

# Breaking The Wall of Plant Politics - Harihar Jaishree Subrahmaniam

**Harihar Jaishree Subrahmaniam is one of the fifteen MSCA fellows who will participate in the Falling Walls Lab competition.**

Jaishree is a joint MSCA fellow at the EcoScience, Chemistry and **Molecular Biology units** at Aarhus University (Denmark). Her PhD at **INRAE** (France) focused on understanding whether **altruism and cooperation**, the abilities to help one another, **exist in plants**. She believes that the biggest benefit that comes from our evolution is the ability to **help one another**.

Hence, along with pursuing her love for **understanding plant lives**, she is also a passionate mentor for young girls and women to help them find fulfilling STEM careers. She also founded a **mental health support initiative** for researchers all over the world to help them in their research career. Recently, she was nominated to **chair the science policy group** at MCAA (Marie Curie Alumni Association) and act as an external policy advisor and board member for **the Initiative for Science** in Europe.

