



Beyond the first ten years



Happy Anniversary ERC

Italy, Milan, 28th March

#ERC10yrs

"Everybody knows that some things are simply impossible until somebody, who doesn't know that, makes them possible."
– A. Einstein



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Take-home message



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Sole evaluation criterion: **scientific excellence** of researcher and research proposal

**Research
proposal**



Scientist

Starting Grants

2-7 years after PhD prior to 1 January 2018
(at least one important publication without
the PhD Supervisor)

Up to € 1,5 + 0,5 Mio for 5 years

Consolidator Grants

7-12 years after PhD prior to 1 January 2018
(several important publications)

Up to € 2 + 0,75 Mio for 5 years

Advanced Grants

track-record of significant research
achievements in the last 10 years

Up to € 2,5 + 1 Mio for 5 years

Call opens in
July 2017
Deadline mid
October 2017



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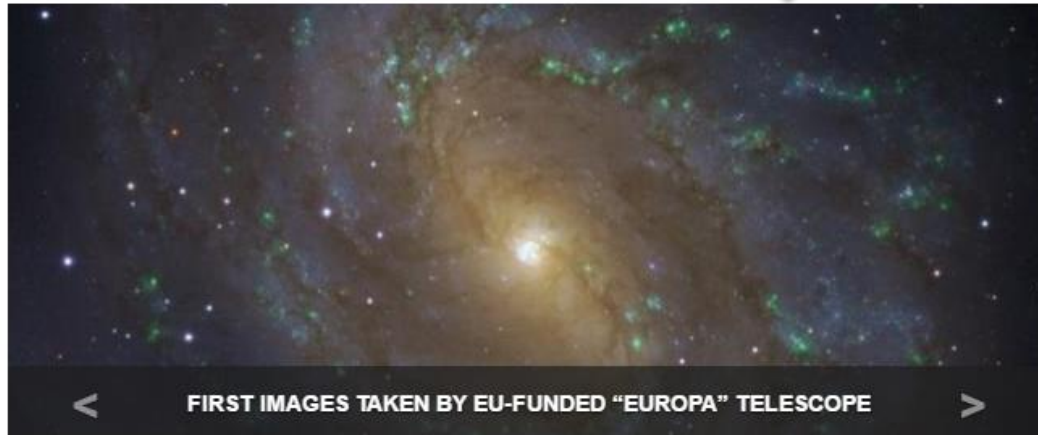
Call opens in October 2017
Deadline mid February 2018

Call opens on 16 May 2017
Deadline 31 August 2017
Budget million ~ EUR 540
Estimated grants 235



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Search ...



OPEN CALLS

Proof of concept | [ERC-2017-PoC](#)

[Information for applicants](#)

[FAQ](#)

Deadlines: 25-04-2017 | 05-09-2017

The official deadlines are only those indicated on the [Participant Portal](#)

NEWS

21-03-2017

ERC 10th anniversary: Follow the event live via webstreaming

13-03-2017

"Start of ERC week" : 140 events to celebrate 10 years of ERC

21-03-2017

First images by EU-funded "Europa" telescope

10-03-2017

In memoriam – Anna Tramontano

EVENTS

20-04-2017

[ERC in Eastern Partnership with Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldavia, Ukraine](#)

23-04-2017

[European Geosciences Union \(EGU\) General Assembly 2017](#)

> MORE



ERC FUNDED PROJECTS

The ERC operates according to a "curiosity-driven", or "bottom-up", approach, allowing researchers to identify new opportunities in any field of research. Accordingly the portfolio ERC funded projects spans a wide range of topics and research questions.

Since 2007, more than 7,000 projects have been selected to receive ERC funding throughout the EU Member States and the associated countries. The ERC has received over 65,000 project proposals for its calls.

Use the search facility to quickly and easily find examples of ERC funded projects.

How can you search?

Projects can be filtered according to funding scheme, call year, research area (panel/domain) and/or country of host institution.

You can also use the search box and enter free text words, for instance names of universities or principal investigators.

SEARCH

Apply

FILTER BY FUNDING SCHEME:

- [Starting Grant \(StG\) \(3373\)](#)
- [Advanced Grant \(AdG\) \(2178\)](#)
- [Consolidator Grant \(CoG\) \(1091\)](#)
- [Proof of Concept \(PoC\) \(525\)](#)
- [Synergy Grants \(SyG\) \(24\)](#)

FILTER BY CALL YEAR:

Parts of an ERC Proposal

Title and Acronym

Part A Administrative Forms

Abstract 1 page

Part B1 5 pages + CV (2 pages) + Track-record (2 pages)

Part B2 15 pages (including budget)

Who evaluate the proposals?

Panel Structure: 3 Domains and 25 panels

**-Life Sciences
(LS 1 - LS 9)**

**-Social Sciences and Humanities
(SH 1 – SH 6)**

**-Physical Sciences & Engineering
(PE 1-PE 10)**

Panel members:

- ✓ Top-level scientists from all over the world
- ✓ Panel Chair + 10/15 Panel Members



Extra referees: same appointment methods as peer reviews journals (only in STEP 2)

Evaluation procedures

STEP 1 - PANEL

PROPOSAL – B1

Remote assessment by Panel members (indiv. markings)

B1 – Extended synopsis and PI (CV+Track record)

PANEL MEETING
(Ranking by panel)

Disregarded
with ranking
(B or C)

Proposals retained
for step 2

STEP 2 – PANEL + EXTERNAL

PROPOSAL – B1 + B2

Remote assessment by Panel members (indiv. markings)

B1+B2

EXTRA REFEREES (remote evaluation)

PANEL MEETING (+ **interview** for Starting and Consolidator Applicants)
(Ranking by panel)

FINAL RANKING

Disregarded
with ranking B

Top ranked proposal (A) selected for potential funding

Feedback to applicants

Proposal

B1

B2

Eligibility check by ERCEA

How the evaluators read the proposal

- ✓ They first read **title** and **abstract**
- ✓ The abstract already decides if they are interested in reading more
- ✓ The second thing they read is the **publication list**
- ✓ They often flip through the pages. This means: your proposal needs to be **well structured**. Important part of your proposal should be **eye-catching**.
- ✓ They have many proposals to read. They **have never enough time**. Make their work easier in presenting them a **nice proposal!**
- ✓ The following criteria **are not used**: nationality, gender and age



Officina H2020 can:

- Help you filling in the **administrative forms**;
- Provide you with specific **guidelines**;
- **Read** and **comment** your proposal (at different stages);
- Help you, if you are invited for the **interview** in Bruxelles.

You need to:

- Get in touch **well in advance**
- **Focus** on this time consuming challenge





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Any questions



... and **Thank You** for your attention