



News Release

**ERC Advanced Grants competition:
First winners in the domain *Physical Sciences and Engineering***

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The European Research Council announces the first successful candidates in the ERC Advanced Grants competition in the domain Physical Sciences and Engineering (PE), as endorsed by the Scientific Council. The first call for Advanced Grant proposals was announced at the end of last year with deadlines throughout the first half of 2008. The 28 February deadline for the PE domain generated 997 applications.

The peer review process in this domain ran from March to June and involved ten evaluation panels, which have selected 105 Advanced Grants candidates. A list of these first winners in this domain is available at: http://erc.europa.eu/pdf/AdG1_ListPE_2008-07-31final.pdf.

The list of the first winners in the domain of Social Sciences and Humanities will be published soon, whilst lists for the domain of Life Sciences and the domain of Interdisciplinary research are due in the beginning of October. The complete lists of candidates having passed the scientific excellence criterion in each domain will be made public thereafter.

Background information

Statistics on all proposals submitted to the first ERC Advanced Grant competition
http://erc.europa.eu/pdf/PressRelease_ERC_AdG1_Statistics_1.pdf

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