

Research Office

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PROJECT FUNDING INSTRUMENTS (individual and collective)

Funding Agency	Type	Description
SNSF	Individual	<p>Individual Project Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SNSF provides project funding to enable researchers to conduct research projects on self-chosen topics and with self-chosen goals under their own responsibility • Calls twice a year: 1 April and 1 October
	Collective	<p>Sinergia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sinergia promotes the interdisciplinary collaboration of two to four research groups that propose breakthrough research • Calls twice a year: 1 June and 1 December
SNSF and SDC	Collective	<p>Swiss Programme for Research on Global Issues for Development (R4D)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aimed at researchers in Switzerland and in developing and emerging countries who wish to execute a joint research project on global issues • Calls: check the website
SNSF and SERI	Collective	<p>Bilateral Programmes with Priority Countries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aimed at promoting and strengthening scientific cooperation with non-European countries that show high or promising research potential • Calls: check the website
SNIS	Individual / Collective	<p>SNIS Project Grants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two-year grants for pluridisciplinary research in the field of international studies • Collaboration with IOs and NGOs strongly encouraged • Call once a year: January
UE – Horizon 2020	Individual	<p>ERC → ERC Starting Grants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aimed at young talented research leaders wishing to gain independence and to build their own careers • 2–7 years after PhD • Up to 5 years • Call once a year: check the website

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	Individual	<p>→ ERC Consolidator Grants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aimed at researchers who want to establish research teams and continue developing a successful career in Europe or associated countries • 7–12 years after PhD • Up to 5 years • Call once a year: check the website
	Individual	<p>→ ERC Advanced Grants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aimed at outstanding research leaders of any nationality and any age wishing to pursue ground-breaking, high-risk projects in Europe • Up to 5 years • Call once a year: check the website
	Individual	<p>→ ERC Proof of Concept Grants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designed to support ERC grantees with the commercial or societal application of the results of their funded research • Up to 18 months • Call once a year: check the website
	Individual	<p>Marie Skłodowska Curie</p> <p>→ COFUND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A cofunding programme supporting new or existing doctoral or postdoctoral fellowship programmes and stimulating regional, national or international programmes in order to foster excellence in researchers' training, mobility and career development • Call once a year: check the website
	Collective	<p>→ ITNs (Innovative Training Workshops)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support competitively selected joint research training and/or doctoral programmes, implemented by European partnerships of universities, research institutions and non-academic organisations • Call once a year: check the website
European Commission	Collective	<p>European Joint Programming Initiatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aimed at pooling national research efforts in order to make better use of Europe's precious public R&D resources and tackle common European challenges more effectively in a few key areas • Calls: check the website