

## ERC Starting Grant 2020 Factsheet for Applicants

FAU welcomes applications from qualified researchers for ERC Grants. To improve the chances of success FAU offers **support and advice** during the application process. Please get in touch with the Office of EU Grants and Contracts and the Referentin of the Vice President for Research (VP-R) in good time.

### 1. FAU internal support

- FAU aims to ensure a high quality standard of ERC proposals. If you intend to apply for an ERC Starting Grant, please send an **abstract** of your proposal (1-2 pages) and your **CV (incl. publication list and third-party funding)** for a pre-check to VP-R Prof. Dr. Günter Leugering at least eight weeks before the call deadline (i.e. by 22.08.2019). You will receive feedback on whether an application is recommended.
- Please send the **full proposal** via e-mail (preferably as word document) to the Office of EU Grants and Contracts and to the Referentin of VP-R at least three weeks before the call deadline (i.e. by 26.09.2019).
- You will then receive the compulsory **Host Support Letter** (Commitment of the Host Institution to support the principal investigator (PI) and to assure the PI's scientific independence) by the Referentin of VP-R. It will either be signed by the President of FAU, Prof. Dr. Joachim Hornegger, or by the Medical Director of the Universitätsklinikum Erlangen (UKER), Prof. Dr. med. Heinrich Iro.

### 2. Call documents/where to submit

It is up to the applicant to create, complete and submit the proposal via the EU Funding & Tenders Portal:

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/topic-details/erc-2020-stg>

Please make sure you add the correct **Main Host Institution Contact** according to your affiliation (administrative forms, step 4):

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Applicants from UKER: Dr. Katrin Faber ([katrin.faber@uk-erlangen.de](mailto:katrin.faber@uk-erlangen.de)).

### 3. Deadlines

All disciplines	FAU pre-check	FAU full proposal	EU-deadline
ERC-2020-StG	22 August 2019	26 September 2019	16 October 2019 (17:00 Brussels time)

#### 4. Criteria for exclusion

**Proposals of ERC panel members:** In case you were/are a member of an ERC Starting Grant panel in the calls of 2018 and/or 2020, you are not allowed to submit a proposal.

**Contact with reviewers and panel members:** Applicants are not allowed to contact any reviewer or panel chair/member under any circumstance during the entire evaluation process. Otherwise, your proposal will be excluded from the evaluation ([www.ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/sql/erc/h2020-erc-se-rules-amended\\_en.pdf](http://www.ec.europa.eu/research/participants/data/ref/h2020/sql/erc/h2020-erc-se-rules-amended_en.pdf)).

#### 5. Further information

European Research Council: <https://erc.europa.eu/funding/starting-grants>

National contact point ERC: [www.nks-erc.de](http://www.nks-erc.de)

FAQ: <https://erc.europa.eu/funding/frequently-asked-questions/results>

#### 6. FAU Contacts

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