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Horizon 2020

Apoiar a UE a tornar-se líder mundial em ciência

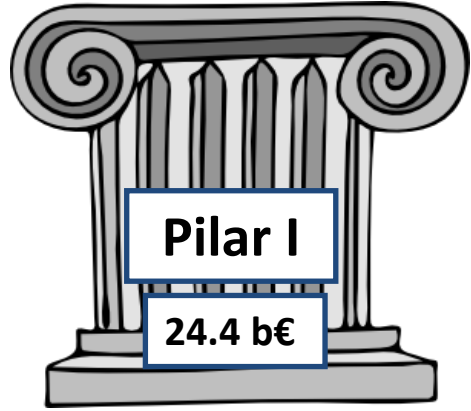
Fortalecer a liderança industrial em inovação

Abordar as principais preocupações partilhadas por todos os europeus

Excelência Científica

Liderança Industrial

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Supporting top researchers from anywhere in the world

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EIT 2,7 B€

JCR 1,9 B€

EURATOM 1,6 B€



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European Research Council (ERC) Grants: A success story

- ✓ **Highly recognized by the research community**
- ✓ **Over 5000 top researchers funded (celebration on 16 Jun)**
- ✓ **Growing number of articles in scientific journals and prizes**
- ✓ **Highly competitive (success rate ~10%)**
- ✓ **Efficient and fast grant management**
- ✓ **Eleven Nobel Prize Laureates**



ERC Grants – Work Programme 2016

Starting Grants

(2-7 years after PhD)
up to € 2.0 Mio
for 5 years

Call fechada!

Consolidator Grants

(7-12 years after PhD)
up to € 2.75 Mio
for 5 years

Advanced Grants

significant research
Achievements (last 10 Y)
up to € 3.5 Mio
for 5 years

Eligibility in WP 2016...

-Time reference: January 2016

-Extensions

- Maternity (18 Months) and Paternity (documented number of days)
- Long-term illness (90 days), clinical training or national service



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- ✓ **The PI may be of any age and nationality**
 - ✓ Research must be conducted in a **public or private** research organization (Host Institution/HI) **located in one of the EU Member States or Associate Countries**
- ✓ **Portability**
- ✓ **Research teams: PI + additional team members (6 members average)**
 - ✓ it is neither a network, nor a 'research consortium'

ERC Grants – What research can be funded?

Any field of research

But ERC expects...

- ✓ Proposals of an interdisciplinary nature
- ✓ Pioneering proposals addressing new and emerging fields of research
- ✓ Proposals introducing unconventional, innovative approaches and scientific inventions
- ✓ Research with a high-gain/high-risk pioneering projects



**ground-breaking but
feasible approach**



Starting Grants (StG)

- ✓ Up to **€ 1.5 million** (in some circumstances up to € 2 million) (100% direct costs + 25% indirect costs)
- ✓ PIs expected to spend a minimum **50%** of their total working time on the ERC project and a minimum of **50%** of their total working time **in an EU Member State or Associated Country**



Starting Grants (StG)

the PI must...

- Have shown the **potential for research independence** and evidence of maturity - **at least one** important publication **without** the participation of their PhD supervisor
- Promising **track-record of early achievements** appropriate to their research field and career stage (eg. Up to 5 publications major international peer-reviewed multi-disciplinary scientific journals and/or in the leading international peer-reviewed journals, peer-reviewed conferences proceedings and/or monographs)



Consolidator Grant (CoG)

- ✓ Up to **€ 2 million** (in some circumstances up to € 2.75 million) (100% direct costs + 25% indirect costs)
- ✓ PIs expected to spend a minimum **50%** of their total working time on the ERC project and a minimum of **50%** of their total working time **in an EU Member State or Associated Country**



Consolidator Grant (CoG)

the PI must...

- ✓ Have shown research Independence and evidence of research maturity. e.g.: **several** important publications without the participation of their PhD supervisor
- ✓ Promising **track-record of early achievements** appropriate to their research field and career stage (eg. Up to 10 publications in major international peer-reviewed multi-disciplinary scientific journals and/or in the leading international peer-reviewed journals, peer-reviewed conferences proceedings and/or monographs)



Advanced Grant (AdG)

- ✓ Up to **€ 2.5 million per grant** (in some circumstances up to € 3.5 million per grant)(100% direct costs + 25% indirect costs)
- ✓ PIs expected to spend a **minimum 30%** of their total **working time** on the ERC project and a minimum of **50%** of their total working time in an EU Member State or Associated Country



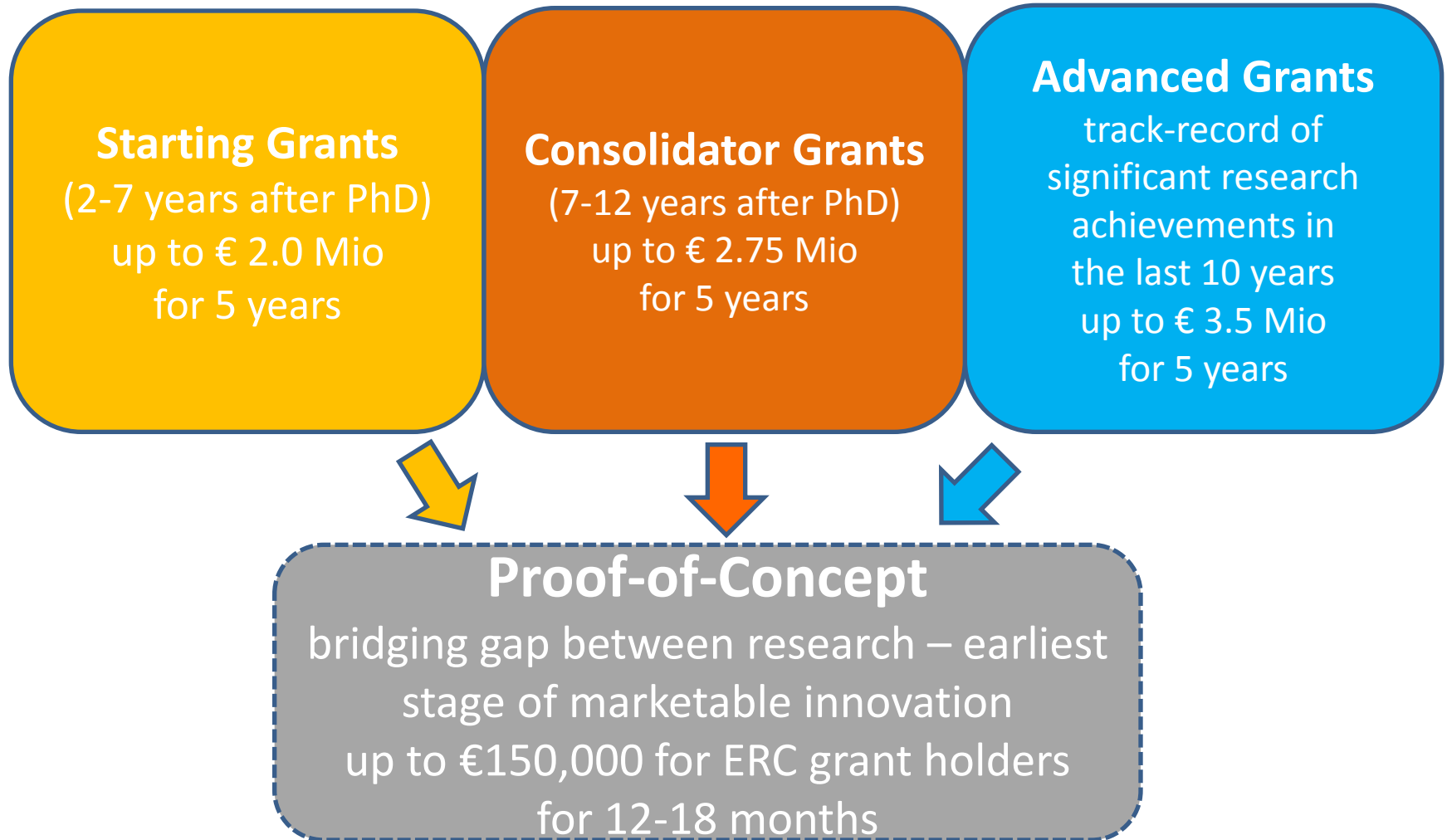
Advanced Grants (AdG)

the PI must...

- ✓ Be scientifically independent and have a recent research track-record and profile (last 10 years) which identifies them **as leaders in their respective field(s) of research**
- ✓ **10 years Track-record of early achievements** (eg. Up to ten representative publications, as main author (or joint author) in major international peer-reviewed multi-disciplinary scientific journals and/or in the leading international peer-reviewed journals and peer-reviewed conferences proceedings of their respective research fields, also indicating the number of citations (excluding self-citations) they have attracted)



Proof of Concept (PoC) - funding further work & innovation



Calls & Deadlines

	<i>Consolidator Grant</i>	<i>Advanced Grant</i>	<i>Proof of Concept Grant</i>
<i>Call identifier</i>	ERC-2016-CoG	ERC-2016-AdG	ERC-2016-PoC
<i>Call Opens</i>	15 October 2015	24 May 2016	22 October 2015
<i>Deadline</i>	2 February 2016	1 September 2016	16 February 2016 26 May 2016 4 October 2016
<i>Budget million EUR (estimated grants)</i>	630 (355)	540 (240)	20 (130)
<i>Planned dates to inform applicants</i>	1 July 2016 1 December 2016	16 January 2017 16 March 2017	16 May 2016 13 October 2016 17 January 2017
<i>Indicative date for signature of grant agreements</i>	1 April 2017	16 July 2017	12 September 2016 14 February 2017 15 May 2017



Restrictions to Submission

- ✓ PIs may submit proposals to different ERC grant calls under the same WP, but only the first eligible proposal will be evaluated;
- ✓ A PI whose proposal was evaluated as **category C** in the StG, CoG or AdG calls for proposals under WP 2014 or 2015 may not submit a proposal WP 2016;
- ✓ A PI whose proposal was evaluated as **category B at step 2** in the StG, CoG or AdG calls for proposals under WP 2015 may submit a proposal WP 2016;
- ✓ A PI whose proposal was evaluated as **category B at step 1** in the StG, CoG or AdG calls for proposals under WP 2015 may not submit a proposal WP 2016;
- ✓ New restrictions on applications to PI whose proposals have been rejected on grounds of breach of research integrity

New

New



Restrictions to Submission

- A researcher may participate as PI in **only one ERC frontier research project at any one time**;
- The **PI of an ERC project** may not submit a proposal for another ERC grant, unless the existing project ends no more than two years after the call deadline;
- A PI who is **Panel Member for a 2016 ERC call** or who served as a Panel Member for a 2014 ERC call may not apply to a 2016 ERC call for the same type of grant.



ERC Grants - Before you apply ask yourself...

- Does my idea fit ERC?
- Is this the right time to apply?
- Do I have the time to build a strong, competitive proposal?
- Who can help me?



(GPPQ can help you answer these questions...and we can also support you throughout the process...)



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ERC Grants

Yes, I want to apply!
But now what?



ERC Grants – Prepare your proposal

- ✓ Get informed!
- ✓ Understand how evaluation works
- ✓ Prepare your proposal in advance:
- ✓ Make your writing clear and reader-friendly
- ✓ Write a strong abstract
- ✓ Know your budget...
- ✓ Get a strong and balanced B1
- ✓ Ask your colleagues/friends to read your proposal
- ✓ Ask us at GPPQ to read your proposal!



**(We like reading proposals!
And sometimes we even
make useful comments!!)**



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In case you need more information...

European Research Council (ERC)

<http://erc.europa.eu>

To subscribe to ERC newsletter and news alerts

<http://erc.europa.eu/keep-updated-erc>

Participant Portal

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/desktop/en/home.html>

Or contact us at GPPQ!



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