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Overview of ERC individual grants

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Why apply for an ERC grant?

ERC offers independence, recognition & visibility to:

- work on a research topic of own choice
- gain financial autonomy for 5 years
- negotiate the best conditions of work with the host institution in an EU MS or Horizon Europe Associated countries¹
- attract excellent team members and collaborators from anywhere in the world
- move with the grant to any place in Europe if desired (“portability of grants”)
- win additional funding

1 https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/common/guidance/list-3rd-country-participation_horizon-atom_en.pdf



ERC basics



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INDIVIDUAL RESEARCHERS
FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD
**LONG TERM
GRANTS**
TO PIONEERING PROJECTS
IN ANY FIELD OF FRONTIER RESEARCH



Life Sciences



Physical Sciences and Engineering



Social Sciences and Humanities



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Starting Grants

2-7 years after PhD

up to €1.5 M

for 5 years



Consolidator Grants

7-12 years after PhD

up to €2 M

for 5 years



Advanced Grants

track-record of significant
research achievements

up to €2.5 M

for 5 years



ERC Work Programme 2025: Call Calendar

	Estimated number of grants	Call Opening	Submission Deadline	Results
Starting Grants ERC-2025-StG	483	10 July 2024	15 October 2024	August 2025
Consolidator Grants ERC-2025-CoG	354	26 September 2024	14 January 2025	December 2025
Advanced Grants ERC-2025-AdG	276	22 May 2025	28 August 2025	June 2026

- AdG 2025 only call from 2025 WP to be launched
- Call calendar 2025/26 will be known early July after publication of 2026 WP
- Timing for the calls in the 2026 WP probably very similar to the 2025 one



Some figures



Over **14,000**
top researchers funded since
the ERC creation in 2007



Over **100,000**
researchers and other professionals
employed in ERC research teams



Over **950** research institutions hosting
ERC grantees – universities, public or
private research centres in the EU or
Associated Countries



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[ERC National Contact Points](#): your first point of contact

[EU Funding & Tenders Portal](#): ERC calls are published in this portal

[Research Enquiry Service \(europa.eu\)](#): for questions regarding Horizon Europe, funding instruments available and validation process of participants



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