



IOF Marie Curie Fellow Experience

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Marta's Research Experience

▶ Positions



- ▶ 2004 Internship LIMSI (Paris)
- ▶ 2004-2008 PhD UPC (Barcelona)
- ▶ 2009-2012 Juan de la Cierva BM (Barcelona)
- ▶ 2011 Visiting researcher I2R (Singapore)
- ▶ 2012 Visiting professor IME-USP (São Paulo)
- ▶ 2013 **Marie Curie Researcher I2R (Singapore)**

▶ Research topics

- ✓ Automatic Speech Recognition
- ✓ Statistical Machine Translation
- ✓ Cross Language Information Retrieval
- ✓ Opinion Mining

Why should I apply for a Marie Curie Program?

- Brings the opportunity to gain experience, obtain scientific and transferrable skills, increase employability
- Prestigious grant
- Good financial support
- Flexibility of implementation

So.. Why not?

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Why did I apply?

- I have heard of Marie Curie Actions... And how challenging it was to obtain one...
- It was time for a mid-term **international experience** with the **guarantee of coming back** to Europe
- “Leading” my first European Project

From decision to action.

My own steps

1. I looked for host and partner organization
2. I contacted a host and a partner scientifics
3. I defined a project with the support and collaboration of the host and partner scientifics

NOTE: I invested one month half-time.

IMPORTANT: I used all info available from the European Commision, the national point and my network of contacts

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Set backs

- Before applying
 - Integrating all proposal (together with info from host and partner) institutions
- After application
 - In general terms, the PARTNER institution in an IOF is not used to treat with the European Commission as much as an EUROPEAN institution can be...

Key aspects of my proposal

- CV (content and presentation)
- Appealing and coherent project (with my research experience, with the research developed in the two labs...)
- Appealing host and partner institutions

Future benefits of having implemented a Marie Curie Action

- Gaining experience
- Plus in the CV
- In any case, I should have more job opportunities than if I had not implemented it

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Advices ?

Analyse your options

Design a nice project

And...

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