

ERC AdG-2014

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ERC AdG...

...equilibrio tra tre dimensioni:

- CV
- Progetto
- 10-year track record



ERC – Introduzione 1/3

- **Elemento distintivo** del 7° Programma Quadro per la Ricerca dell'UE
- Creato nel 2007 dall'UE per rafforzare la ricerca fondamentale in Europa e le opportunità per i migliori talenti scientifici
- Budget attuale – **7.5 Miliardi EUR per 7 anni** (2007-2013)
- Budget futuro – **13 Miliardi EUR per 7 anni** (2014-2020)
- Peer review internazionale
- Aperto a ricercatori provenienti da qualsiasi parte del mondo...
→ ... che intendono lavorare in Europa



- Grant assegnati a singoli ricercatori
- **1 Progetto, 1 ricercatore, 1 istituto,**
- 1 criterio di valutazione**
- Unico criterio di selezione: **eccellenza**
- Borse sostanziose (2,5 M€ per Advanced grant)
- Nessuna priorità tematica pre-definita ('su iniziativa dei ricercatori' – **bottom-up**); aperto a **tutti i settori della scienza**
- No network e no-cofinanziamento
- Portabilità del grant

*With the focus on the Principal Investigators, the concepts of the individual team is fundamentally different from that of a network or consortium of undertakings, universities, research centres or other legal entities. Proposals from such **consortia** should not be submitted to the ERC.*



L'ERC offre:

- **Libera scelta** dell'area di ricerca, dell'istituzione ospitante e dei membri del team (europei e non)
- **Autonomia finanziaria** per 5 anni
- Possibilità di negoziare le migliori condizioni di lavoro con le istituzioni ospitanti
- Mobilità dei ricercatori ovunque in Europa (**portability of grants**)
- Un "marchio di qualità" per **attrarre finanziamenti aggiuntivi e ottenere riconoscimento**



I bandi ERC 2014 in breve

	<i>Starting Grant</i>	<i>Consolidator Grant</i>	<i>Advanced Grant</i>
<i>Publication date</i>	11 December 2013	11 December 2013	17 June 2014
<i>Deadline(s)</i>	25 March 2014	20 May 2014	21 October 2014
<i>Budget million EUR (estimated number of grants)</i>	485 (370)	713 (400)	450 (200)
<i>Planned dates to inform applicants</i>	21 July 2014 21 November 2014	31 October 2014 15 January 2015	10 March 2015 28 April 2015

2015

315 – 340 - 285

PE panels 1/2

PE1 Mathematics

All areas of mathematics, pure and applied, plus mathematical foundations of computer science, mathematical physics and statistics.

PE2 Fundamental Constituents of Matter

Particle, nuclear, plasma, atomic, molecular, gas, and optical physics.

PE3 Condensed Matter Physics

Structure, electronic properties, fluids, nanosciences, biophysics.

PE4 Physical and Analytical Chemical Sciences

Analytical chemistry, chemical theory, physical chemistry/chemical physics.

PE5 Synthetic Chemistry and Materials

Materials synthesis, structure-properties relations, functional and advanced materials, molecular architecture, organic chemistry.

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PE6 Computer Science and Informatics

Informatics and information systems, computer science, scientific computing, intelligent systems.

PE7 Systems and Communication Engineering

Electronic, communication, optical and systems engineering.

PE8 Products and Processes Engineering

Product design, process design and control, construction methods, civil engineering, energy systems, material engineering.

PE9 Universe Sciences

Astro-physics/chemistry/biology; solar system; stellar, galactic and extragalactic astronomy, planetary systems, cosmology, space science, instrumentation.

PE10 Earth System Science

Physical geography, geology, geophysics, atmospheric sciences, oceanography, climatology, cryology, ecology, global environmental change, biogeochemical cycles, natural resources management.

Risultati 2007-2013 1/4

<i>Call ERC</i>	<i>Budget [M€]</i>	<i>Proposals Evaluated</i>	<i>Funded</i>	<i>Success rate %</i>	<i>Success rate IT %</i>	<i>Average Grant [M€]</i>
<i>Starting Grant 2007</i>	335	8.787	299	3,40	1,59	1,12
<i>Starting Grant 2009</i>	325	2.392	245	10,24	4,31	1,33
<i>Starting Grant 2010</i>	580	2.767	436	15,76	6,30	1,33
<i>Starting Grant 2011</i>	660	4.005	486	12,13	6,11	1,36
<i>Starting Grant 2012</i>	730	4.652	566	12,17	6,68	1,29
<i>Starting Grant 2013 *</i>	400	3.266	300	9,22	2,97	1,33
<i>Consolidator Grant 2013</i>	575	3.604	312	8,66	-	1,84
<i>Totale Starting Grant</i>	3.605	29.473	2.644	8,97	3,28	1,36
<i>Advanced Grant 2008</i>	517	2.034	282	13,86	6,83	1,83
<i>Advanced Grant 2009</i>	490	1.526	245	16,06	6,76	2,00
<i>Advanced Grant 2010</i>	590	1.967	271	13,78	8,13	2,18
<i>Advanced Grant 2011</i>	660	2.245	301	13,41	8,24	2,19
<i>Advanced Grant 2012</i>	680	2.269	319	14,06	5,34	2,13
<i>Advanced Grant 2013</i>	662	2.363	284	12,02	7,98	2,33
<i>Totale Advanced Grant</i>	3.599	12.404	1.702	13,72	7,13	2,11
<i>Totale</i>	7.204	41.877	4.346	10,38	4,76	1,66

Risultati 2007-2013 2/4

<i>Nazione</i>	<i>Tasso di successo [%]</i>	<i>No. progetti [Host Institution]</i>	<i>% progetti</i>	<i>Contributo finanziario €</i>	<i>% contributo finanziario</i>
GRAN BRETAGNA	13,96	849	22,3%	1.353.043.543	22,4%
GERMANIA	12,94	542	14,3%	914.746.816	15,2%
FRANCIA	15,72	480	12,6%	743.993.094	12,3%
OLANDA	14,36	313	8,2%	527.651.831	8,7%
SVIZZERA	22,95	286	7,5%	483.288.769	8,0%
ISRAELE	17,24	220	5,8%	334.254.457	5,5%
SPAGNA	7,08	203	5,3%	308.288.667	5,1%
ITALIA	4,76	210	5,5%	290.329.668	4,8%
SVEZIA	9,10	139	3,7%	231.535.503	3,8%
BELGIO	11,82	129	3,4%	184.985.110	3,1%
AUSTRIA	13,46	98	2,6%	148.673.877	2,5%
DANIMARCA	10,10	70	1,8%	117.201.285	1,9%
FINLANDIA	5,49	60	1,6%	93.546.575	1,6%
NORVEGIA	7,18	35	0,9%	66.406.327	1,1%
GRECIA	3,53	33	0,9%	48.912.195	0,8%
IRLANDA	6,08	32	0,8%	45.585.809	0,8%
UNGHERIA	7,61	32	0,8%	40.490.886	0,7%
PORTOGALLO	5,35	25	0,7%	37.742.631	0,6%
POLONIA	1,98	15	0,4%	18.256.936	0,3%
CIPRO	5,80	9	0,2%	12.999.766	0,2%
REP. CECA	3,15	7	0,2%	9.786.193	0,2%
TURCHIA	1,25	3	0,1%	4.990.540	0,1%
ESTONIA	6,52	3	0,1%	4.259.297	0,1%
CROAZIA	2,82	2	0,1%	3.254.897	0,1%
BULGARIA	2,07	3	0,1%	2.722.739	0,0%
ISLANDA	2,70	1	0,0%	2.399.634	0,0%
SLOVENIA	0,91	2	0,1%	1.999.082	0,0%
LETTONIA	3,45	1	0,0%	1.360.980	0,0%
SLOVACCHIA	1,06	1	0,0%	1.155.970	0,0%
TOTALE	10,78	3.803	100,0%	6.033.863.077	100,0%

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<i>PE2 - Fundamental constituents of matter</i>			
<i>Call ERC</i>	<i>Funded</i>	<i>IT</i>	<i>% IT</i>
<i>Starting Grant 2007</i>	-	-	-
<i>Starting Grant 2009</i>	11	0	0,00
<i>Starting Grant 2010</i>	24	3	12,50
<i>Starting Grant 2011</i>	28	2	7,14
<i>Starting Grant 2012</i>	32	5	15,63
<i>Starting Grant 2013 *</i>	15	2	13,33
<i>Consolidator Grant 2013</i>	19	1	5,26
<i>Totale Starting Grant</i>	129	13	10,08
<i>Advanced Grant 2008</i>	14	1	7,14
<i>Advanced Grant 2009</i>	12	3	25,00
<i>Advanced Grant 2010</i>	17	3	17,65
<i>Advanced Grant 2011</i>	19	1	5,26
<i>Advanced Grant 2012</i>	17	1	5,88
<i>Advanced Grant 2013</i>	18	1	5,56
<i>Totale Advanced Grant</i>	97	10	10,31
<i>Totale</i>	226	23	10,18

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AdG basati in Italia: 109

SubPanel	Title	Acronym	PI	HI	Grant
ID1	Molecular Nanotechnology for Life Science Applications: QUantitative Interactomics for Diagnostics, PROteomics and QUantitative Oncology	QUIDPROQUO	Giacinto Scoles	Udine	€ 2.979.700
ID1	Novel variation in plant breeding and the plant pan-genomes	NOVABREED	Michele Morgante	Udine	€ 2.473.500
ID1	Epigenetics and microRNAs in Myocardial Function and Disease	CARDIOEPIGEN	Gianluigi Condorelli	Humanitas Mirasole SPA	€ 2.500.000
ID1	Molecular mechanisms of the regulation of mammary stem cell homeostasis and their subversion in cancer	MAMMASTEM	Paolo Di Fiore	IFOM	€ 2.274.862
ID1	Optimization and inference algorithms from the theory of disordered systems: theoretical challenges and applications to large-scale inverse problems in systems biology	OPTINF	Riccardo Zecchina	Politecnico di Torino	€ 1.260.104
PE1	Analytic techniques for geometric and functional inequalities	ANTEGEFI	Nicola Fusco	Napoli Federico II	€ 600.000
PE1	Frobenius Manifolds and Hamiltonian Partial Differential Equations	FROM-PDE	Boris Dubrovin	SISSA	€ 864.000
PE1	Quasistatic and Dynamic Evolution Problems in Plasticity and Fracture	QUADYNEVOPRO	Gianni Dal Maso	SISSA	€ 968.500
PE1	Macroscopic laws and dynamical systems	MALADY	Carlangelo Liverani	Roma Tor Vergata	€ 1.372.720
PE1	Operator algebras and conformal field theory	OACFT	Roberto Longo	Roma Tor Vergata	€ 1.044.750
PE1	Phase transitions in random evolutions of large-scale structures	PTRELSS	Fabio Martinelli	Roma Tre	€ 1.248.067
PE1	Geometric Measure Theory in non-Euclidean spaces	GEMETHNES	Luigi Ambrosio	SNS Pisa	€ 749.800
PE1	Integral and Algebraic Points on Varieties, Diophantine Problems on Number Fields and Function Fields	DIOPHANTINE PROBLEMS	Umberto Zannier	SNS Pisa	€ 928.500
PE1	Complex Patterns for Strongly Interacting Dynamical Systems	COMPAT	Susanna Terracini	Torino	
PE10	AFRICA-GHG: The role of African tropical forests on the Greenhouse Gases balance of the atmosphere	AFRICA-GHG	Riccardo Valentini	Centro Euro-Mediterraneo per i cambiamenti climatici	€ 2.406.950
PE10	How long have human activities been affecting the climate system?	EARLYHUMANIMPACT	Carlo Barbante	Ca' Foscari Venezia	€ 2.370.767
PE2	Low-background underground cryogenic installation for elusive rates	LUCIFER	Fernando Ferroni	INFN	€ 3.294.400
PE2	SOX: Short distance neutrino Oscillations with BoreXino	SOX	Marco PALLAVICINI	INFN	€ 3.451.600
PE2	The Electron Capture Decay of ^{163}Ho to Measure the Electron Neutrino Mass with sub-eV sensitivity	HOLMES	Stefano Ragazzi	INFN	€ 3.057.067
PE2	Nano Photonics-Based Micro Robotics	PHOTBOTS	Diederik Wiersma	LENS	€ 2.200.000
PE2	Disorder physics with ultracold quantum gases	DISQUA	Massimo Inguscio	LENS	€ 2.500.000
PE2	Electron-scale dynamics in chemistry	ELYCHE	Mauro Nisoli	Politecnico di Milano	€ 2.446.200
PE2	Critical Phenomena in Random Systems	CRIPHERASY	Giorgio Parisi	Roma La Sapienza	€ 2.098.800
PE2	Electroweak Symmetry Breaking, Flavor and Dark Matter: One Solution for Three Mysteries	DAMESYFLA	Guido Martinelli	SISSA	€ 1.439.400
PE2	Quantum Gases Beyond Equilibrium	QGBE	Sandro Stringari	Trento	€ 1.638.560

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SubPanel	Title	Acronym	PI	HI	Grant
PE3	Sound-Light Manipulation in the Terahertz	SouLMaN	Alessandro TREDICUCCI		CNR
PE3	Modeling the Physics of Nano-Friction Patchy colloidal particles: a powerful arsenal for the fabrication of tomorrow	MODPHYSFRICT	Erio Tosatti	SISSA	€ 1.550.000
PE3	new super-molecules. A theoretical and numerical study of their assembly processes	PATCHYCOLLOIDS	Francesco Sciortino	Roma La Sapienza	€ 1.559.159
PE3	Molecular Nanomagnets at Surfaces: Novel Phenomena for Spin-based Technologies	MOLNANOMAS	Roberta Sessoli	Firenze	€ 2.269.200
PE4	Structure and dynamics of biomolecules by two-dimensional ultraviolet spectroscopy	STRATUS	Giulio Cerullo	Politecnico di Milano	€ 2.493.000
PE5	Neuron Networking with Nano Bridges via the Synthesis and Integration of Functionalized Carbon Nanotubes	CARBONANOBRIDGE	Maurizio Prato	Trieste	€ 2.500.000
PE5	Development of a Research Environment for Advanced Modelling of Soft matter	DREAMS	Vincenzo Barone	SNS Pisa	€ 2.152.600
PE5	Patterning the surface of monolayer-protected nanoparticles to obtain intelligent nanodevices	MOSAIC	Fabrizio Mancin	Padova	€ 1.499.000
PE6	Multiscale Thermal Management of Computing Systems	MULTIHERMAN	Luca Benini	Bologna	€ 2.483.397
PE6	Open intelligent systems for future autonomous vehicles	OFAV	Alberto Broggi	Parma	€ 1.751.066
PE6	Self-managing situated computing	SMSCOM	Carlo Ghezzi	Politecnico di Milano	€ 2.544.156
PE6	Search computing	SECO	Stefano Ceri	Politecnico di Milano	€ 2.500.000
PE6	Foundations for Software Evolution	LUCRETIUS	John Mylopoulos	Trento	€ 2.462.095
PE7	Robotic Dynamic Manipulation	RODYMAN	Bruno Siciliano	CREATE	€ 2.496.600
PE7	A Theory of Soft Synergies for a New Generation of Artificial Hands	SOFT HANDS	Antonio Bicchi	IIT	€ 2.279.600
PE8	Size effects in fracture and plasticity	SIZEFFECTS	Stefano Zapperi	CNR	€ 2.500.000
PE8	Isogeometric Methods for Biomechanics	ISOBIO	Alessandro Reali	Pavia	€ 1.195.200
PE8	New eddy-simulation concepts and methodologies for frontier problems in ...	NEWTURB	Luca Biferale	Roma Tor Vergata	€ 1.986.000
PE8	Instabilities and nonlocal multiscale modelling of materials	INSTABILITIES	Davide Bignoni	Trento	
PE8	Cavitation across scales: following Bubbles from Inception to Collapse	BIC	Carlo Casciola	Roma La Sapienza	
PE8	Multiscale modeling and simulation of biological and artificial locomotion at the micron scale: from metastatic tumor cells and unicellular swimmers to bioinspired microrobots	MicroMotility	Antonio De Simone	SISSA	€ 1.302.270
PE9	Star clusters as cosmic laboratories for Astrophysics, Dynamics and Fundamental Physics	COSMIC-LAB	Francesco Ferraro	Bologna	€ 1.880.000
PE9	ILLUMINATING DARK ENERGY WITH THE NEXT GENERATION OF COSMOLOGICAL REDSHIFT SURVEYS	DARKLIGHT	Luigi Guzzo	INAF	€ 1.723.600

Criteri di ammissibilità

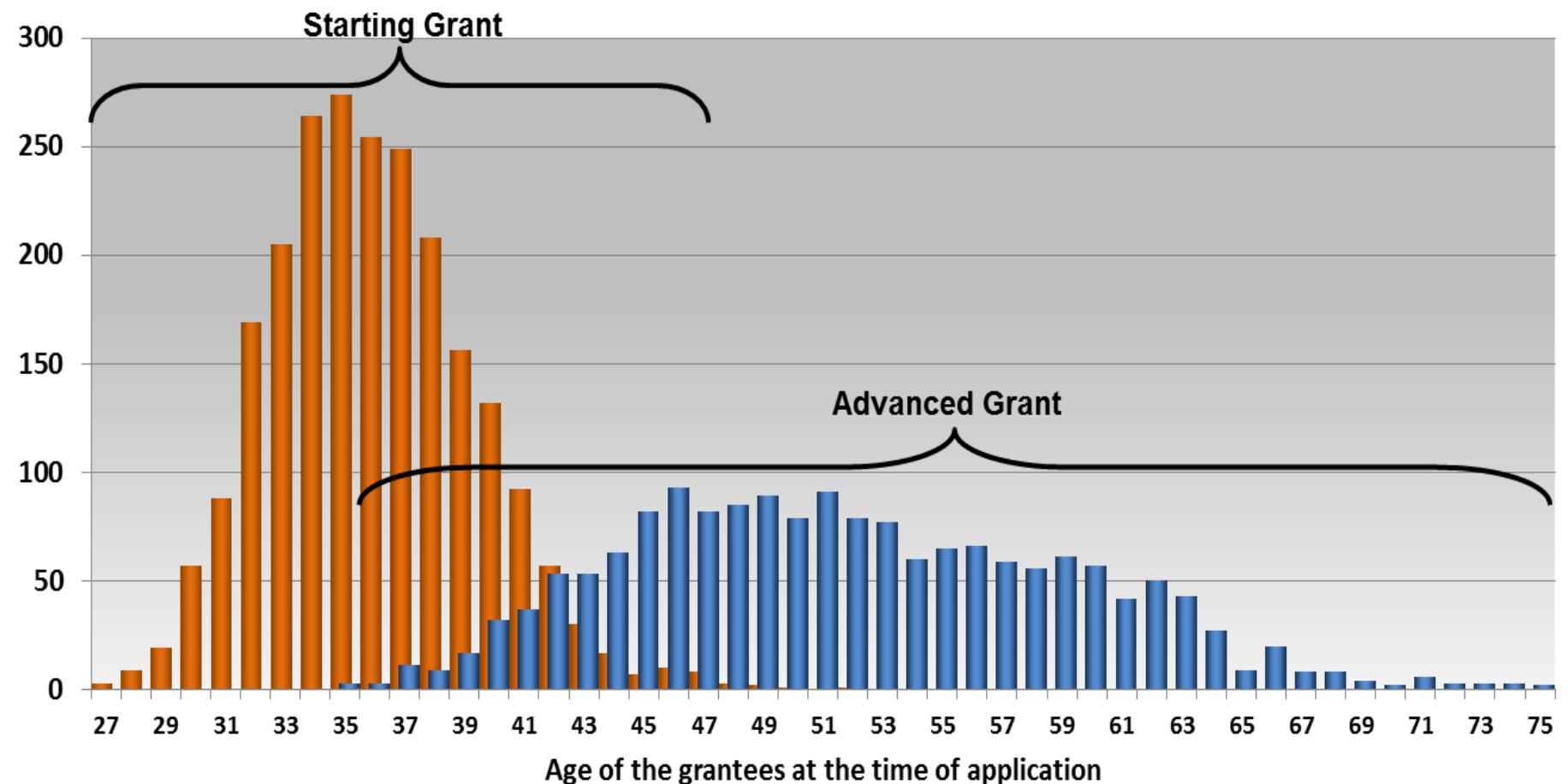
	Starting Grant	Consolidator Grant	Advanced Grant
Specific Eligibility Criteria	Principal Investigator shall have been awarded his/her first PhD ≥ 2 and ≤ 7 years prior to the publication date of the call for proposals of the ERC Starting Grant	Principal Investigator shall have been awarded his/her first PhD > 7 and ≤ 12 years prior to the publication date of the call for proposals of the ERC Consolidator Grant	none

Maternità: 18 mesi per figlio fino a un massimo di 3 figli

Paternità: durata effettiva del congedo

Malattia: durata effettiva

Età dei PI



Vincoli 2014

- A Principal Investigator may submit only one proposal to the ERC for ERC frontier research grant calls made under the same Work Programme.
- A Principal Investigator whose proposal was evaluated as **category C** in the Starting, Consolidator or Advanced Grant calls for proposals under Work Programme 2013 may not submit a proposal to the Starting, Consolidator or Advanced Grant calls for proposals made under Work Programme 2014.
- A researcher may participate as Principal Investigator or Co-Investigator¹⁴ in only one ERC frontier research project at any one time¹⁵;
- A researcher participating as Principal Investigator in an ERC frontier research project may not submit a proposal for another ERC frontier research grant, unless the existing project ends¹⁶ no more than two years after the call deadline;
- A Principal Investigator who is a serving Panel Member for a 2014 ERC call or who served as a Panel Member for a 2012 ERC call may not apply to a 2014 ERC call for the same type of grant¹⁷.

Vincoli 2015

As a result of very high and rising demand for ERC grants the Scientific Council has decided to extend the above restrictions in future as follows:

- A Principal Investigator whose proposal is evaluated as **category C** in the Starting, Consolidator or Advanced Grant calls for proposals under Work Programme 2014 may not submit a proposal to the Starting, Consolidator or Advanced Grant calls for proposals made under Work Programme 2015 and 2016.
- A Principal Investigator whose proposal is finally evaluated as **category B** in the Starting, Consolidator or Advanced Grant calls for proposals under Work Programme 2014 may not submit a proposal to the Starting, Consolidator or Advanced Grant calls for proposals made under Work Programme 2015.

These restrictions are designed to allow unsuccessful Principal Investigators the time necessary to develop a stronger proposal.

Condizioni al contorno

	Starting Grant	Consolidator Grant	Advanced Grant
Max EU contribution [€]	1.500.000 (+500.000)	2.000.000 (+750.000)	2.500.000 (+1.000.000)
Year max	5	5	5
Effort	> 50%	> 50%	> 30%

Il progetto

B.1 [1 pdf to be uploaded]

- Cover page: Title, Acronym, Abstract, Panel, key words, interdiscip.?
- Extended synopsis [Max 5 pages]
- CV [Max 2 pages]
- Funding ID [no page limit] NEW
- Track record [Max 2 pages]

B.2 [1 pdf to be uploaded]

- Scientific proposal [Max 15 pages]
 - State of the art and objectives
 - Methodology
 - Resources (incl. Budget table)
 - + Ethical issues table

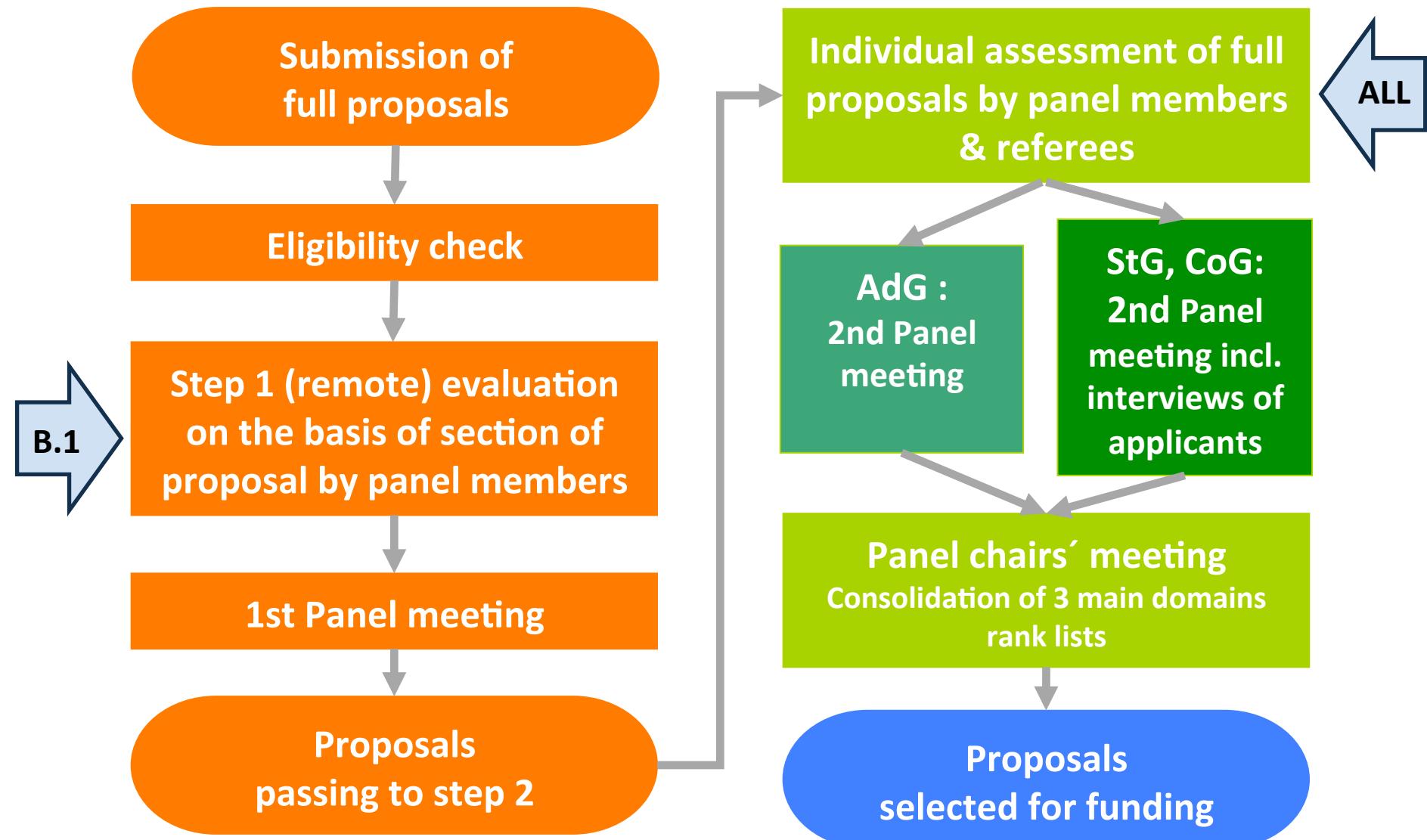
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- A.1: proposal and PI info
- A.2 HI infos
- A.3 Budget

Annexes [pdfs to be uploaded]

- **PhD award**
- Maternity leaves (birth certificates) and other support documents
- Ethical issues annex (if needed)
- **Support letter of the HI**

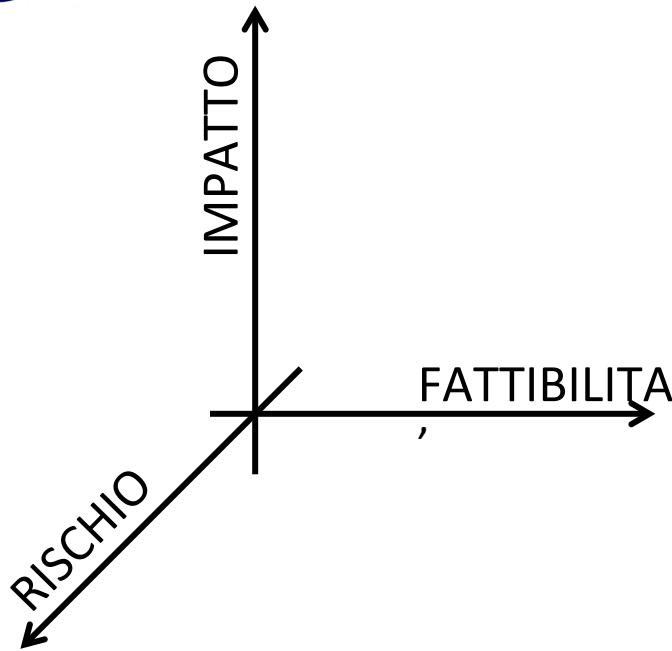
Il processo di valutazione



Il processo di valutazione

1. Al primo step **l'unico elemento di valutazione** sul progetto è il **B.1 Val={A,B,C}**
2. Il primo step di valutazione coinvolge **solo i panel members**
3. Già dopo il primo step esiste una classifica
4. Al secondo step intervengono i **revisori esterni**
5. Per StG e CoG è prevista una sessione **orale**
6. La decisione finale è presa in **plenaria** dal panel Val={A,B}
7. L'ordinamento finale definisce i progetti finanziati, tra quelli valutati {A, A}
8. I primi esclusi: *reserve list*. Probabile rientrare grazie ai meccanismi di finanziamento associati alle nazioni non EU che partecipano a ERC (NO, IS, IL, TR, ...)

L'Idea progettuale



IMPATTO:

- *ground-breaking research*
- *change the paradigms of the discipline*
- *pioneering proposals*
- *at the frontiers of knowledge*
- *set inspirational targets*

RISCHIO:

- *high-risk /high-gain projects*
- *unconventional innovative approaches*

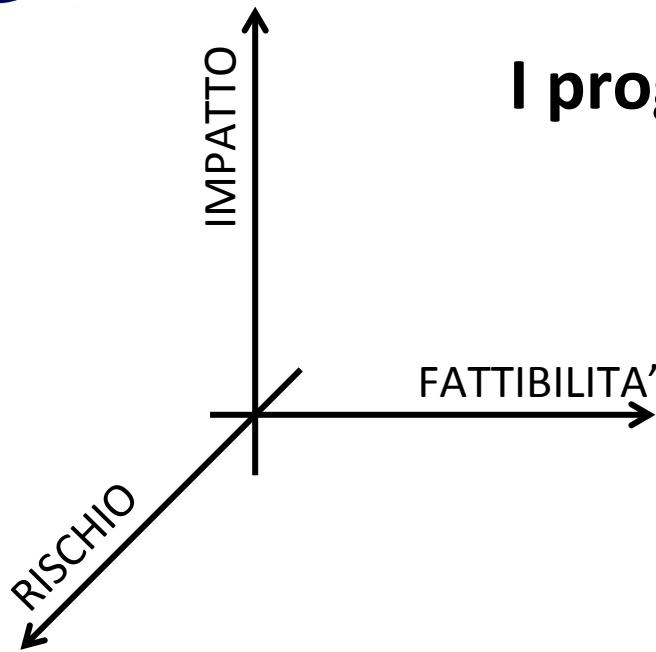
FATTIBILITA':

- *excellent investigators*
- *scientific excellence is the sole criterion*

FATTIBILITA' VS RISCHIO:

- **NO al rischio «di partenza»** (eg. disponibilità dati, accesso ad apparecchiature, selezione di un team totalmente ex novo, prima volta nella gestione di risorse ingenti, coordinamento di più sedi di lavoro, cv «leggero», poca indipendenza PI, ...)
- **SI al rischio «di arrivo»** (i valutatori sanno che un programma di ricerca a 5 anni ha una probabilità di deviazione che cresce più che linearmente con il tempo)

L'Idea progettuale



I progetti ad alto rischio sono apprezzati,

ma è necessario spiegare:

che si è consapevoli dei rischi

come li si vuole affrontare

I potenziali benefici in termini di impatto

risultati intermedi interessanti

L'Idea progettuale

Prima di iniziare a scrivere, domande:

- Perché adesso è il momento giusto?
- Perché io sono la persona giusta?
- Perché l'ERC?
- Questa idea è fattibile? Quali sono i miei assets?
- Siamo nel 2019 a progetto terminato. Tutto è andato (ragionevolmente) bene. Cosa è cambiato nella mia disciplina? L'impatto è questionabile o un qualunque collega (di settori vicini) riconoscerebbe il valore di tale impatto?
- E' valso i soldi impegnati? Soldi pubblici? Il tuo tempo?

Titolo & Acronimo

Sono i «biglietti da visita» della proposta: da scegliere con attenzione

Ma... nessuna proposta verrà mai scartata perché l'acronimo è brutto!

Consigli sul **titolo**:

1. breve
2. Focalizzato
3. Il messaggio più interessante (impatto) prima

Cryogenic wide-Area Light Detectors with Excellent Resolution

Crystal channelling to extract a high energy hadron beam from an accelerator machine

Electroweak Symmetry Breaking, Flavor and Dark Matter: One Solution for Three Mysteries

Consigli sulla scelta dell'**acronimo**:

1. Semplice
2. Corto
3. Non necessariamente evocativo
4. Non generico (più un nome proprio)

stardust2asteroids
HSCsforLSDbrain
HIV LTR G-4
Hairy Cell Leukemia

L'abstract

2.000 caratteri, spazi e punteggiatura inclusi.



Perfection is achieved, not when there is nothing more to add, but when there is nothing left to take away.

(Antoine de Saint-Exupery)

L'abstract

E' la prima parte che viene letta e usata dal Panel Chair per indirizzare il progetto ai Panelist (insieme alle parole chiave) e successivamente ai revisori esterni

dall'abstract i panelist decidono già se sono interessati a leggere il resto

Non è un abstract di un paper scientifico

La prima frase dovrebbe contenere il messaggio principale. Lo stato dell'arte dopo.

"We propose to realize an experiment sensitive to a large fraction of the parameter space for short distance neutrino flavour oscillations into sterile components. The experiment aims at the clear and unambiguous discovery, or at the definitive disproof, of the so called neutrino anomalies, a set of circumstantial evidences of electron neutrino disappearance at short distance from the source observed by several experiments".

«HOLMES is aimed at directly measuring the electron neutrino mass using the electron capture (EC) decay of ^{163}Ho .»

«The general goal is to bring together different fields of research in order to create a new research area of photonic micro robotics. »

L'abstract

The **ultimate goal** of 4DHPT is to establish a new paradigm for space-time particle tracking. Presently, precise tracking devices determine time **quite poorly** while good timing devices are **too large** for accurate position measurement. This fact is imposing **severe limitations** on the potential of **many applications** ranging from medical PET to mass spectroscopy or particle tracking.

Unif. Concept

Problema

Idea allargata

We **plan to** eliminate this constrain by conceiving a single device able to concurrently measure with state-of-the-art precision the space (~ 10 micrometre) and time (~ 10 picosecond) coordinates of a particle. **Basing on existing results** on detector properties it will be possible to improve the timing characteristics of silicon-based pixel sensors, which already have sufficient position resolution, to the extend that a four-dimensional high-precision measurement can be achieved.

Il progetto

Fattibilità

In **addition to** the development of 4D sensors, the project proposes the development of the integrated read-out electronics necessary to obtain, at the end of the grant, a completely functioning system. The design of the electronics has to overcome **significant challenges** as the spatial and time resolution requirements can be met only with a fully integrated VLSI design that matches the size of the read-out to the area of the pixel sensors.

Goal intermedi

High risk

This research is **poised to open up a range of new opportunities** to applications that benefit from the combined position and timing information. For example, 4DHPT detectors allow obtaining sharper PET images, monitoring more accurately the dose delivered in cancer treatment and simplifying particle tracking in high-energy physics experiments.

High gain

Intediscip.

L'abstract

The general goal is to bring together different fields of research in order to create a new research area of photonic micro robotics. That is to create, study, and implement truly microscopic structures with nano scale accuracy that can perform robotic tasks and that are entirely powered and controlled by light.

This idea brings immense challenges both from the point of view of the physics involved as well as the chemistry needed to create the appropriate materials, but if successful can also have a huge impact. To achieve this, we will combine our expertise on complex photonic materials and direct laser writing, to create micro structured patterns in liquid crystal elastomers, which are rubber-like polymers with liquid crystalline properties that can be triggered with light. In our view, this opens up a new strategy to create robots of various kinds, on a truly micrometer length scale. That is, micro robots that can swim, walk, or crawl, and when at destination perform specific tasks, controlled and driven by light. This proposal, in the first instance, deals with fundamental, curiosity-driven research and wishes to address the wealth of physics and chemistry that arises when combining nano photonics with micro robotics. Having said that, the range of potential applications is very broad. Our photonic micro robots would be able to penetrate otherwise difficult to access environments and perform tasks such as sensing or sampling. They could be made in large quantities which means they could also be put into action collectively in swarms (using mechanical and/or optical interaction between the individual robots). The project is truly interdisciplinary, which makes it very challenging but also exciting. The photonic micro robotic structures will be created by bringing together concepts from physics and chemistry, while the inspiration for designs comes partly from biology and potential applications can be foreseen in medicine.

L'abstract

This project aims to get a theoretical understanding of the most important large-scale phenomena in classical and quantum disordered systems.

Thanks to the renormalization group approach the critical behaviour of pure systems is under very good control; however disordered systems are in many ways remarkably peculiar (think for example to non-perturbative phenomena like Griffiths singularities), often the conventional approach does not work and many crucial issues are still unclear. **My work aims to fill this important hole** in our understanding of disordered systems. I will concentrate my efforts on some of the most important and studied systems, i.e. spin glasses, random field ferromagnets (that are realized in nature as diluted antiferromagnets in a field), Anderson and Mott localization (with possible experimental applications to Bose-Einstein condensates and to electron glasses), surface growth in random media (KPZ and DLA models). In this project I want to pursue a new approach to these problems. I aim to compute in the most accurate way the properties of these systems using the original Wilson formulation of the renormalization group with a phase space cell analysis; this is equivalent to solving a statistical model on a hierarchical lattice (Dyson-Bleher-Sinai model). This is not an easy job. In the same conceptual frame we plan to use simultaneously very different techniques: probabilistic techniques, perturbative techniques at high orders, expansions around mean field on Bethe lattice and numerical techniques to evaluate the critical behaviour. I believe that even this restricted approach is very ambitious, but that the theoretical progresses that have been done in unveiling important features of disordered systems suggest that it will be possible to obtain solid results.

L'extended synopsys

al primo step la synopsis è
l'unica fonte di informazione
sulla progetto

In 5 pagine:
convincere i panelists in primis su
fattibilità e innovazione

incuriosire

L'extended synopsys

- deve essere rivolta principalmente a **ottimi scienziati** non esperti della propria nicchia
- deve essere autoconsistente, ***come progetto***
- fornire informazioni su:
 - ✓ obiettivi della proposta
 - ✓ superamento dello stato dell'arte
 - ✓ metodologia della ricerca
 - ✓ qualità del team
 - ✓ sostenibilità economica del progetto
- **«aiutare» il valutatore nel proprio compito**
- Trasmettere **chiarezza** di visione e di programmazione

Valutazione scientifica

1. Research Project

Ground-breaking nature, ambition and feasibility

Starting, Consolidator and Advanced

Ground-breaking nature and potential impact of the research project

To what extent does the proposed research address important challenges?

To what extent are the objectives ambitious and beyond the state of the art (e.g. novel concepts and approaches or development across disciplines)?

To what extent is the proposed research high risk/high gain?

Scientific Approach

To what extent is the outlined scientific approach feasible (based on the Extended Synopsis)?

To what extent is the proposed research methodology appropriate to achieve the goals of the project (based on the full Scientific Proposal)?

To what extent does the proposal involve the development of novel methodology (based on the full Scientific Proposal)?

To what extent are the proposed timescales and resources necessary and properly justified (based on the full Scientific Proposal)?

CV scientifico, sintetico e schematico. Elementi essenziali (titoli):

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION
 2. EDUCATION
 3. CURRENT POSITION
 4. PREVIOUS POSITIONS
 5. FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS
 6. SUPERVISION OF PHD AND POSTDOCS (MENTORING ACTIVITY)
 7. TEACHING ACTIVITY
 8. ORGANIZATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS
 9. INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES
 10. COMMISSIONS OF TRUST (REFEREE, AB, ...)
 11. MEMBERSHIP OF SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES
 12. MAJOR COLLABORATIONS
 13. CAREER BREAKS
- *SCIENTIFIC OUTPUT: H-INDEX, # OF PUBLICATIONS,*
- *FUNDING ID*

Advanced Grant profile

Objectives

Advanced Grants are designed to support excellent Principal Investigators at the career stage at which they are already established research leaders with a recognised track record of research achievements. Applicant Principal Investigators must demonstrate the ground breaking nature, ambition and feasibility of their scientific proposal.

Principal Investigators for the prestigious ERC Advanced Grant are expected to be active researchers and to have a track record of significant research achievements in the last 10 years which must be presented in the application. There is little prospect of an application succeeding in the absence of such a record, which identifies investigators as exceptional leaders in terms of originality and significance of their research contributions.

Thus, in most fields, Principal Investigators of Advanced Grant proposals will be expected to demonstrate a record of achievements appropriate to the field and at least matching one or more of the following benchmarks:

10-year Track record

Consiglio: scrivere in prosa (sempre schematicamente)

Per paragrafi, ripercorrere i tratti essenziali della propria carriera

Essere fattuali, no overselling, «affermo, dimostro»

Qui vanno le pubblicazioni

(ii) My experience and understanding of LHC experiments led me naturally to **the development of radiation-hard sensors and electronics for the next generation of detectors**, to be installed during the LHC upgrade. In my invited talk at the 5th Hiroshima Conference in 2004 [7], I described the challenges the harsh radiation environment would bring and focused on the need to abandon the established paradigms and move to different sensor materials and geometries. To facilitate the exchange of ideas across different experiments, I started in 2005 the Trento Workshop on the Advanced Silicon Radiation Detectors, which has contributed to the rapid progress of p-type and 3D sensors [8]. After my publication of a paper showing the advantage of p-type sensors [9], I organized a long-term campaign to develop n-on-p strip sensors (2004 – present) for the ATLAS Upgrade. Within the CERN RD50 collaboration I led a comparative study between n-type and p-type sensors, both for float zone (FZ) and magnetic Czochralski (MCZ) wafers. In my overview talk at the 2007 IEEE NSS/MIC [9] I argued that we should replace the radiation-“soft” p-on-n sensors used in the present ATLAS SCT with much more radiation-hard n-on-p sensors. My studies of both surface and bulk radiation effects on a large-scale prototype confirmed the advantage of new p-type sensors [11].

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Advanced

Intellectual capacity and creativity

To what extent has the PI demonstrated the ability to propose and conduct ground-breaking research?

To what extent does the PI provide evidence of creative independent thinking?

To what extent have the achievements of the PI typically gone beyond the state-of-the-art?

 *To what extent has the PI demonstrated sound leadership in the training and advancement of young scientists?*

Commitment

To what extent does the PI demonstrate the level of commitment to the project necessary for its execution and the willingness to devote a significant amount of time to the project (min 30% of the total working time on it and min 50% in an EU Member State or Associated Country) (based on the full Scientific Proposal).

Viene letto anche dai revisori esterni

a. State of the art and objectives

- Revisione della letteratura e inquadramento del progetto (3 pag)
- Elenco preciso degli obiettivi del progetto (1 pag)

b. Methodology

- Descrizione di cosa si intende fare, come si intende procedere, risultati intermedi, ...
- (opz.) Gantt chart o altra indicazione dello sviluppo temporale del progetto

c. Resources to be committed (including budget table)

- C.1 «The team», includendo le istituzioni coinvolte
- C.2 Budget table: gli €
- C.3 Budget details: voce per voce, spiegare origine delle cifre.