Εμπειρίες από την προετοιμασία προτάσεων για χρηματοδότηση από το ERC





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My experience with the ERC

> Advanced grant

MacroAutophagy and Necrotic Neurodegeneration in Ageing (MANNA, 695190)

Advanced grant

Molecular Basis of Neuronal Ageing (NEURONAGE, 233358)

Proof of Concept grant

A Drug Discovery and Target Identification Screening Platform for Age-Associated Neurodegenerative Disorders (NeuronAgeScreen, 737599)

Panel Member & Remote Reviewer

- Member of the ERC Scientific Council
- Vice President of the ERC Scientific Council

ERC grant schemes

Starting Grants

Starters (2-7 years after PhD) up to € 1.5 Mio for 5 years

Consolidator Grants

Consolidators (7-12 years after PhD) up to € 2 Mio for 5 years

Advanced Grants

Track-record of significant research achievements in the last **10** years up to € **2.5** Mio for **5** years

Proof-of-Concept

Bridging gap between research - earliest stage of marketable innovation lump sum €150,000 for ERC grant holders

Synergy Grants (re-launched 2018)

2 – 4 Principal Investigators
up to € 10.0 Mio for 6 years
1 PI can be based outside EU/AC

Evaluation criteria



Excellence is the sole evaluation criterion

Excellence of the Research Project

- Ground breaking nature
- Potential impact
- Scientific approach

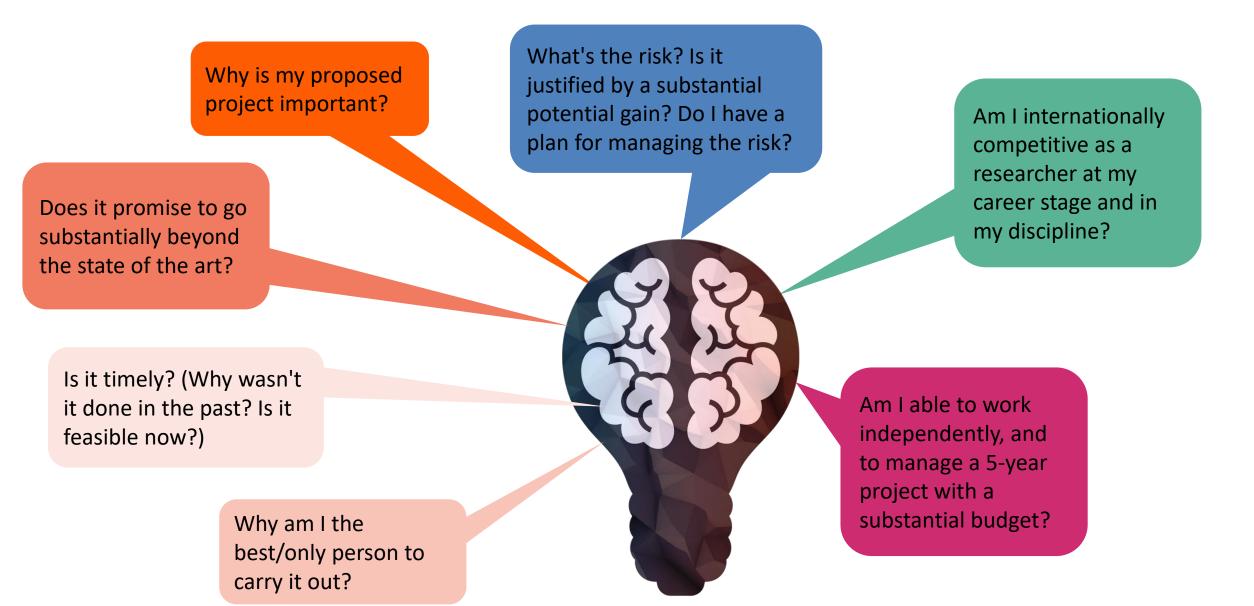
Excellence of the Principal Investigator

- Intellectual capacity
- Creativity
- Commitment



- Have a bright, original and exciting idea
- Check that you are eligible
- ✓ Design a research project to implement the idea
- Get a letter of support from a Host Institution where the project is to be carried out (the HI must be located in the EU or any of the associated countries)
- Write your research proposal
- Fully electronic/web-based submission system
- ✓ **Submit** your research proposal **before the deadline**

Preparing an application: Questions to ask yourself as an applicant



Preparing an application: Hints and tips (generalities)

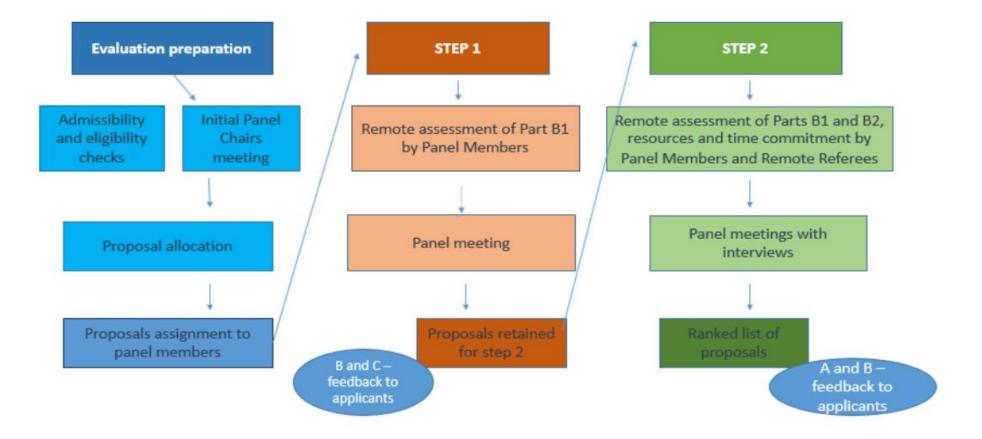
Use the **help tools and call documents** (Information for Applicants, Work Programme, Frequently asked questions)

Talk to the National Contact Points and your Institution's grant office

Register early, get familiar with the system and templates and start filling in the forms.

A submitted proposal can be **revised until the call deadline** by submitting a new version and overwriting the previous one.

ERC evaluation process (StG/CoG/AdG)



Submission of proposals

Part B1 vs. Part B2



Panel members see only Part B1 of your proposal

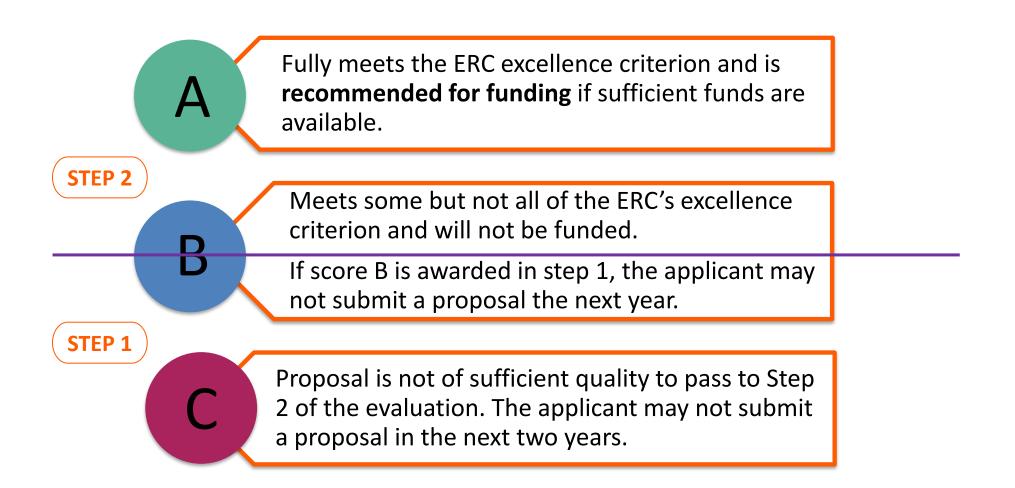
- Concise and clear presentation is crucial (evaluators are not necessarily all experts in the field)
- Pay particular attention to the ground-breaking nature of the research project.
- Know your competitors what is the state of play and why is your idea and scientific approach outstanding?
- > Outline of the **methodological approach** (feasibility)
- Show your scientific independence in your CV

STEP 2

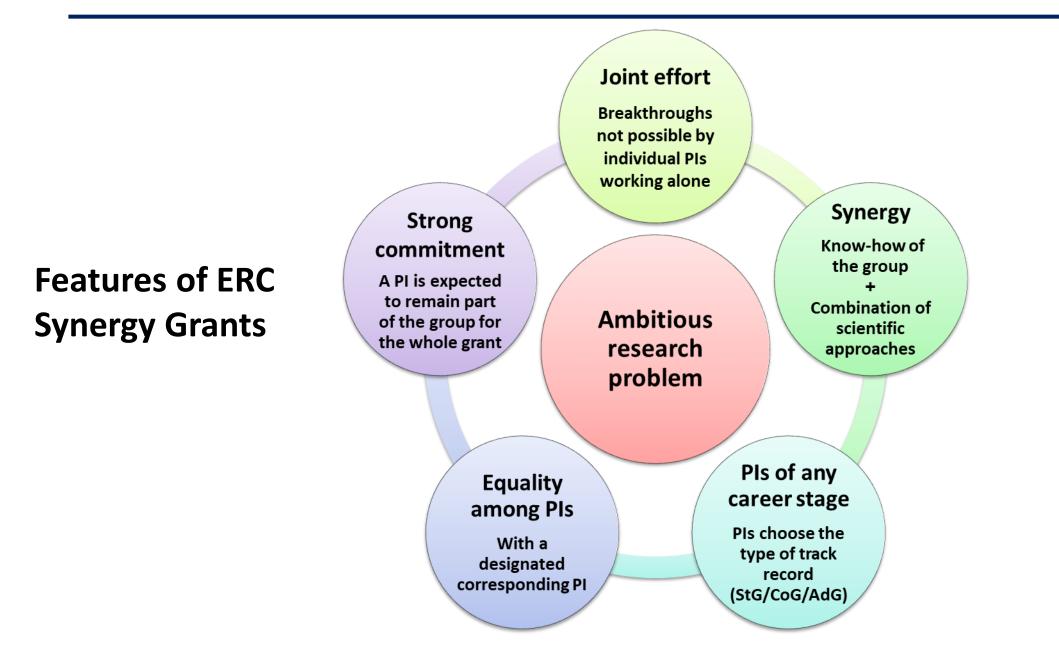
Assessment of Part B1 and B2

- Do not just repeat the synopsis
- Provide sufficient detail on methodology, work plan, selected case studies, etc.
- Check coherency of figures, justify requested resources
- > Explain **involvement of team members**
- Mitigate risk

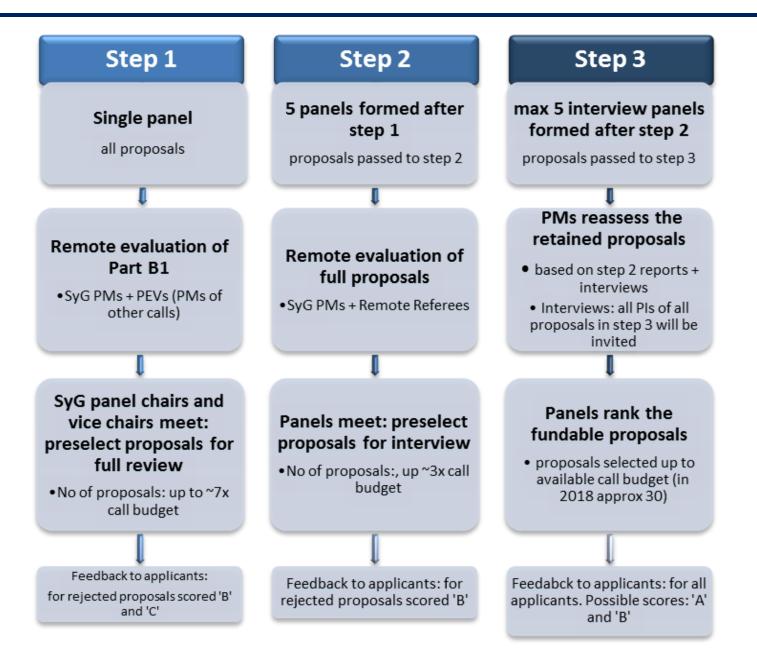
Scoring scheme



ERC Synergy grants



ERC Synergy grants- Evaluation process



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Videos - ERC Classes

- What to consider before applying
- How to fill in the application (Part B1 and B2)
- The interview
- How the evaluation works

https://www.youtube.com/

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