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

1. Interested institution:

University of Haifa

2. Brief Description of the Institution

The University of Haifa was founded in 1963. Today it is home to more than 18,000 students and a teaching staff of over 2,000 divided over various undergraduate and postgraduate programs in 7 faculties: Natural Sciences, Education; Humanities; Law; Public Heath; Social Sciences and Mathematics and faculty of management, and 7 schools: Business Administration, Marine Science, Social Work, History, International school, criminology and Political Sciences.

Research is concentrated in centers and institutes on a wide variety of subjects and fields. Among them: study of psychological stress, information processing and decision-making, evolution, the Holocaust; maritime studies, natural and environmental resources, shipping and aviation, the family. Research facilities include The Jewish-Arab Center, Herzl Institute for the Study of Zionism and Israel, Study of Crime, Law, and Society, Study of Pilgrimage, Tourism and Recreation; Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Emotions; International Brain and Behavior Research Center; Center for Democratic Studies; Center for Law and Technology; Center for Research of Education for Peace; Center for National Security Studies and Geostrategy. IBM put up its largest research center outside the US on the Haifa campus.

A high percentage of the research at the University is carried by a core staff of around 600 scholars and scientists out in the context of about 60 research institutes, centers and laboratories, strongly geared towards interdisciplinary projects.

University of Haifa has a large, modern and well-stocked central library housing over two million books and documents in countless different languages and boasts the largest online collection in Israel of electronic databases and e-publications. The library is openaccess and has multiple computers to assist faculty, students, visiting scholars and others.

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3. Please tick the areas of research (as established in Marie Sklodowska Curie Actions)				
☐ Chemistry (CHE)	⊠ Environmental Sciences and Geology (ENV)			
Social Sciences and Humanities (SOC)	□ Life Sciences (LIF)			
⊠ Economic Sciences (ECO)				
☑ Information Science and Engineering (ENG)	☐ Physics (PHY)			

4. Research / Project Description

The University of Haifa currently has over 40 funding projects under FP7 and Horizon2020, and maintains more than 100 international agreements with universities in the EU and elsewhere in the world. The Research Authority will ensure communication between EU and HU, guarantee budgetary compliance and provide grants management, all essential components for execution of a successful study.

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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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