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**Abstract:** The European Research Council (ERC) is an institution set up by the European Union. Its mission is to encourage the highest quality research in Europe through competitive funding and to support investigator-driven frontier research across all fields, based on scientific excellence.

ERC grant schemes are open to creative researchers of any age and nationality, residing anywhere in the world at the time of application, and wishing to carry out their research in Host Institutions based in the EU or associated country.

In this talk, we would like to present the ERC Work Programme, its grant schemes and opportunities.

#### Biography:

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