



WORKSHOP

ERC IN HORIZON EUROPE: HOW TO WRITE A SUCCESSFUL PROPOSAL

08-10.09.2025 - ELETTRA, SISSA, UNITS

on line and in person

The European Research Council's (ERC's) mission is to encourage the highest quality research in Europe through competitive funding and to support investigator-driven frontier research across all fields, on the basis of scientific excellence. Being 'investigator-driven', or 'bottom-up', in nature, the ERC approach allows researchers to identify new opportunities and directions in any field of research, rather than being led by priorities set by politicians. This ensures that funds are channeled into new and promising areas of research with a greater degree of flexibility. The topics of this course include:

- ERC calls – Main features and eligibility criteria
- The competitive PI profile – who is “ERC Material”?
- What constitutes the required Scientific Excellence?
- How to present the project: examples and suggestions
- And more

Agenda

08 September, online - APRE Teams

09.30	OPENING AND INTRODUCTION
09.35	European Research Council – Starting, Consolidator Grant and Advanced grant funding schemes: introduction and eligibility criteria
10.45	<i>Question and answer session</i>
11.00	<i>Break</i>
11.15	The ERC budget
12.30	<i>End of the session</i>

09 September, Università di Trieste, room 3_B edificio D, Via Valerio 4.

10.00	OPENING AND INTRODUCTION
10.10	• How to present the project: examples and suggestions • What are the key elements of your ERC project? What is the important information to give in your project? What constitutes the required Scientific Excellence?
12.15	<i>Question and answer session</i>
12.30	<i>End of the session</i>
14.00	One-to-one meetings with ERC applicants

10 September – SISSA, room 005 Via Bonomea 265

10.00	OPENING AND INTRODUCTION
10.10	• The competitive PI profile – who is “ERC Material”? ▪ How to highlight the important info in your cv and track record sections
12.45	<i>Question and answer session</i>
13.00	<i>End of the session</i>

SPEAKER



Marco Ferraro has a background experiences in international cooperation. He has a post-graduation master degree on European Project Management and SMEs internationalization processes. From January 2012 to July 2013 he has worked for the European Parliament Information Office in Rome, being responsible for Communication activities of the Office. His main activities included the communication strategy planning and activities of the Office and he also worked with the Press Office in tight cooperation with the Italian Members of the European Parliament. Since he joined APRE in September 2013 he has been specializing in international cooperation, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions(MSCA) and European Research Council (ERC) programmes in Horizon 2020, giving him the role as National Contact Point (NCP) in APRE for both programmes. For MSCA, he is NCP for Italy since March 2014, for ERC, since September 2014. He is also involved in managing the following projects: Net4Mobility, Net4Mobility+, SiS.net2, SiS.net3 (HORIZON 2020) and INConet EaP (FP7). Last involvement was in the RESISTO project, where he is responsible for the dissemination and communication activities of the project and the financial and technical management of the project. He is also involved in the NCPs network projects for MSCA and Euratom programmes.

DETAILS OF THE WORKSHOP

Where	On line and in person: APRE teams
Attendees	Researchers and administrative staff.
Webinar Material	The presentation will be sent to all attendees.
Certificate of attendance	After the webinar, a certificate of attendance will be provided via mail to all attendees.