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ERCEA INFORMATION SESSION FOR PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATORS

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This conference aims to provide a platform for dialogue and best practice exchange between the ERC grantees (PIs) and the staff of the European Research Council, with regard to all stages of the grant implementation (legal, scientific, financial, communication, open access).

The gathering of grantees from French universities and research institutes will represent a great opportunity to show their scientific achievements and their experiences about the management of their teams.

ERC professionals will present the H2020 grant implementing rules and will also cover the best FP7 management practices. They will provide first-hand advice on all concrete aspects of grant management (legal, financial and scientific).



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AGENDA

09:30 Registration and networking breakfast

10:15 Welcome and Introduction

Mr/Ms...from Ministry, NCP

Mr Thierry PROST, Head of Unit, Grant Management Department, ERCEA

Morning session: Chaired by Thierry PROST, ERCEA

10:45 Specific role of the Principal Investigator in the ERC grants

- *Rights and Obligations under H2020 funding programmes;*
- *Rules governing International Agreements;*
- *Evaluation of Synergy grants and future plans;*
- *Proof of Concept Grants;*
- *PI's Social Rights, Working Conditions and - Gender balance in H2020.*

Ms. Veronica Williams, Head of Sector Amendments, Grant Management Department, ERCEA

11.30 Question and Answers

11:45 Principles of project management in ERC grants

- *Planning, budgeting and priority setting;*
- *Establishing deadlines;*
- *Recruiting and management of teams and conflict resolution;*
- *Performance supervision reporting;*
- *Financial monitoring;*
- *Project closure.*

Ms. Veronica Williams, Head of Sector Amendments, Grant Management, ERCEA

Dr Pascal Dissard, Head of Sector Project follow-up, Scientific Department, ERCEA

12:45 Lunch Break

Afternoon session: Chaired by Veronica WILLIAMS, ERCEA

13:45 Update on the status of France in Horizon 2020

3 PIs presentations

14:30 Scientific reporting and monitoring of ERC grants - Open Access



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- *Scientific reporting and monitoring*
- *Open Access in ERC grants and dissemination of results*

Dr Pascal Dissard, Head of Sector Project follow-up, Scientific Department, ERCEA

14:45 Questions and answers session

15:00 Coffee break

15:15 Implementation of ERC grants

Together with the ERC staff, the Principal Investigators will have the opportunity to take up concrete situations arising in the implementation of their grants and discuss the practicalities relating to correct application of rules.

Legal and contractual aspects: Amendments process for ERC FP7 and H2020 grants
(e.g. Change of Host Institution, extension, etc.)

Ms. Veronica Williams - Head of Sector Amendments, Grant Management Department, ERCEA

Principles of sound financial management

(Financial reporting, eligible costs, supporting documents (time sheets), equipment procurement, etc.)

Speaker to be decided

16:15 Questions and answers session - Panel ERC staff

16:45 Conclusion and end of the workshop