

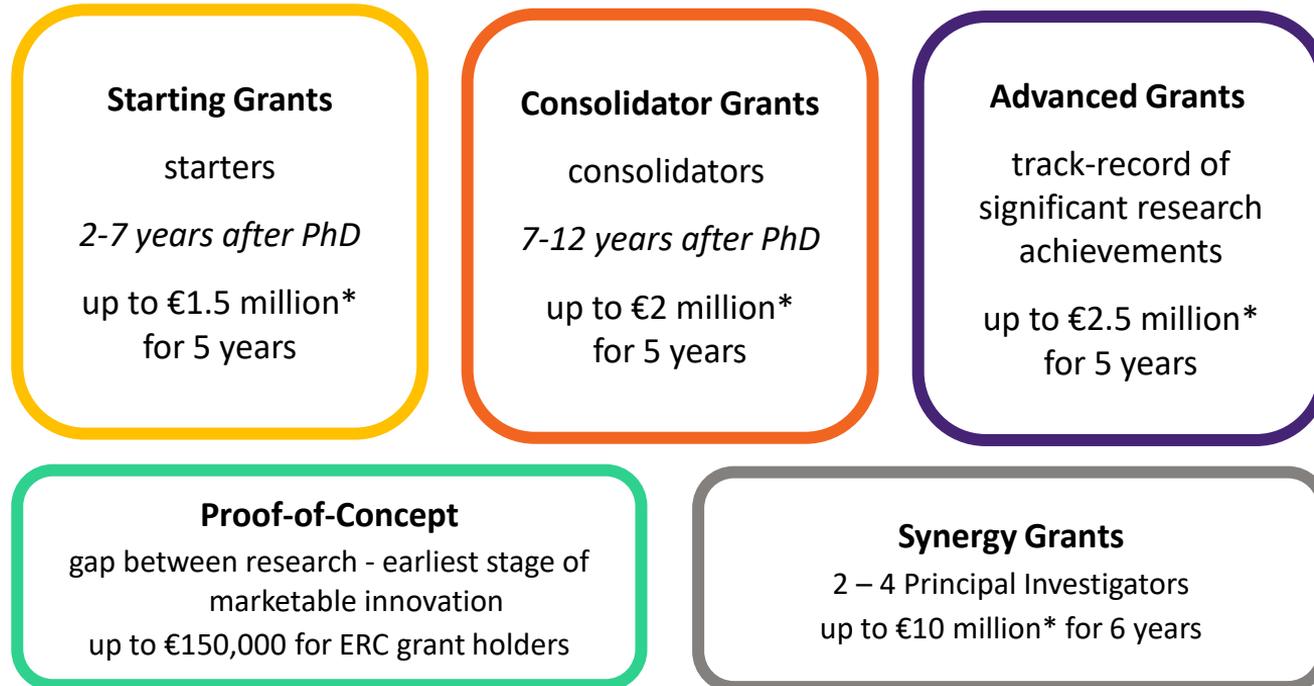


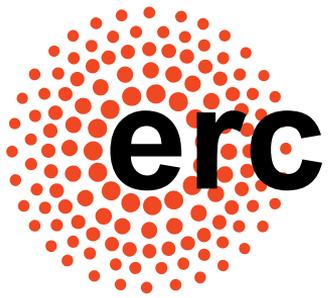
SHORT INTRO TO ERC GRANTS

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ERC GRANT SCHEMES

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ERC GRANTS

AIMS AND PRINCIPLES

- **Starting and Consolidator grants** aim to support researchers who are looking to set up or consolidate their own independent research team or programme.
- **Advanced grants** target established research leaders.
- **Synergy grants** support a small group of two to four Principal Investigators to jointly address ambitious research problems that could not be addressed by the individual Principal Investigators and their teams working alone.
- The ERC Proof of Concept Grants aim to facilitate exploration of the commercial and social innovation potential of ERC funded research
- Research proposals must be **groundbreaking**, ambitious, but feasible
- **Scientific excellence is the sole criterion** on the basis of which ERC frontier research grants are awarded
- Applications can be made in any field of research
- Excellent investigators can apply for funding to carry out their frontier research projects (together with their teams) in an EU Member state or Associated country
- Applicants can be of any nationality

ELIGIBILITY EXTENSIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

- Extensions:
 - For maternity, the track record considered can be extended by **18 months**, or **if longer** by the amount of **leave actually taken** until the call deadline, for each child born before or after PhD.
 - For paternity leave, the track record considered can be extended by the amount of paternity **leave actually taken** until the call deadline for each child born before or after PhD.
 - For long-term illness, clinical qualification or national service the track record considered can be extended by the amount of leave actually taken for each incident which occurred after PhD.
- Restrictions: researchers who have applied in previous years and received a B or C score

APPLICATION FORMS

- Part A of the proposal (administrative forms):
 - General information, incl abstract and panel
 - Administrative data on the participating organisations
 - Data on the PI
 - Budget and explanation on the use of resources
 - Ethics and security issues table and explanations
 - Additional questions
- Part B of the proposal:
 - B1:
 - a) 5 p Extended Synopsis
 - b) 2 p CV of the PI
 - c) 2 p track record incl publications
 - B2: 14 p Scientific proposal
 - a) State of the art and objectives
 - b) Methodology
- Additional documents:
 - Host Institution confirmation letter
 - Other documents (if needed)

ERC PANELS

Life Sciences

- **LS1** Molecules of Life: Biological Mechanisms, Structures and Functions
- **LS2** Integrative Biology: From Genes and Genomes to Systems
- **LS3** Cellular, Developmental and Regenerative Biology
- **LS4** Physiology in Health, Disease and Ageing
- **LS5** Neuroscience and Disorders of the Nervous System
- **LS6** Immunity, Infection and Immunotherapy
- **LS7** Prevention, Diagnosis and Treatment of Human Diseases
- **LS8** Environmental Biology, Ecology and Evolution
- **LS9** Biotechnology and Biosystems Engineering

Each panel has a Chair and 12-16 members

Social Sciences and Humanities

- **SH1** Individuals, Markets and Organisations
- **SH2** Institutions, Governance and Legal Systems
- **SH3** The Social World and its Diversity
- **SH4** The Human Mind and Its Complexity
- **SH5** Cultures and Cultural Production
- **SH6** The Study of the Human Past
- **SH7** Human Mobility, Environment, and Space

Physical Sciences & Engineering

- **PE1** Mathematics
- **PE2** Fundamental Constituents of Matter
- **PE3** Condensed Matter Physics
- **PE4** Physical & Analytical Chemical Sciences
- **PE5** Synthetic Chemistry and Materials
- **PE6** Computer Science & Informatics
- **PE7** Systems & Communication Engineering
- **PE8** Products & Process Engineering
- **PE9** Universe Sciences
- **PE10** Earth System Science
- **PE11** Materials Engineering

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