

## **ERC Update**

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## **New ERC Work Programme and calls**

The European Commission yesterday adopted the ERC Work Programme 2015, as established by the ERC Scientific Council. It includes the budget and timeframes of ERC 2015 competitions for Starting, Consolidator and Advanced Grants. Funding for the top-up scheme Proof of Concept, open only to ERC grant holders, is also announced. (See overview for all these calls on p. 4 in the Work Programme.)

The document also includes a call for proposals to promote the output of ERC-funded research amongst a wider audience. With an indicative budget of €1.6 million, its goal is to support communication actions, which will help raise awareness of ERC projects and their scientific results across Europe, not only amongst scientists, but also amongst media, policy-makers, the business community and the general public.

Information for applicants on how to submit proposals will be available through the EU Research and Innovation <u>Participant Portal</u> as of 16 September 2014. The planned call deadline for applications is 16 December 2014. (See especially pp 42 – 43 in the Work Programme.)

The ERC reserves the right to cancel or make corrigenda to the calls.

## For more information

**ERC Work Programme 2015** 

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