



H2020 Marie Skłodowska Curie - PhD Offer – Job position

### LIVE-I

Lightening and Innovating transmission for improving Vehicle: Environmental Impacts

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### ESR 1: Materials optimisation of lightweight gear transmission components

#### Joint PhD between University of Naples (Italy) and Vibratec (France)

About H2020 Marie Skłodowska Curie program:

The H2020 Marie Skłodowska Curie program is European Union funded programme for structuring researcher training, mobility and career development. The program targets are: Prestigious career opportunities, Excellent working conditions: employment contracts, full social security etc, Very competitive salaries.

About LIVE-I MSc Project:

Figure 1. Multi-scale treatments of noise and vibration induced effects for lightweight gearbox design;



For several decades, vehicles have seen their weight increase to meet more demanding requirements of safety and comfort. At the present time, manufacturers need drastically reduce the energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions without sacrificing any safety or comfort. Each vehicle element must be considered for weight reduction. In this regard, gear transmissions are a first choice candidate. LIVE-I project main objective is to achieve breakthrough technological progress in the design of lightweight gear transmission and to build an innovative training network in order to educate early stage researchers in this hot topic. ([LIVE-I project website](#))

**Keywords:** Greenhouse reductions, Lightweight constructions, Gear transmissions, Noise and Vibration Harshness, Efficiency, Knowledge based design, Robust design, Digital twins, Metamaterials, Smart systems.



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### Description of the PhD workplan:

**Objectives:** The main goal of this ESR is the definition of the best procedures to reduce weight of transmission components (gears, shafts and bearings) using new lightweight materials. The use of composite materials of different properties will be addressed among other possible materials. The impacts of the material properties on the NVH and efficiency aspects of the transmission will be completely considered. The transmission error behaviour when lightweight materials are used is one important property. The associated whining noise will be assessed in order to proceed with the optimisation. The research will have to deal with numerical methods and parametric survey analysis. The inputs needed for this ESR are: industrial and manufacturing constraints of the standard gearbox geometries and characteristics. Finite Element Method models of existing gearboxes will be used for optimization.

### General informations and position requirements:

36 months funding for early-stage researchers only. The MSCA is a researcher mobility programme. You are therefore required to undertake transnational mobility in order to be eligible for recruitment. As such, Applicants must not have resided or carried out your main activity (e.g. work, studies) in **Italy** for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately before the recruitment date ([Link1](#)). Recruited researchers will be hired by the academic beneficiary and must spend at least 50% of their recruitment period with the industrial beneficiary.

### Requirements for applicants are:

- Excellent track record,
- Fluent English (written, verbal),
- Analytical skills and outstanding problems solving abilities,
- Passion for science and technology, motivation to undertake transnational mobility,
- Solid background in Mechanical Engineering, Mathematics, Acoustics and Material Science.

### Benefits for the researcher:

- Prestigious PhD programme (Marie-Curie) including a very competitive salary,
- Work with renowned research scientists and industrial experts,
- Be exposed to multiple sectors (research labs, industry, start-ups/SMEs),
- Receive intensive training on a broad set of career-enabling skills (i.e. scientific, personal, communication, entrepreneurship, ...),
- Benefit from a 3-years immersion in an industry-oriented research environment with excellent career opportunities in both public and private sectors.

Application deadline: May 31, 2020 ; Expected starting date: October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020

**Please visit the “Call for applicants” tab on the [LIVE-I project website](#) for the online application form and more information.**

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