

## Fact Sheet ERC Starting/Consolidator Grant

|                            | Starting Grant   | Consolidator Grant   |
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| Research Project           | Pioneering (ground-breaking) research in any field of science, engineering and scholarship   |  |
| Principal Investigator     | Any nationality  |  |
| Time frame for application | PhD (or equivalent) degree – 2 to 7 years prior to the opening date of the relevant call for proposals (justified extensions of this period may be accepted, such as parental leave)   | PhD (or equivalent) degree – 7 to 12 years prior to the opening date of the relevant call for proposals (justified extensions of this period may be accepted, such as parental leave)  |
| Place of work              | Anywhere in Europe, no obligation to change the institution and/or town/country  |  |
| Special feature            | <b><i>ERC Grant is portable!</i></b>   |  |
| Funding                    | Up to € 1.5 M per grant, to cover costs for personnel, travel, equipment, consumables, publications, etc.<br><br>A top-up of up to 500.000 € possible for <b>a)</b> the purchase of major equipment, <b>b)</b> access to large facilities or <b>c)</b> "start-up" costs for PIs moving from a so-called third country to the EU) | Up to € 2.0 per grant, to cover costs for personnel, travel, equipment, consumables, publications, etc.<br><br>A top-up of up to 750.000 € possible for <b>a)</b> the purchase of major equipment, <b>b)</b> access to large facilities or <b>c)</b> "start-up" costs for PIs moving from a so-called third country to the EU) |
| Duration                   | Up to 5 years  |  |
| Host Organisation          | Legally recognised public or private research organisation situated in an EU Member State or an Associated Country   |  |
| Call for proposals         | Published on:<br>July 10, 2012   | To be published on:<br>November 07, 2012   |
| Deadline                   | <b>October 17, 2012</b>  | <b>February 21, 2013</b>   |
| Weblink                    | Official site of the ERC: <a href="http://erc.europa.eu">http://erc.europa.eu</a><br>Official Call site:<br><a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/ideas">http://ec.europa.eu/research/participants/portal/page/ideas</a>  |  |