

SPEAKERS AND MSCA PF CANDIDATES COVERAGE OF TRAVEL AND ACCOMODATION GUIDELINES **BROKERAGE EXTREMADURA 2025 AND** MSCA@EXTREMADURA BOOTCAMP 2025



"TE Internacionalización I+D+i 2023-2025 Project"

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1. Description of the activity

The Foundation FUNDECYT Science and Technology Park of Extremadura (hereinafter FUNDECYT-PCTEX) is developing the project '*TE Internacionalización I+D+i 2023-2025*", funded by the Department of Education, Science and Vocational Training of the Regional Government of Extremadura and the European Regional Development Fund of the European Union (80%), within the action 'Internationalisation of R&D&I' (Regional Government of Extremadura project Nº20230010).

In the framework of this project the **Brokerage Event Extremadura 2025** "R&D connections for European new challenges", being organized on the 12th and the 13th of May 2025 in the city of Badajoz (Spain).

This event offers an opportunity for collaboration between European and Extremadura public and private agents to jointly build the solutions demanded by Horizon Europe in some areas of research and to respond to the European challenges for the coming years.

The event has an eminently practical content with specific workshops for the construction of consortia around the topics of greatest interest to the attendees.

This event is accompanied by the parallel **MSCA@Extremadura Bootcamp 2025**, an activity designed to promote research mobility in the framework of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie postdoctoral research career actions, with a specific training programme for candidates to the 2025 call for proposals that are willing to develop their research career with a supervisor of Extremadura.

The thematic scope of the **Brokerage Event Extremadura 2025** includes different knowledge areas included from the Strategic Plan of Horizon Europe 2025-2027 2025 with a focus on 2025 collaborations. The topics to be addressed in this event are grouped into the following thematic areas:

- Health and Mission Cancer
- Social Transformations
- Technologies for EU future challenges and
- Biodiversity, Sustainable Food and Mission Climate

In the meantime, the parallel MSCA@Extremadura Bootcamp 2025 has an open thematic approach.

Two activities are being implemented to foster the international character of the events:

1). A <u>Call for Speakers</u> addressed to potential European collaborators interested in the mentioned areas and with the common objective of creating joint consortia for open call for proposals.

Target groups of this call for speakers are researchers from public and private research centres, private companies' representatives, regional and European networks and any other organization eligible to participate in the European Research Framework.

2). A <u>Call for Candidates to participate in the MSCA@Extremadura Bootcamp 2025</u> as a kick off activity to prepare proposals for the call HORIZON-MSCA-2025-PF-01-01 to be hosted in an institution of Extremadura (Spain).









Selected speakers and candidates for MSCA PF cost of travel and accommodation will be managed by the project in accordance to the following conditions:

- The travel of all attendees will be managed through the organisation of the event
- Travel to and from the selected participant's departure destination to Badajoz city will be done by accessible public transport.
- Accommodation on a bed and breakfast basis in a 3 or 4 stars hotel in Badajoz.

The organisation will ensure the comfort of the participants as well as the efficient management of resources.

2. Requirements and procedure for the participation

Experts that intend to participate as <u>Speakers</u> in the thematic sessions of the Brokerage Extremadura 2030 will have to meet the following **requirements**:

- Complete the registration form selecting the request to participate as speaker at the website <u>https://www.brokerageextremadura.es/call-for-speakers/</u> before the 28th April 2025.

- Complete a Project Cooperation or Field of Expertise in the Market Place of the event.

- Complete the power point for the pitching session. This document will be the base for the evaluation.

- Have sufficient communication skills in English.

On the other hand, **<u>Candidates to the MSCA@Extremadura Bootcamp 2025</u>** will have to comply with the following **requirements**:

-Complete the Expression of Interest and the Researcher Commitment accessible from here: <u>https://www.opesecti.es/mscaextremadura-bootcamp-2025-expressions-of-interest/</u>. These documents will be the base for the evaluation.

- Complete the registration form for the event Brokerage Extremadura 2025 in the link <u>https://www.brokerageextremadura.es/</u> and selecting the option before the 28th April 2025.

- Complete a Project Cooperation or a Field of Expertise in the Market Place of the event.

- Have sufficient communication skills in English.

These requirements will be verified by the organization of the event through the information contained in the application form. If necessary, virtual meetings will be held to verify the requirements.

Both participants in the Call for Speakers and in the MSCA Bootcamp will have to commit with:

- Provide the requested information in due time and form to prepare the travel.

- Attend a preparatory meeting, if required.









- Participate in the complete agenda of the Brokerage Extremadura 2025 (from 12th at 20.00h pm to 13th at 18.00h pm and until the 14th at 17.00h pm for the MSCA Bootcamp participants.

- Evaluate the activity at the end, by means of a testimonial, in the requested format.

Failure to comply with these commitments may result in the rejection of the participation and/or the reimbursement of the costs at the request of the event organiser.

3. Selection Process

The selection criteria for speakers among those interested who meet the requirements will be implemented by revising the information contained in the power point for the pitching session:

- 1. Alignment of the profiles to the areas of knowledge of the parallel sessions (From 1-4 points)
- 2. Robustness of the project idea for a competitive call in the selected areas (From 1-2 points)
- 3. Contribution profile to participate in one or several areas of knowledge (From 1-2 points)
- 4. Multidisciplinary approach (From 1-2 points)

In the case of MSCA PF, the selection will be done based on the Expressions of Interest:

- 1. Viability of the proposal in relation to the supervisor profile (From 1-3)
- 2. Contribution to Smart Specialization of Extremadura Strategy (From 1-2)
- 3. Researcher contribution to the EU and global challenges (From 1-3)
- 4. Multidisciplinary approach (From 1-2)

The list of selected participants will be published on the event website and those selected will be notified.

Interested parties will have a period of at least three calendar days to submit their allegations.

At the end of the event, a certificate of participation will be given to all participants.

4. More information

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