"EXPRESSION OF INTEREST" FOR HOSTING MARIE S. CURIE FELLOWS IN ISRAELI INSTITUTIONS (CALL MSCA IF 2015)

1. Interested institution:

Bar-Ilan University

2. Brief Description of the Institution

Established in 1955, Bar-Ilan University (BIU) is today Israel's largest university with a total undergraduate and graduate student enrollment of more than 34,000 at its main Ramat Gan campus and six regional colleges. With more than 1,600 senior and junior faculty members, BIU has achieved an international reputation for academic and research excellence, especially, but not limited to the fields of archaeology, bio-medicine, brain sciences, cancer, communications and information security, cognitive sciences, marine biology, magnetism and superconductivity, multilingualism, nanotechnology and advanced materials, and renewable energy. Bar-Ilan offers high-level academic studies and the development of advanced research, placing a premium on cross-discipline research. Bar-Ilan has extensive experience in Marie Sklodowska Curie Actions, hosting and managing numerous fellowships since FP5.

3. Please tick the areas of research (as established in Marie Sklodowska Curie Actions)

- □ Chemistry (CHE)
- Social Sciences and Humanities (SOC)
- ⊠ Economic Sciences (ECO)
- ☑ Information Science and Engineering (ENG)
- ☑ Environmental Sciences and Geology (ENV)
- □ Life Sciences (LIF)
- □ Physics (PHY)

4. Research / Project Description

The Bar-Ilan University (BIU) invites eligible international researchers to choose BIU as their host institution for a Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowship for proposals in all fields.

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Individual Fellowships provide support for Experienced Researchers undertaking mobility between countries. Individual Fellowships provide opportunities to acquire and transfer new knowledge and to work on research in a European context. (EU Member States and Associated Countries) or outside Europe. The scheme particularly supports the return and reintegration of researchers to Europe or Associated Countries. It also develops or helps to restart the careers of individual researchers that show great potential, considering their experience.

All Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions have a bottom-up approach, i.e. research fields are chosen freely by the applicants.

Projects can range between 12-36 months.

For more information, please see the <u>Guide for Applicants</u> and the <u>Work Programme</u>.

5. Who can apply?

At the deadline for the submission of proposals (10/09/2015), researchers (*):

- shall be in possession of a doctoral degree or have at least four years of full-time equivalent research experience.
- must not have resided or carried out their main activities in the country of Israel for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the abovementioned deadline.

6. Contact person

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7. Applications: documents to be submitted and deadlines

It is required that you have a supervisor from BIU. We will be happy to assist. Final submission via the EU Participant Portal.

Please note that:

- Deadline of the next call for proposals for Marie Sklodowska Curie Individual Fellowships is September, 10th 2015.
- (*) Further details on the Call and additional eligibility criteria can be found at the Participants 'Portal