



## European Research Council (ERC) Synergy Grants

### Opportunities for Small Teams of Excellent Researchers

#### Thai Researchers Eligible

#### What are ERC Synergy Grants?

ERC Synergy grants support projects carried out by a group of two to four individual researchers who can employ researchers of any nationality as team members including Thai researchers. And it is possible to have one or more team members located in a third country such as Thailand.

This funding supports a team of researchers Investigators to jointly address ambitious research problems that could not be addressed by the individual Principal Investigators and their teams working alone.

While research must be conducted by all PIs in a public or private research organisation (known as a Host Institution, HI) in one of the EU [Member States](#) or [Associated Countries](#) - one Principal Investigator per Synergy Grant group can be hosted or engaged by an institution outside of the EU or Associated Countries, e.g. Thailand.

Applications can be made in any field of research.

#### How much?

Synergy Grants can be up to a maximum of € 10 million (THB 400 million) for a period of 6 years (*pro rata* for projects of shorter duration). An additional € 4 (THB 160 million) can be requested in the proposal in total to cover:

- eligible 'start-up' costs for Principal Investigators moving to the EU or an Associated Country from elsewhere as a consequence of receiving an ERC grant and/or
- the purchase of major equipment and/or
- access to large facilities.

An ERC grant can cover up to 100% of the total eligible direct costs of the research plus a contribution of 25% of the total eligible costs towards indirect costs.

#### How to Apply

ERC grant applications can only be submitted in response to a Call for Proposals. A call is open now and will close on 10 November 2021. Please note that this is an **annual call**. Calls are published on this page, the European Commission's [Funding and Tenders Portal](#) and in the Official Journal of the European Union.