ERC Synergy Grant 2024

Research proposal [Part B2][[1]](#footnote-1)

*(not evaluated in Step 1)*

* Name of the corresponding Principal Investigator (cPI) and corresponding Host Institution (cHI)
* List the other PIs, indicating the Host Institution of each PI

**Part B2: *The scientific proposal* (max. 15 pages, excluding the Resources and time commitment section and References)**

Please delete all text highlighted in grey in this template.

**Please respect the following formatting constraints: Times New Roman, Arial or similar, at least font size 11, margin sizes (2.0 cm side and 1.5 cm top and bottom), single line spacing. References and Resources section do not count towards the page limit**.

**Section a. State-of-the-art and objectives**

**Section b. Methodology**

**Section c. Resources and time commitment (including project costs)**

(Note: Describe the resources needed according to the indications in the *Information for Applicants to the Synergy Grant 2024 call, section 2.3 The research proposal.*

**Each PI is required to fill in their budget breakdown using the following budget table and the declaration of their level of commitment to the project.** Depending on the number of PIs you may delete unneeded columns**.** All eligible costs requested should be included in the budget. In case you have team members belonging to partner organisations (i.e. not Host Institutions) please include their amounts under a PI’s budget.

In addition to the budget table, please **describe and fully justify** the amount of funding considered necessary to fulfil the objectives throughout the duration of the project. The project cost estimation should be as accurate as possible. Mathematical mistakes may reflect poorly on the credibility of the budget table and the proposal overall. Therefore, please pay attention that all figures are in the right cell/category and they add up correctly. The evaluation panels assess the estimated costs and the justification carefully; unjustified budgets will be consequently reduced.

Please specify if you will use third parties giving in-kind contributions to the action. Specify the cost items covered by the 'Other personnel costs' category if applicable. Please also specify the cost items covered by the 'Other additional direct costs' category if applicable.

**Please use integer euro values only throughout the table and fill in the ‘Requested EU contribution’ field as well.** In case you are requesting additional funding (up to EUR 4 million) above the normal EUR 10 million, **include these top-up costs in the common budget table** as well and justify your request in the second table at the end. **The Total Eligible Costs and the Requested EU contribution amounts in the table below MUST match those presented in the online proposal submission form, section 3 – Budget**.)

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| Cost category | | | **Corresponding PI** | **2nd PI** | **3rd PI** | **4th PI** | **Total in euro**  (no decimals) |
| PI name | | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Host Institution | | |  |  |  |  |  |
| **A. Direct personnel costs/€** | PI[[2]](#footnote-2) | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Senior Staff | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Post docs | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Students | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other personnel costs | |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total personnel costs/€** | |  |  |  |  |  |
| B. Subcontracting Costs/€  (No indirect costs) | | |  |  |  |  |  |
| **C. Purchase Costs/€** | C.1 Travel and subsistence | |  |  |  |  |  |
| C.2 Equipment - including major equipment | |  |  |  |  |  |
| C.3 Other goods, works and services | Consumables incl. fieldwork and animal costs |  |  |  |  |  |
| Publications (incl. Open Access fees) and dissemination |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other additional direct costs |  |  |  |  |  |
| C.3 Total other goods, works and services |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total Purchase costs/€** (C.1 + C.2 + C.3) | |  |  |  |  |  |
| D. Internally invoiced goods and services/€  (No indirect costs)[[3]](#footnote-3) | | |  |  |  |  |  |
| E. Indirect Cost/€  e= 25% \* (A + C1 + C2 + C3) | | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total eligible costs/€ | | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Requested EU contribution/€ | | |  |  |  |  |  |

In case you are requesting additional funding (up to EUR 4 million) above the normal EUR 10 million, fully justify your request by filling in the table below (please delete the table if not applicable). **Include these costs in the above budget table.**

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| **Request for additional funding above**  **EUR 10 000 000 for** | **Justification** |
| Keep only the category(ies) that apply to the project.  (a) covering eligible 'start-up' costs for a PI moving from another country to the EU or an Associated Country as a consequence of receiving an ERC grant and/or,  (b) the purchase of major equipment and/or,  (c) access to large facilities and/or  (d) other major experimental and field work costs, excluding personnel costs. |  |

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| **Please indicate the duration of the project in months[[4]](#footnote-4):** |  |
| **Please indicate the % of working time each PI dedicates to the project over the period of the grant:** | **%** |
| **Corresponding PI name:** |  |
| **2nd PI name:** |  |
| **3rd PI name:** |  |
| **4th PI name:** |  |

Each PI must specify their commitment to the project and how much time each one of them is willing to devote to the proposed project. Please note that each PI is expected to devote at least 30% of their working time to the ERC project.

***Appendix***

***All ongoing grants and submitted grant applications of each of the PIs (Funding ID)***

*Mandatory information (not counted towards page limits)*

Please include as many tables as participating Principal Investigators in the group.

**Ongoing grants** (Please indicate 'No funding' as applicable)**:**

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| *Project Title* | *Funding source* | *Amount*  *(Euros)* | *Period* | *Role of the PI* | *Relation to current*  *ERC proposal[[5]](#footnote-5)* |
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**Ongoing/submitted grant applications** – still in evaluation at the time of this application(Please indicate 'None' as applicable)**:**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| *Project Title* | *Funding source* | *Amount*  *(Euros)* | *Period* | *Role of the PI* | *Relation to current*  *ERC proposa3* |
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1. Instructions for completing Part B2 can be found in the ‘*Information for Applicants to the Synergy Grant 2024 Call’*. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. When calculating the salary, please take into account the percentage of each PI's dedicated working time to run the ERC project (i.e. minimum 30% of the working time). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Costs for invoices generated by laboratories and/or services belonging to the Host Institution and calculated as Unit costs should be included here. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. The maximum award is reduced pro rata temporis for projects of a shorter duration than 72 months (e.g. for a project of 60 months duration the maximum requested EU contribution allowed is EUR 8 333 333). Additional funding to cover major one-off costs is not subject to pro-rata temporis reduction for projects of shorter duration (e.g. with additional funding it is possible to request a maximum EU contribution of EUR 12 333 333 million for a project of 60 months duration). [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Clearly describe any scientific overlap between your ERC application and any ongoing grant or grant application. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)