78%	28.44%	36.92%	26.92%	34.13%	32.43%	37.86%	18.18%	42.86%	37.10%
87	22.73%	35.80%	15.15%	32.77%	20.81%	29.21%	31.57%	35.02%	32.70%	31.31%	29.46%	40.00%	26.92%	38.10%	37.16%	41.03%	31.82%	48.35%	40.72%
86	25.21%	40.20%	18.67%	36.81%	23.35%	32.81%	36.42%	38.96%	36.48%	35.32%	32.35%	41.54%	38.46%	42.86%	42.57%	46.67%	31.82%	51.66%	44.80%
85	27.69%	44.80%	21.21%	40.64%	25.89%	36.54%	40.63%	42.96%	38.99%	40.10%	35.23%	43.08%	42.31%	46.03%	45.27%	48.72%	31.82%	57.14%	47.51%
84	35.95%	49.20%	24.24%	44.47%	30.46%	38.58%	44.18%	46.90%	45.28%	45.67%	37.71%	49.23%	46.15%	50.00%	47.97%	54.87%	36.36%	59.34%	52.04%
83	39.26%	53.20%	28.03%	49.36%	34.01%	42.67%	47.74%	50.73%	51.57%	49.68%	41.35%	52.31%	50.00%	53.97%	48.65%	56.92%	50.00%	60.44%	57.01%
82	44.63%	56.60%	33.33%	52.13%	38.07%	46.03%	51.29%	54.34%	52.83%	54.33%	44.64%	55.38%	50.00%	54.76%	50.68%	57.95%	50.00%	64.64%	61.54%
81	47.11%	59.20%	35.81%	57.13%	41.12%	49.52%	54.31%	58.16%	60.38%	58.86%	47.36%	63.08%	53.85%	57.14%	52.70%	61.54%	59.09%	70.33%	63.35%

Results of “Marie Curie Action” Individual Fellowships – January 2017

ST-ECO (Economic Sciences): 197 proposals = 11.68%

ST-SOC (Social Sciences and Humanities/Arts): 1456 proposals =14.05%



Number of eligible proposals	322 proposals	533 proposals	204 proposals	1012 proposals	176 proposals	650 proposals	683 proposals	1701 proposals	167 proposals	763 proposals	1511 proposals	71 proposals	21 proposals	99 proposals	124 proposals	213 proposals	6 proposals	65 proposals	232 proposals
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100	0.00%	0.38%	0.00%	0.00%	0.56%	0.12%	0.00%	0.00%	0.60%	0.00%	0.13%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.43%
99	0.31%	0.56%	0.00%	0.00%	0.56%	0.47%	0.45%	0.35%	0.60%	0.00%	0.46%	0.00%	0.00%	1.01%	0.81%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.43%
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94	6.83%	12.20%	3.43%	6.92%	3.93%	8.94%	9.51%	11.58%	7.78%	4.00%	7.61%	11.27%	4.76%	11.11%	9.68%	6.57%	0.00%	4.62%	12.93%
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91	15.22%	25.69%	9.80%	16.30%	8.55%	16.00%	19.25%	21.34%	16.17%	12.19%	14.56%	22.54%	4.76%	25.25%	22.56%	17.84%	25.00%	20.00%	19.83%
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Results of “Marie Curie Action” Individual Fellowships – January 2018

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ST-SOC (Social Sciences and Humanities/Arts): 1511 proposals =14.56%

European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018

- The year will see a series of initiatives and events across Europe to enable people to become closer to and more involved with their cultural heritage
- *“Cultural heritage has a universal value for us as individuals, communities and societies. It is important to preserve and pass on to future generations. You may think of heritage as being ‘from the past’ or static, but it actually evolves through our engagement with it. What is more, our heritage has a big role to play in building the future of Europe. That is one reason why we want to reach out to young people in particular during the European Year.”*

https://europa.eu/cultural-heritage/about_en

The logo for the 2018 European Year of Cultural Heritage, featuring the year '2018', the European Union flag, and the text 'EUROPEAN YEAR OF CULTURAL HERITAGE' and '#EuropeForCulture' on a yellow background.

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Promotion of research on social sciences and humanities as a resource for Europe and the world

The European Consortium of Humanities Institutes and Centres



- To speak up on behalf of members in dialogue with ESF, EU and other funding and policy-making bodies to canvass the need for humanities research; to be able to speak on behalf of the humanities and develop a language for the (position of) humanities institutes in European universities today.
- To establish a network across the EU to lobby for the humanities in Europe today; to prepare collaborative projects and activities and set up an effective networking system with other international networks in the humanities, such as CHCI and others.

<http://www.echic.org/>

2018 ECHIC Conference

"Equip and Engage: Research and Dissemination Infrastructures for the Humanities", 4-6 April 2018, Leuven, Belgium

European Association of Sociology (EAS)
European Confederation of Political Science Associations (ECPSA)
European Educational Research Association (EERA)
European Association of Social Anthropologists (EASA)

• *Joint letter from SSH scientific community to the European Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science*

• **European Alliance for Social Sciences and Humanities (EASSH)**

In total, the share of budget going to SSH partners out of the total call budget will stand only at 6%.



Helping hand for young PhD Students

International Conference for PhD Students and Recent PhD Graduates – joint project:

- Faculty of Arts, University of Ljubljana (Slovenia)
 - Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences University of Split (Croatia)
 - Center of Iconographic Studies, University of Rijeka (Croatia)
 - Faculty of Philosophy, University of Belgrade (Serbia)
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- Each year a joint member
 - No registration fee
 - Students give their presentations and get published (Cambridge Scholars Ltd)
 - Career advices to the Students



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4th International Conference for PhD Students and Recent PhD Graduates

Tbilisi, 28th – 30th September 2017

*Art and Cross-Cultural Dialogue:
Identity and Cultural Diversity*

PROGRAMME

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INFORMATION FOR THE PARTICIPANTS

FREE GUIDED TOURS INFORMATION

- **Gabi Lombardo**, European Alliance for Social Sciences and Humanities, **An Alliance for Research NOT a Research Alliance**
- **Justine Seran**, Edinburgh Global, University of Edinburgh, **Enhancing humanities PhDs employability in the globalised neoliberal academy**
- **Dario Pellizzon**, Research Area of Ca' Foscari University, **A human resources strategy for researchers: how host institutions can play a role**



Thank you!