repeated until the number of laureates indicated in the call confirm their participation in the program or the end of the ranked list is reached.

- This procedure allows to focus on the excellence of the candidates first, and on the adequation with the PhD project they apply to.

Artificial intelligence for the Sciences has embraced the MSCA principles.

The project will aim to foster excellence in the training, mobility and career development of researchers. It will have a very high level of requirement in terms of transparency in the selection, recruitment and career management of the young doctorates. It will offer attractive working conditions and promote gender equity and inclusiveness in the pursuit of excellence. It will include public actions and aims to inform the public about the societal challenges of research.

AI4theSciences will promote the "3i" rule, with interdisciplinary, international, and intersectoral (linked to the non-academic sector)

How many PhD grant will be awarded in the second year?

For September 2022, 11 PhD grants will be awarded, following 2 rounds of selection (first via a written application and then an interview) taking place from February to March 2022, and following the publication of the unique ranking list of candidates. It is therefore the excellence of candidates, an essential Horizon 2020-MSCA principle, that will make possible to select the 11 thesis projects out of those proposed. 15 PhD grants were awarded in 2021. The full list can be found on the Cofund program webpage.

Is it possible to apply for more than one thesis project in the AI4theSciences program?

No, PhD candidates can only apply to one PhD project, among those listed in the program. Any multiple applications from the same candidate means an automatic ineligibility and exclusion from the selection process.

Can I apply if I am not an AI or mass data processing specialist?

Absolutely. In your application, you are asked to highlight your ability to be trained in AI or mass data processing techniques, and to detail your motivations. PhD students will receive at the very beginning of the 2022 academic year a dedicated introductory training on artificial intelligence and massive data processing techniques. This training is intended to give students from all disciplines the same knowledge on AI / massive data processing, and to give them the means to succeed in their dissertation.
During the thesis, a seminar will then be organized every week to allow students to improve their knowledge and to communicate about their work, especially on the technical difficulties encountered.

What are the selection criteria for the 1st pre-selection round?

The round 1 of pre-selection is based on 3 criteria:
* Academic excellence (60% of the notation): background, Academic records, Honors, Letters.967 Honors,

Can I apply if I obtain my maWLEY degree in September 2022?

Yes, students who will have their master's degree in June 2022 will be able to apply and start their thes

To whom it may concern,

hereby certify that I apply for a PhD project of the AI4theSciences programme, after having taken into knowledge and accepted the following:

- Being available to participate to auditions (round 2) and to start the training programme in France, at the beginning of September 2022.

- R   and conflicts of interest principles.

- Being committed to Horizon 2020 principles and ethical expectations.

Kind regards,

Date:

Signature

For any additional information and to submit final application, candidates are invited to write to the AI4theSciences team PSL: ai-for-the-sciences_team@psl.eu

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