

Call for proposals

“Support for the development of AgreenSkills+ fellows transversal skills”

Guidelines for applicants

Dear AgreenSkills+ Fellows and Alumni,

Taking into account the AgreenSkills fellows feedbacks and comments during annual meetings and different interactions with the Scientific and Steering committees, the coordinators decided to consider the possibility of financing non-scientific training courses on the basis of personal requests from either current Fellows or Alumni of AgreenSkills+ programme.

As an excellence-oriented mobility programme, AgreenSkills+ aims to provide a well-rounded and structured experience to its fellows. This is not only achieved through the research opportunity provided by the awarded mobility projects, but is also a product of AgreenSkills' keen commitment to the career development and further scientific and non-scientific training of its fellows. An important part of this support is provided by the fellow's local research campus and hosting institution(s) (see the AgreenSkills' Awarded Hosting Campus Charter).

Moreover, within the frame of its Annual meetings, AgreenSkills programme organizes thematic session with key talks and training courses that aim to provide useful tools for young researchers and generate reflection on research practices (see www.agreenskills.eu/EVENTS-TRAINING/Annual-Meetings). These annual seminars are also a good occasion for some key talks on topics that should contribute to professional background of the fellows.

In addition, AgreenSkills+ programme has decided to support specific training requests from Fellows by helping them financially in the cost of courses that would contribute to develop their non-scientific skills.

Principles, process and schedule of the call.

Eligibility

The call is open to AgreenSkills+ Fellows.

AgreenSkills+ previous incoming and outgoing fellows (Alumni), whose fellowship contract has recently ended and who did not get the possibility to apply to the call during the period of their AgSk+ fellowship, may also apply to the call.

Scope:

- Project management skills,
- Communication skills,
- Grant preparation, writing proposal,
- Open Access, publication strategy,
- Open Data, DMP,
- Other non-scientific skills

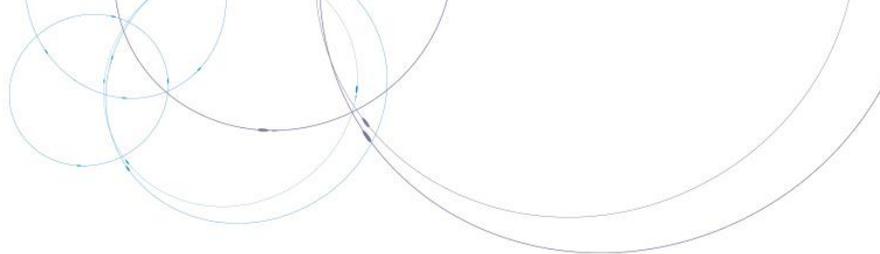
Location

The courses may be held either in France or in a foreign institution abroad (even for the incoming fellows currently hosted in France).

What can be expected from AgreenSkills+ programme?

Financing of all or part of the overall cost of training (travel, accommodation, training courses) may be requested. Partial funding will most often be granted.

In the case of Fellows hosted in INRA laboratories, it is recalled that financial support may be requested from the Institute's "Formation permanente", through your HR local contact.



Call schedule and modalities for the submission of proposals

The call is open all year long. It will be closed at the end of the AgreenSkills+ programme (end of April 2019) or before depending on financial resources availability in the programme. Applications will be assessed and decisions for funding will be taken by AgreenSkills continuously. It is strongly recommended to send your request at least one month before the dates of the training courses.

The application form must be sent to AgreenSkills+ programme-management
Email address: programme-management@agreenskills.eu
with a clear subject "AgSk+ training course application" and copy to the scientific mentor mentioned on your request.

Email explanation of the call will be deliberately limited to the bare necessities. Only complete and detailed applications, following the above (and attached) template, will be analysed and eventually considered for funding.

The application template is very short and simple but must be very clearly and carefully filled. The fellows are requested to take time to reflect and define their training needs to be more competitive and to establish their training project. This training project and the request for financial support will have to be precisely defined and should be discussed with your scientific mentor and hosting unit. Training courses opportunities may be searched for and identified with the help of your HR contact at your hosting campus, which may also contribute to the training fees.

Evaluation and results

A simple receipt reply email will be returned by AgreenSkills team regarding the eligibility and the completeness of the application.

The applications will be assessed monthly by the AgreenSkills management team with the eventual involvement of the Scientific committee and the Steering committee.

Evaluation results and decision of funding will be returned within a month by email to the fellow, copy to the scientific mentor and hosting unit.

Evaluation criteria

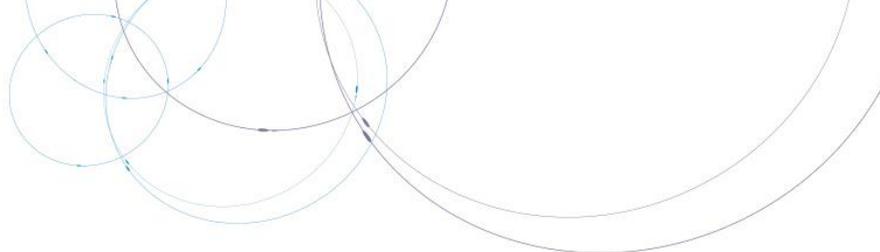
- The relevance of this request to the AgreenSkills+ program purposes,
- The added value for the Fellow (or Alumni),
- The feasibility in terms of duration and schedule,
- The cost and budget planning.

Commitments of the fellow in case of success to the call and funding from AgreenSkills+

By accepting a financial support from AgreenSkills+, the Fellow commits to take the course.

- He/she will have to send a certificate of registration and / or attendance to the training.
- After attending the courses, he/she will have to send a short personal feedback with his/her appraisal of the interest, quality and relevance of the training courses. This feedback will allow to appreciate the effect of the call and to build up a list of potential resources for training.

Programme Management Team
programme-management@agreenskills.eu



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Application template

Fellow’s Identification																					
Application ID	<i>This is the AgSk+ application identification number which is the number automatically provided by the online application system when you submitted your project proposal.</i>																				
Fellow’s (Alumni) full name and Email	<i>First name /Family name</i>																				
Fellowship starting and end dates	<i>Dates mentioned in your AgSk job contracts (incoming fellow) or travel dates (outgoing fellow)</i>																				
Hosting unit	<i>Full official name and postal address</i>																				
Scientific mentor full name and Email	<i>First name /Family name and Email address</i>																				
Courses - features																					
Title - scope	<i>Full official name and key word giving the target and the content of the training course</i>																				
Expected dates and duration	<i>Official dates of the training course</i>																				
Location (country, city)																					
Training course website (url),																					
Competitive process for registration	<i>Yes/no and details on the process if Yes</i>																				
Content of the training	<i>Detailed contents and organization of the identified course (it is recommended to add documents).</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Target of the training course - Institution and company organizers - Lecturers and training providers - Evaluation process ... - Content per day 																				
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