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The impact of ERC on BIST research: A grant holder perspective

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Would ERC-funded projects exist otherwise?

- * ERC can fulfil special requirements difficult to cover with “standard” funding
- * With “standard” funding, the project would develop differently, possibly with a lower risk taking



StG (29 BIST grants) - Pivotal boost in the early stage of a young scientist career

CoG (13 BIST grants) - An opportunity to consolidate a career. It often coincides with a significant change of research direction.

StG / CoG

Proposal preparation with a **5 - year projection** is a difficult but key process

In some cases a decisive step to get hired in a new institution

18 BIST grants

Back to more focus on Science

AdG

An opportunity to **evolve scientifically** and consider risky changes of research directions

An opportunity to form a multidisciplinary team and **extend the skill set** within the group

