

Horizon Europe: European Research Council (ERC) Synergy Grants (SyG)

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Aims	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding of frontier research in any field of research • Funding a group of 2 to 4 researchers (and their teams) working together with complementary skills on an interdisciplinary and ground-breaking research project to tackle problems that cannot be solved by a single researcher alone
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Researchers of any nationality and age • No specific eligibility criteria regarding the academic training • Researchers with competitive achievements relative to their career stage
Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding for up to 6 years • Max. 10 million EUR (possibly + 4 million EUR for major equipment, researchers moving from Third Countries or major experimental or field work costs)
Time commitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum 30% on the ERC project and minimum 50% in an EU Member State (MS) or Horizon Europe Associated Country (AC)
Host institutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public or private research organisations located in MS or AC; one host allowed to be placed in a Third Country
Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual call for proposals • One-stage proposal submission • Online via the Funding and Tenders Portal (https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal)
Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sole criterion: scientific excellence which takes on the additional meaning of outstanding intrinsic synergetic effect • Three-stage evaluation process (peer review) • Interview at the third step of evaluation
Success rate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2023: 9%
Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publication of call (tba.): approx. July 2024 • Deadline for submission (tba.): approx. November 2024
Further information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://erc.europa.eu/apply-grant/synergy-grant • https://www.euburo.de/en/ncp-erc-synergy-grants-2451.html