



Seal of excellence

The experience of the Autonomous Province of Bolzano Bozen – South Tyrol

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South Tyrol

We are a small region with high potential

Mostly known as touristic destination
than for its research and innovation



Our funding strategy

Since 2019 we have set up a **new strategy** for **scientific research** and **internationalisation** including a varied range of measures

Call for local
projects

Calls for joint
projects with AT,
DE, Lux, CH

Call for int.
Mobility of
researchers

MSCA Seal
of
excellence

Partner of Eu
partnerships
(Biodiversa+)

Grant Open
Access
pubs

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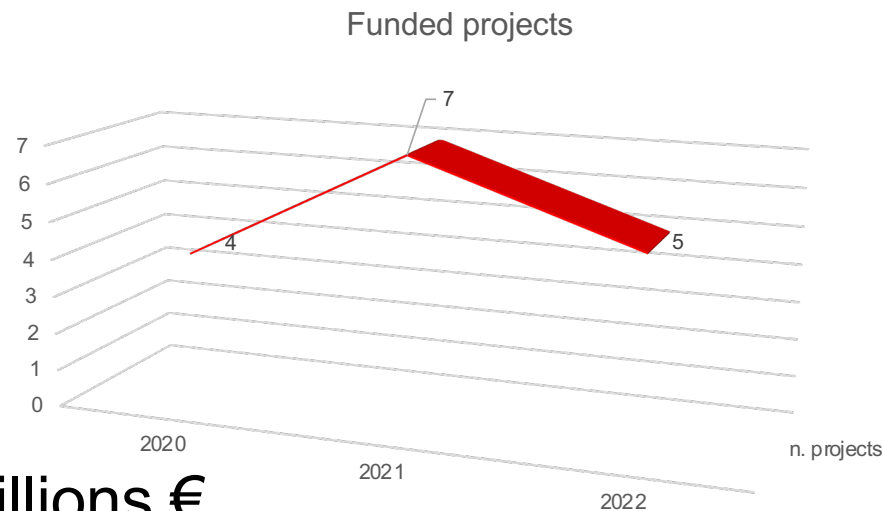
Marie Skłodowska-Curie Action

- Launched: 2019. First projects funded: 2020
- H2020 Individual fellowships / HE post doctoral fellowships
- 500.000 € per year allocated
- Grant to the hosting institution (not the researcher)
- Project portability to South Tyrol
- Follow up projects can funded by other local measures

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- 16 projects funded so far, despite the Covid 19 pandemic
- 15 still ongoing



- Total investment: 2,7 millions €

SUCCESS FACTORS for the Public Administration

- **Saving time and resources:** evaluation of the project already available; just a control of formal requirements is needed
- Funds for very **high quality projects**
- **Easy management:** (no big issues so far, despite the Covid 19 pandemic, nobody renounced)
- **Flexibility:** minor delays in starting the projects, short smart-working periods
- **Brain gain:** researchers coming to or coming back

SUCCESS FACTORS

for the grantees

- **Fast and easy** procedure: simple request for funding (no call)
- **Fast 100% success rate**: if all formal requirements are met, the project is approved and funded
- **Flexible procedure**: project can start within 6 months after approval; part-time commitment; minor budget modifications
- **Portability** of the project to South Tyrol
- High satisfaction rate by hosted researchers as well as by hosting institutions

CRITICAL ASPECTS

- Some (solved) issues while matching the MSCA rules to our local rules and laws: some modifications needed
- One year between project submission and its start: risk of obsolescence
- Portability of projects need some more evaluation work
- Scarce and not timely communication from the EC about the MSCA action results and management (even if asked: no answer)

AUTONOME PROVINZ BOZEN - SÜDTIROL

Abteilung 0 - Bezeichnung der Abteilung
Bezeichnung des Amtes



PROVINCIA AUTONOMA DI BOLZANO - ALTO ADIGE

Ripartizione 0 - Denominazione della ripartizione
Denominazione dell'ufficio

Thank you for your attention

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