



# ERC CONSOLIDATOR GRANT 2024

Starting date: 12/09/2023

End of applications: 12/12/2023

LET US KNOW BEFORE 01/12/2023

FUNDING ENTITY: European Commission

## OBJECTIVES



- To support excellent Principal Investigators (PI) at the career stage at which they may still be consolidating their own independent research team or programme.

## CRITERIA



Applications can be made in **any field of research**.  
ERC's grants operate on a "**bottom-up**" basis.

## BENEFICIARIES



ERC grants support projects carried out by an **individual researcher** who can employ researchers of any nationality as team members.

- Researchers of any nationality with **7-12 years of experience since completion of PhD (prior to 1 January 2024)**. **Cut-off dates:** Successful defence of PhD between 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2016 (inclusive).
- Eligibility** can be extended for reasons such as maternity, paternity, illness, national service, training, natural disasters, or asylum.

## CANDIDATES REQUIREMENTS



- Evidence of research independence.
- Scientific track record showing great promise and an excellent research proposal can apply: having produced **several** important publications as main author or without the participation of their PhD supervisor
- PI must demonstrate the ground-breaking nature, ambition, and feasibility of their research proposal.
- PI can be hosted by any legal entity in an EU Member State or associated country.
- Minimum time commitment:** PI must spend a 40% of their working time on the ERC project, and a 50% in a Member State or Associated Country

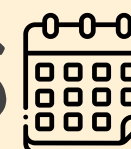
## BUDGET



The total budget is € 584 million.

- May be awarded up to **€ 2 million**.
- An additional € 1 million can be made available to cover eligible "start-up" costs for researchers moving from a third country to the EU or an associated country and/or the purchase of major equipment and/or access to large facilities and/or other major experimental and field work costs.

## PROPOSAL SCORING & THRESHOLDS



**Those proposals that do not obtain a minimum grade will not be able to be resubmitted in the next call.**

- 2022 and 2023 Call: Rejected on the grounds of a breach of research integrity.
- In 2022 call: **C at Step 1**
- In 2023 call: **A or B at Step 2 and B or C at Step 1**

A maximum of 44 proposals per panel will be assessed at step 2 of the evaluation. Moreover, a distinction in the scoring at step 1 will be made between proposals obtaining a score of A and invited to step 2 of the evaluation, and proposals obtaining a score of A but not ranked sufficiently high to be invited to step 2.

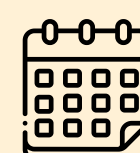
An applicant PI, whose proposal has been selected for funding and who is preparing a grant agreement under a 2023 ERC call, may not apply for the 2024 ERC call

## ELIGIBLE EXPENSES



An ERC grant can cover up to **100% of the total eligible direct costs** of the research plus a contribution of 25% of the total eligible costs towards indirect costs.

## DURATION



5 years

We have prepared a short questionnaire in order to recollect your interest

(<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfLIZASuzNbdY1CPWaSq6CsLOnHJlhmoL9TVABdGjFhucJWWA/viewform>).

If you plan to submit a proposal, do not forget to fill out the form ([https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScPpGV4\\_AxA3\\_tI8-ECCrwwGb\\_z8s6FnOFtGpnciwmGxBw4Mw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScPpGV4_AxA3_tI8-ECCrwwGb_z8s6FnOFtGpnciwmGxBw4Mw/viewform)). For any questions about the call, write to us at [preaward@cimne.upc.edu](mailto:preaward@cimne.upc.edu)