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CAROLINE
Collaborative Research Fellowships
for a Responsive and Innovative Europe



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**Collaborative Research Fellowships for a Responsive and
Innovative Europe**

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions COFUND

“Starting your fellowship”

Training and networking session 28th September 2017

CAROLINE

CAROLINE is a research fellowship programme for postdoctoral / experienced researchers (see T&Cs for definitions)

The programme has received funding from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under the Marie Skłodowska-Curie grant agreement No 713279

CAROLINE Fellows are Irish Research Council and MSCA Fellows => consider joining the MSCA Alumni Association!

Aims of CAROLINE programme

To support suitable highly qualified experienced researchers in any discipline to:

- conduct research relevant to the overarching theme of global sustainable development as set out under the [United Nations 2030 Agenda](#)
- engage in international collaboration with suitable NGOs or IOs;
- experience and benefit from intersectoral and international mobility;
- avail of relevant training and career development opportunities;
- increase their chances of gaining a future senior research position, including in the non-academic sector.

Remaining conditions to be met

- CAROLINE Fellows are required to submit to the Council the following documents:
 - By **12th October 2017**:
 - Copy of employment contract with Irish home host organisation
 - By **31st December 2017**:
 - Updated career development and training plan for the first 12 months of the fellowship
 - Ethical approval issued by the relevant committee in their Irish home host organisation (where required)

Conditions for continuation of the fellowship

- Compliance with the Terms and Conditions of the award as specified in the Standard Research Agreement, including (but not limited to):
 - Satisfactory progress (regular progress reporting)
 - Dissemination of results compliant with open access policy
 - Acknowledgement of the Council's and European Commission's funding: use of logo, include grant agreement number
 - No additional duties (note conditions for an exception for teaching)
 - Restrictions on additional awards
 - Conditions for stays away longer than 4 weeks (other than secondments and placements)

Get ready for practicalities!

- Clarify with your host organisations:
 - Procedure for reimbursement for research expenses (contact persons, forms, timeframe...)
 - Should be specified in the agreement between your home host and main partner organisation; make sure you understand how exactly you will go about getting reimbursed.
 - Access to various supports available to staff in general in your:
 - home host organisation
 - main partner organisation/placement partner organisation
 - Entitlements and procedures pertaining to sick leave, annual leave etc.

Network and share your success stories

- Informal Irish Research Council's COFUND fellows' network
- **Let us know about your successes:**
 - Publications
 - Conferences
 - Prizes
 - Outreach activities and good causes

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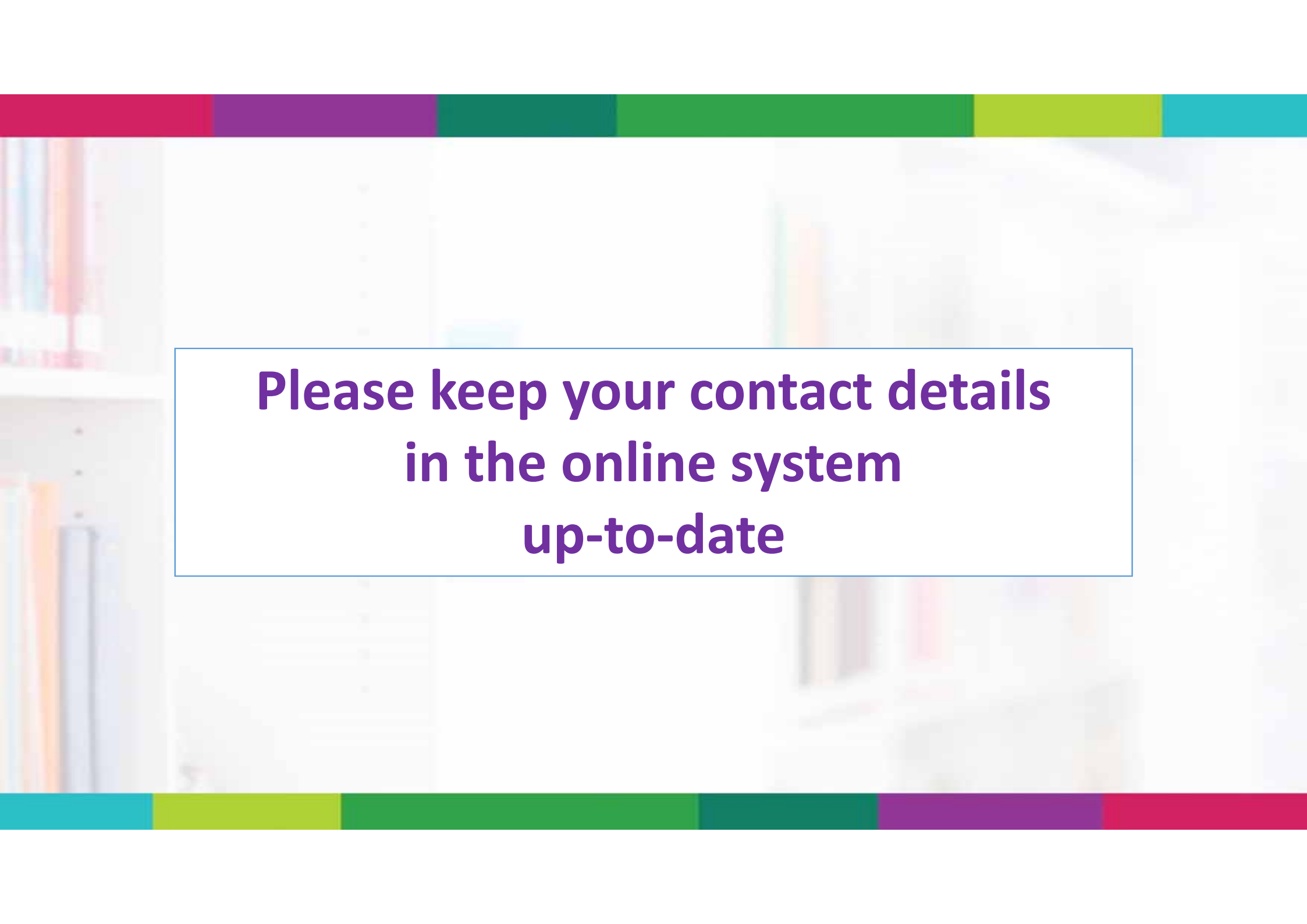
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What if...

...something goes wrong or looks like it might: serious health issues, personal issues, concerns about progress/level of support in a host institution...

- Approach your academic/secondment mentor
- Consult with research office in your home host organisation
- Contact the Council's COFUND project team cofund@research.ie

Act early to pre-empt problems/before a situation becomes serious



**Please keep your contact details
in the online system
up-to-date**



Questions?