The European Research Council (ERC) Synergy grants provide attractive and long-term funding that supports a team of researchers (Synergy Grant Group, SyG-Group) as they pursue groundbreaking and ambitious research problems that could not be addressed by the individual researchers working alone. Synergy projects should enable substantial advances at the frontiers of knowledge and have the potential to become a benchmark on a global scale.

Who can apply
A group of a minimum of two and a maximum of four researchers (SyG-Group), at any career stage. The SyG-Group should be able to demonstrate that they can successfully bring together all elements (such as skills, knowledge, experience, expertise, disciplines, methods, approaches, teams, and infrastructures) to address the scope and complexity of the research question.

Funding
Up to €10,000,000 for a period of six years.

Dates
The ERC-2025-SyG call opens 11 July 2024 with a deadline on 6 November 2024.

What to do once the call is open
- Contact your host institution early enough to organise their letter of support.
- Look at past ERC funded projects.
- Contact your ERC National Contact Point or your nearest Regional Office and allow enough time for reviews and feedback of the draft proposal.

How to apply
The calls are published on the Funding and Tenders Portal which contains all information about the call, the templates, and the submission process. If you do not have an account, you need to register on the portal. After that you can start your submission.

How we can support you
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- Proposal-related questions
- Proposal review
- Interview training session

Swiss participation in Synergy Grants
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Success rate
Synergy Grants are highly competitive with a success rate below 10%.