



Marie Curie Alumni Association

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Chapter

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The MCAA



*Marie Skłodowska-Curie
(1867-1934)*

- Founded in 2012, the MCAA has grown into a dynamic network with more than 22,000 members. As of 2014, it is an AISL based in Belgium.
- Membership is free and open to any past or present beneficiary of funding under any of the past or present schemes of the European Commission's MSCA programme.
- Funding and support for the MCAA is provided mainly by the European Commission Directorate General for Education and Culture, while increasingly diversifying funding sources.

The MCAA provides **lifetime opportunities:** continuous support of beneficiaries, regardless of career path, stage, location, and research field.

The MCAA Mission & Vision



Mission:

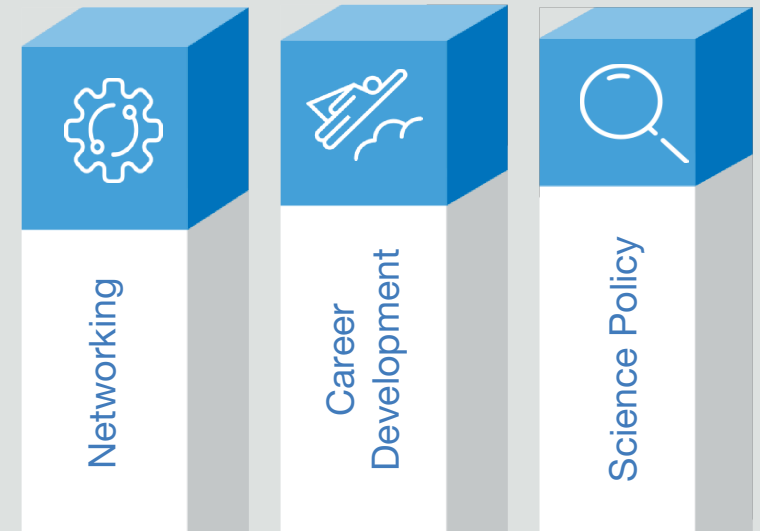
Our mission is to bring together the MSCA community, support the career development of present and past MSCA beneficiaries at all career stages, and be a voice for researchers across regions and disciplines.

Vision:

Our vision is an inclusive and sustainable research environment that enables knowledge to benefit society.

Goals:

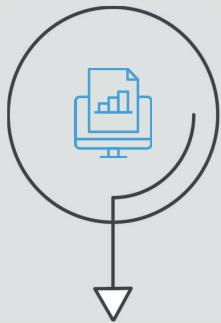
1. Connecting the MSCA community
2. Career development for MCAA members
3. Advocacy for researchers



The MCAA services

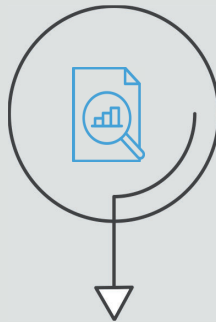


Member Directory



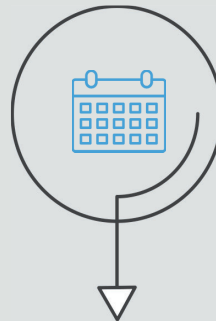
Contacts
Networking
Social

Surveys



Report
Analysis
Recommendations

Events



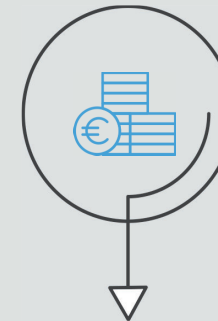
Chapters
& Working
Groups

Support & training



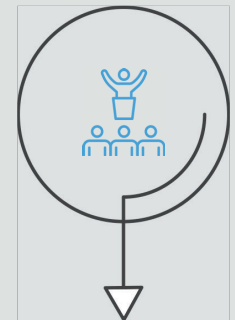
Referent
MCAA Academy
Coursera
Whistleblowing
PEP-CV

Micro-grants



MG
MGAG
MITG

Awards



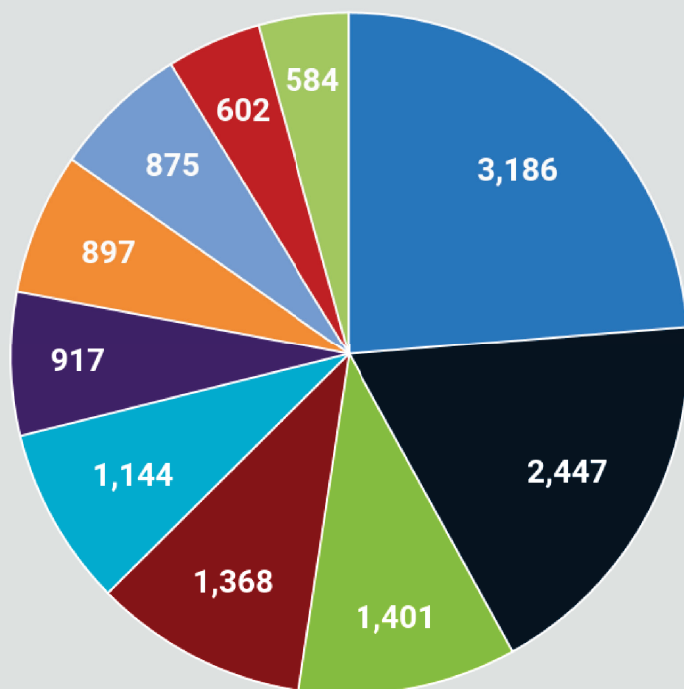
Recognition
of efforts
& achievements

The MCAA members



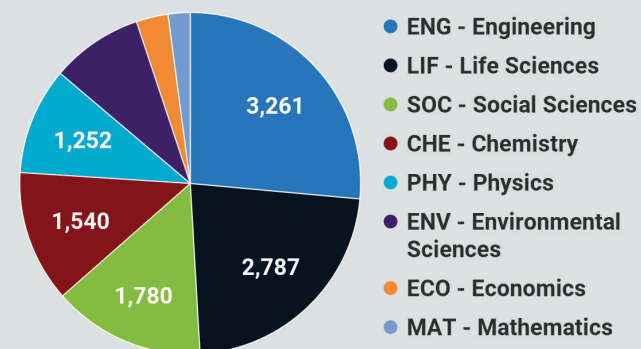
22,500+ members from 155 different nationalities

Top 10 Nationalities

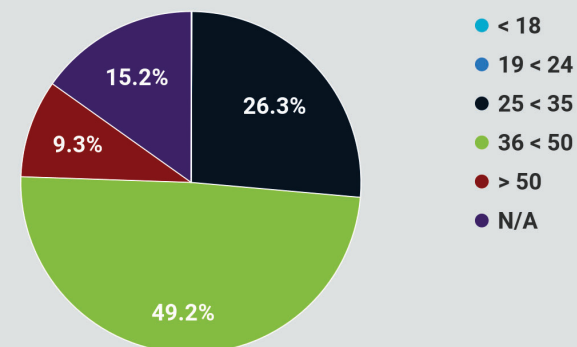


- Italy
- Spain
- Germany
- India
- France
- Greece
- China
- United Kingdom
- Portugal
- Poland

Scientific Panel



Age Representation



More information on member demographics at <https://www.mariecuriealumni.eu/charts>

The MCAA Structure



MCAA General Assembly (all members)

MCAA Board

11 voting board members

Executive Committee (5)

Ordinary Members (6)

Ex-officio

European Commission

Chapter Chairs

Working Group Chairs

MCAA Chapters (37)

Africa

Asia (5)

Europe (25)

Americas & Caribe (6)

MCAA Working Groups (8)

Policy

Research Funding

Research Management

Genders, Equity, Diversity, and
Inclusion (GEDI)

Bridging Science and Business

Communication

Career Development

Sustainability

+ *Survey; Management;
Information & Data Access (IDA)*

MCAA Secretariat

MCAA Board



Executive Committee (Excom)

Chair



Gian Maria Greco

Vice- Chair



Corinne Portioli

Vice- Chair



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Treasurer



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Secretary



Maria Magdalena
Razalan

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Irene Castellano
Pellicena



Ornela Bardhi



Farah Islam



Virginia Helena
Albarracin



Maria Romano



Hakim Ferria

A plethora of activities, wide impact



- Annual Conference
- Microgrants
- The MCAA Learning Platform
- Learning licences
- Workshops
- Webinars



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2025 MCAA Annual Conference



- Annual flagship event, organised this year on **March 21–22** in **Krakow, Poland**.
- Hundreds of participants from all over the world and different fields of expertise.
- On **March 19 and 20**, several **satellite events** will take place.
- More information: mariecuriealumni.eu/conference-2025



BENELUX
CHAPTER

Benelux Chapter Board members



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Chair

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Vice Chair

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Domenighini

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munication

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Project
Manager

Anas Gasser

Project Manager

Past and Future Activities



Webinars: Leadership skills, Intercultural Communication, Alternative careers in academia (planned)

Workshops and lectures: creativity (in Amsterdam), Meet the entrepreneur event (Namur), Science diplomacy (planned in Amsterdam)

Community building: Pub Quiz (Amsterdam), Pint of Science (Antwerp), Get-together (Leuven)

Representation at MCAA Annual Meeting and events with external events

How to join and Contact



Go on our website -> www.mariecuriealumni.eu/groups/benelux-chapter

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