

Call for proposals for ERC Advanced Investigators Grant for the domain Life Sciences (LS)

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Title

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Start date: Thu, 2010-11-04

[2] Budget: € 661 400 000

Deadline: Thu, 2011-03-10

Technical Call:

Open to all fields of research

The ERC's funding schemes operate on a 'bottom-up' basis without predetermined priorities. Applications can be made in any field of research - including the social sciences and humanities - with particular emphasis on the frontiers of science, scholarship and engineering. In particular, proposals of an interdisciplinary nature which cross the boundaries between different fields of research, pioneering proposals addressing new and emerging fields of research or proposals introducing unconventional, innovative approaches and scientific inventions are encouraged, and will be assessed on the significance of their expected impact.

Open to all researchers

The ERC grants are open to researchers from any country in the world. However, the ERC-funded research should be carried out in one of the 27 EU Member States or in one of the associated countries. The ERC grants are open to researchers from both public and private institutions. Moreover, independent researchers of any age can apply. The only requirements are that for ERC Starting Grants they should normally be between two and twelve years after PhD award (see section 3.9.2) and for Advanced Grants active researchers with a track-record of significant research achievements in the last 10 years.

Scientific excellence is the sole evaluation criterion

Scientific excellence is the sole criterion on the basis of which ERC grants are awarded. The ERC's peer review evaluation process has been carefully designed to identify scientific excellence and guarantee transparency, fairness and impartiality in the treatment of proposals. The evaluation of ERC grant applications is conducted by peer review panels composed of renowned scientists and scholars selected by the ERC Scientific Council. The Panels may be assisted by referees. Each Panel is headed by a highly distinguished Panel Chair and composed of 10-14 Panel Members.

Specific Programme(s):

Ideas

Theme:

Restrictions to Participation:

Principal Investigators applying for an ERC Advanced Grant should be established research leaders who have made original and significant contributions to research. No specific eligibility criteria with respect to their academic requirements are foreseen.

- The ERC actions are open to researchers of any nationality who intend to establish and conduct their research activity in any Member State or Associated Country.
- The ERC Advanced Grant Principal Investigator (and Co-Investigator) can be of any age and nationality and he/she can reside in any country in the world at the time of the application.

As established in the ERC Work Programme 2011, rules apply to reapplications⁵ for ERC grants by individual researchers who apply as Principal Investigators or Co-Investigators:

- A Principal Investigator who served as a panel member on a panel for the Advanced Grant call 2009 may not apply to the Advanced Grant call 2011;
- Only one ERC grant managed by a Principal or Co-Investigator can be active at any time;
- A Principal or Co-Investigator may not be associated with more than one application to the ERC calls with deadlines during the same calendar year;
- A Principal Investigator who has submitted an eligible proposal to the Advanced Grant call 2010 may not apply to the Advanced Grant call 2011, unless his/her proposal was evaluated above the quality threshold at the end of step 1

Eligibility and Evaluation:

More information:

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 [documents.zip](#) ^[3]

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