

Widening Country Inspiration Story

“Follow the guidelines of the European Commission.”

Organisation name: Gazi University (GU)/ Additive Manufacturing Technology Application and Research Center (EKTAM)
Organisation type: Higher education organisation
Country: Türkiye
Project Acronym: A2M2TECH
Project start and end date: 1.06.2021 – 31.05.2026
Type of MSC action, Horizon 2020: COFUND
Is your organisation a coordinator? Yes



What is your project about?

The aim of A2M2TECH is to deliver an interdisciplinary, intersectoral and international excellent doctoral training programme in all aspects of Advanced Materials and Advanced Manufacturing, with a major focus on additive manufacturing and related technologies. Additive Manufacturing and Advanced Materials play a leading and critical role in various branches of science, such as materials, advanced manufacturing methodologies, and digitalisation techniques for rapid production and certification.

Why is your project important for society?

By virtue of the Advanced Materials and Advanced Manufacturing technologies, it would be possible to shape the product optimally, leading to customised element(s) for society. By doing so, the green deal expectations and digitalisation of the manufacturing for certified products are met more easily.

What communication and public engagement measures have you foreseen?

Through the A2M2TECH project, the social media tools (such as Website, LinkedIn, Twitter, Instagram & Facebook) are widely used to spread out the research outcomes, which might be handy for the public needs/ interests. After sharing the results obtained within the project's scope with society, measures will be the development of interest and interaction.

What kind of support did you get?

The NCP team in Türkiye was extremely helpful during the preparation stage of the project proposal in the following ways:

- 1) Two online meetings have been organised prior to the application stage, with the participation of mentors from the international community,
- 2) The scope of the COFUND programme, along with the key issues of the evaluation process, were well-defined,

3) Full financial support was provided to receive professional services from companies abroad,

4) A letter of commitment was provided for the full coverage of the co-financing.

During the application process, the guidelines available on the Funding and Tender Opportunities Portal were widely utilised.

Do you have other successful projects under Horizon 2020/ Horizon Europe?

Yes.

What in your experience helped you to succeed?

By participating in another MSCA programme, we were already familiar with the details of the COFUND scheme.

How did you attract resources for the co-funding of your project?

The NCP of Türkiye encouraged the research universities to apply to the COFUND programme by committing to co-funding on behalf of the applying institution(s).

What tips can you give other organisations that would like to apply for MSCA?

Follow the guidelines of the European Commission and prepare the group to work in a collaborative way.

More information on the project:



innovative trainings and career developments.

The MSCA COFUND aims to stimulate regional, national or international programmes to foster excellence in researchers' training, mobility and career development, spreading the best practices of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions.

The MSCA-NET project is the MSCA NCP project to facilitate the transnational cooperation to achieve a consistent and harmonised level of NCP support. The scientific community can also profit from our project to support their MSCA application.



The Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) support researchers at all stage of their career across all disciplines. The MSCA also support cooperation between industry and academia and provide