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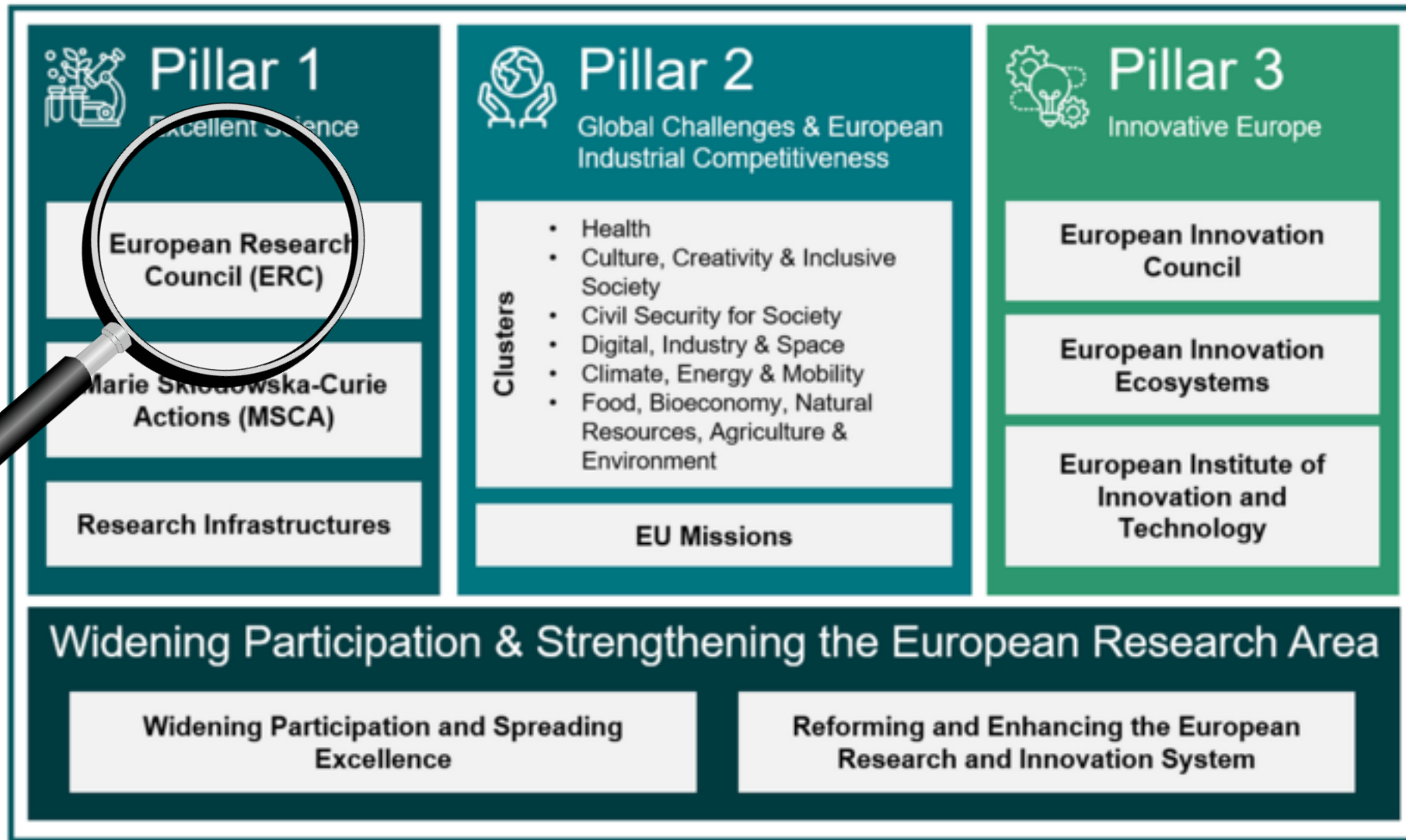


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SERVICE **4** SCIENCE

- 1. *EU Funding Programmes and International Funding Options***
- 2. *What's in for YOU***
 - *ERC*
 - *MSCA Doctoral Networks*
 - *MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowships*
 - *Horizon Europe Cluster & Missions*
- 3. *Services EU-Office***

HORIZON EUROPE





GRANTS OF THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH COUNCIL



Career Stage	ERC Scheme	Eligibility (years after PhD)	Funding (max.)	Main Goal
Early Career Postdoc, Junior Group Leader	ERC Starting Grant (StG)	2–7 years from 2027: 0-10	€1.5 M (+€1 M extra) / 5 yrs	Establish independent research team
Consolidation Stage Assistant / Tenure-track Professor, Junior PI	ERC Consolidator Grant (CoG)	7–12 years from 2027: 5-15	€2 M (+€1 M extra) / 5 yrs	Consolidate own team and research programme
Established Stage Full Professor, Senior PI	ERC Advanced Grant (AdG)	10+ years (strong track record)	€2.5 M (+€1 M extra) / 5 yrs	Support ground-breaking, high-risk projects led by world-class researchers
Collaborative PIs from any stage, often across institutions	ERC Synergy Grant (SyG)	Any (2–4 PIs)	€10 M (+€4 M extra) / 6 yrs	Combine complementary expertise for transformative research
Innovation follow-up ERC grantees (any stage)	ERC Proof of Concept (PoC)	Must hold active or recent ERC grant	€150 k / 18 mo	Bridge ERC results to innovation, market, or policy impact



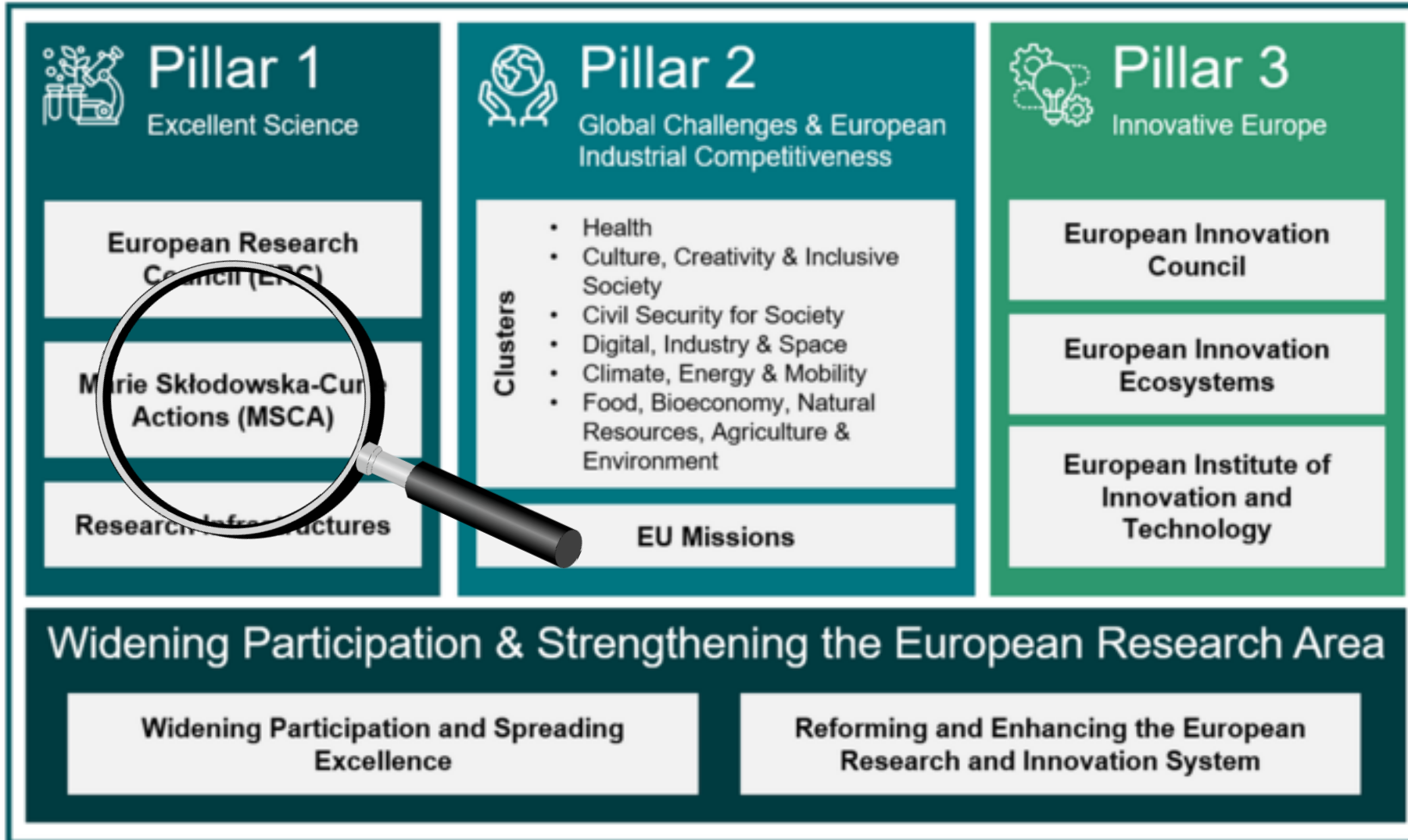
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GRANTS OF THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH COUNCIL



ERC Scheme	Main Goal	Attractive for Researchers	Institutional Benefit
ERC Starting Grant (StG)	Establish independent research team	Build first independent line of research, gain leadership experience, establish scientific visibility	Prestige of hosting ERC grantee, strengthens emerging research fields
ERC Consolidator Grant (CoG)	Consolidate own team and research programme	Strengthen independence, expand group, pursue ambitious high-risk ideas	Helps retain and empower mid-career talent, enhances research competitiveness
ERC Advanced Grant (AdG)	Support ground-breaking, high-risk projects led by world-class researchers	Freedom to push disciplinary boundaries and shape field directions	Major prestige and visibility, attracts top talent and partnerships
ERC Synergy Grant (SyG)	Combine complementary expertise for transformative research	Enables interdisciplinary, cross-institutional research	Strengthens strategic collaborations, raises institutional profile
ERC Proof of Concept (PoC)	Bridge ERC results to innovation, market, or policy impact	Explore commercial potential, technology transfer	Enhances knowledge valorisation, supports innovation ecosystem

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What's in for me: MSCA DOCTORAL NETWORKS



Career Stage	Role in DN	Main Benefits
Doctoral Researchers	Fellows	Funded PhD position, international training, secondments providing experience in academia and non-academic sectors, transferable skills, enhanced career prospects
Postdocs / Junior Faculty	(Co)-supervisors, trainers	Experience in mentoring young scientist & managing EU projects, improved track record, networking, publication opportunities
Senior Researchers / PIs	Supervisors, coordinators	Funding for research and supervision, leadership experience, networks for future consortium building, visibility & prestige, access to an international talent pool to enrich research team
Host Institution	Beneficiary / partner	Funding to host and train doctoral candidates, reputation, collaboration networks (incl. non-academic partners), capacity building & strengthened institutional capacity

What's in for me: MSCA POSTDOC FELLOWSHIPS



Career Stage	Main Goals	Key Benefits
Early Postdoc 1–3 years post PhD	Transition to scientific independence, strengthened CV for ERC-StG/ junior groups, broadened skills & networks	• Lead your own project for the first time • International and/or intersectoral mobility • Training in transferable skills (PM, DEC, IPR) • Exposure to top research environments • Mentoring & career planning support
Mid-Stage 3–6 years post PhD	Broadened interdisciplinary or intersectoral profile, independence or leadership, Competitiveness for tenure-track, ERC grants	• Opportunity to supervise ESR • High-impact publications with greater autonomy • Strategic collaboration with industry/non-academia, • visibility/ recognition • Enhanced grant-writing/ leadership experience
Transitioning Researcher (return from break/non- academic sector)	• Reintegration into EU research area • Boost publication/ collaboration record, • Smoother transition into senior, policy, or innovation roles	• Reintegration to EU/associated countries • Career restart after break/ time outside academia • Build bridges betw. Academic & applied research • Strong institutional and mentoring support



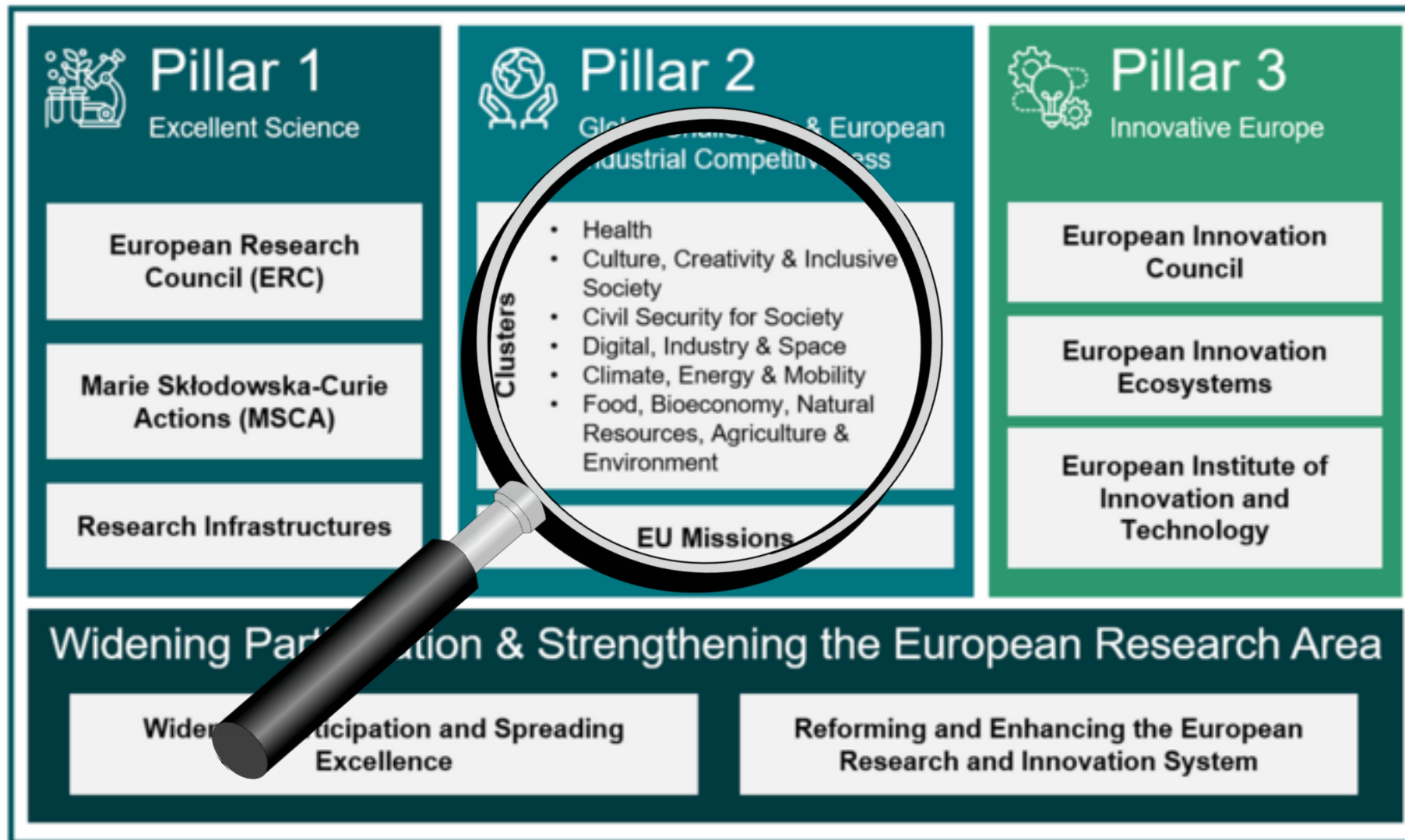
BENEFITS FOR ALL MSCA-FELLOWS

- Prestige & employability: MSCA = recognized mark of excellence
- Own position/ funding: Salary, mobility, and family allowances; research, training, and networking costs
- Excellent career development support via host institutions
- Networking opportunities: Access to MSCA Alumni Association & EU research networks
- Long-term career acceleration: Proven pathway to ERC, national funding, and stable academic or industry positions

BENEFITS FOR HOST INSTITUTION

- Finding additional manpower for research groups / junior group leaders
- Getting outside perspectives
- Headhunting for future appointments

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BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION IN EU COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS

(Cluster, Missions, European Partnerships)



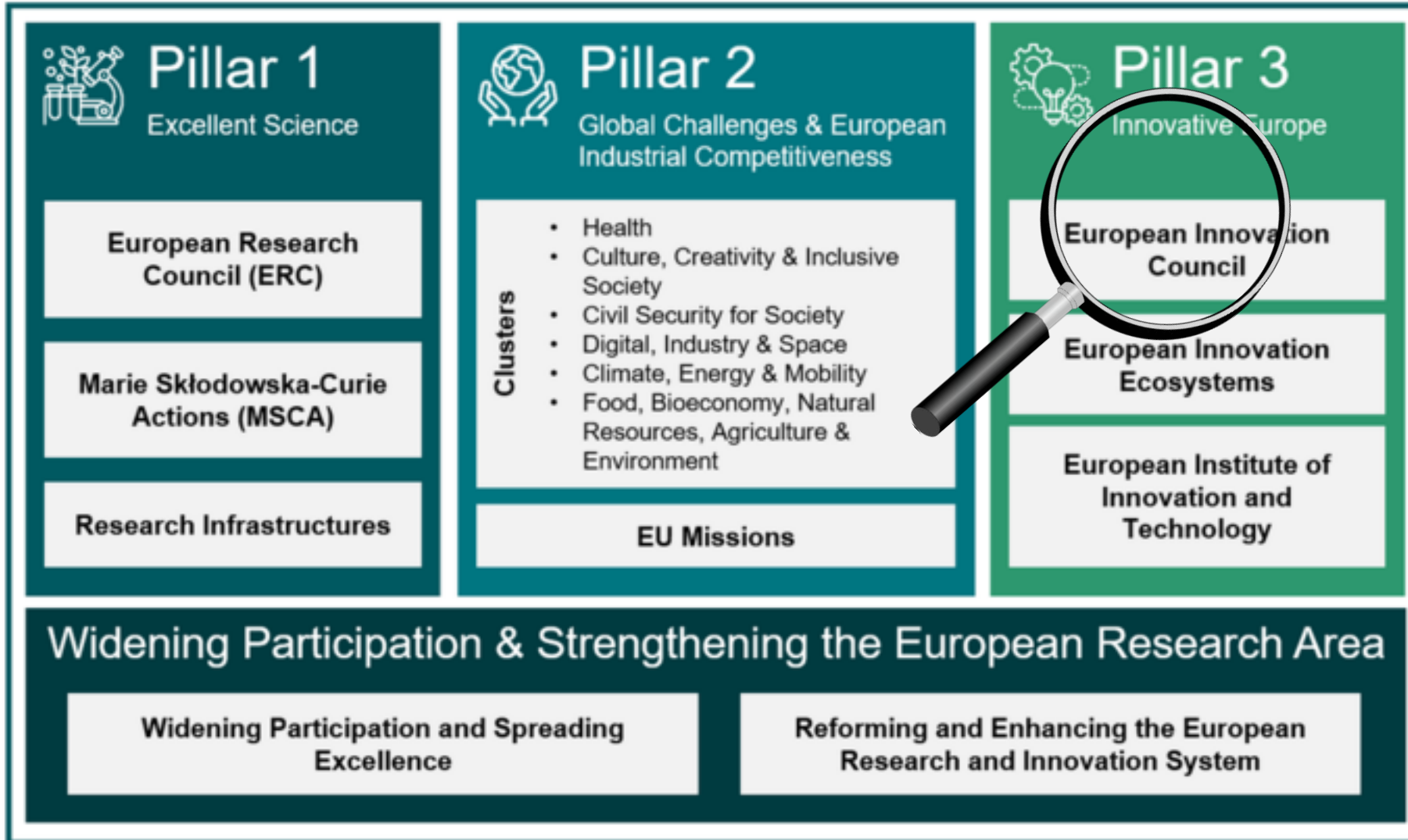
Stage	Key Roles	Main Benefits
Early-career	Researcher, Task Contributor	Hands-on experience in internat. research collaboration with top research teams, industry partners, policy makers, etc. Networking/ visibility for future staff positions/ collaborations Skill development: interdisciplinary research, PM, soft skills Publications/ dissemination opportunities
Mid-career	WP Leader, Co-PI	Leadership experience (work package leader, task coordinator) Strategic positioning: visibility as experts in a given field, enhanced competitiveness for ERC or coordination roles Access to resources: funding for team expansion & cutting-edge research infrastructure, data, and training activities
Senior	Coordinator, PI	Influence on European research and policy agendas Institutional visibility and leadership Access to large-scale, high-impact projects Legacy and mentoring; broader societal and policy impact

SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGES AND TRADE-OFFS



Category	Description
Administrative complexity	Proposal preparation and project management are highly time-consuming and bureaucratic — from grant agreements to reporting and audits.
Limited academic freedom	Research must fit into predefined EU priorities and policy goals, leaving less room for curiosity-driven or fundamental research.
Tedious Coordination of Proposal and Project	Frequent meetings, reporting duties, and communication among large, international consortia can reduce time for actual research.
Funding distribution	The project budget is spread across many partners, often leaving limited funding for individual researchers or labs.
Result ownership & IP	Complex intellectual property (IPR) and data sharing agreements can restrict how and when results are published.
Pressure to deliver impact	Strong emphasis on measurable outcomes, innovation, and societal impact may not align with traditional academic metrics.

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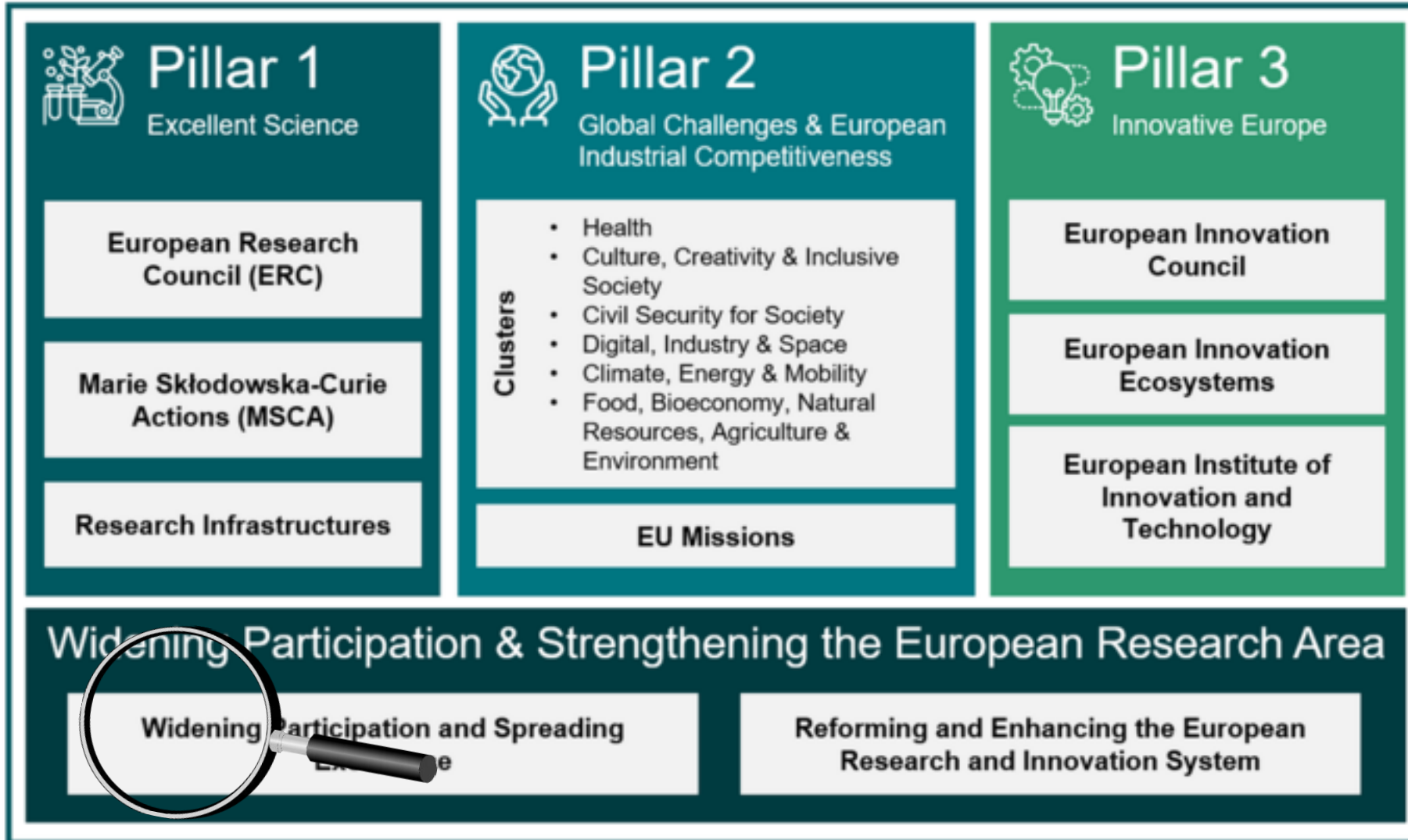


WHAT'S IN FOR ME: EIC FUNDING PROGRAMMES



Career Stage	Main EIC Scheme	Focus	Key Benefits
Early-career	EIC Pathfinder	Visionary, high-risk research	Freedom to explore disruptive ideas
Mid-career	EIC Transition	From lab results to technology validation	Develops innovation leadership
Senior / Entrepreneurial	EIC Accelerator (via spin-off)	Market deployment and scaling	Major funding & business growth
All levels	EIC Prizes / Ecosystem	Thematic innovation support	Visibility, networking, training

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WHAT'S IN FOR ME: WIDENING ACTIONS



WIDERA Scheme	Main Goals / Focus	Typical Career Stages Involved	Type of Funding / Activity
Twinning	Strengthen research excellence in a specific field of a Widening country through partnerships with advanced institutions (often including German universities or research centers).	Early-career (participants in training, exchanges) & mid-career (WP leaders, experts)	Institutional project (capacity building, networking, mobility)
Teaming for Excellence (Phases 1 & 2)	Establish or upgrade Centers of Excellence in Widening countries with guidance from high-performing institutions (German institutions often as strategic partners, not coordinators).	Mid-career & senior (scientific advisors, PIs, institutional leaders)	Institutional project (long-term capacity building, large-scale cooperation)
ERA-Talents	Promote intersectoral mobility and skills transfer between academia and non-academic sectors across Europe; German institutions often host or send researchers.	Early-career (fellows) and mid-career (mentors)	Individual mobility scheme (secondments, placements)

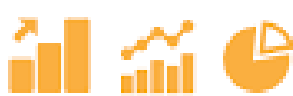
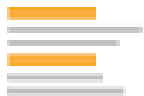
WHAT'S IN FOR ME: WIDENING ACTIONS



WIDERA Scheme	Main Goals / Focus	Typical Career Stages Involved	Type of Funding / Activity
Hop On Facility	Enable a Widening country partner to join an already running Horizon Europe project ; German institutions often <i>hosts</i> of original projects or join as support partners.	Mid-career & senior (project coordinators or PIs)	Institutional add-on (project extension to include Widening partners)
Excellence Hubs	Strengthen regional innovation ecosystems through cross-sectoral partnerships; German institutions may join as partners to connect innovation actors.	Mid-career & senior (innovation leaders, ecosystem partners)	Institutional innovation project (regional collaboration)
COST Actions <i>(aligned instrument)</i>	Support European research networking in an advancing research field via short-term missions, workshops, and training; very high participation from German researchers.	Early-career (networking, training schools) & mid-career (network chairs)	Networking & mobility funding (travel, meetings, short stays)

3. Service & Beratung für EU und internationale Forschungsförderprogramme

Tipps für
einen guten
Projektantrag



Sondierung

- *passende Förderprogramme (Europa und international)*
- *Rahmenbedingungen*

Förderberatung & Information

- *thematisch passende Calls*
- *mögliche Konsortialpartner*
- *förderpolitische Vorgaben*

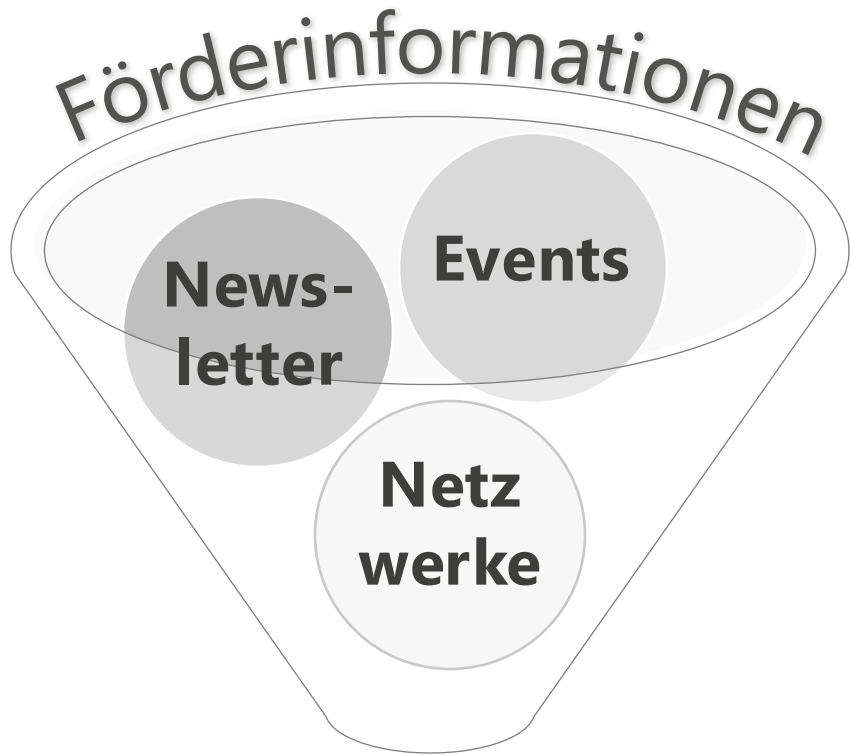
Vermittlung

- *Kooperationspartner, Seed Funding, Agenturen*

Antragsvorbereitung

- *Formalien (z.B. Vorgaben des Fördermittelgebers)*
- *Vorlagen*
- *Textbausteine*
- *Organisation von Projekttreffen*
- *Recherchen (ähnliche Projekte, passende Partner, etc.)*
- *Budgetplanung*

1. Sondierung Förderprogramme und Informationsaufbereitung



Auswertung
Aufbereitung

SERVICE4**SCIENCE**

- EU-Office Funding News
- Personalisierte Anregungen
- Infoveranstaltungen
- Matchmaking ELLS

MEHRWERT



**Beteiligung
Zeitersparnis
Erfolgsquote**

4. EU-TOOLBOX

🏠 Europäische und Internationale Forschungsförderung (EU-Office)



Startseite > Toolbox (intern)

DIESE SEITE MIT EU-TOOLBOX IST IM AUFBAU

Das A - Z der Antragstellung



A - B - C - D - E - F - G - H - I - J - K - L - M - N - O - P - Q - R -
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A-Z für das EU-Projektmanagement



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Archiv



- > Umfrageergebnisse
Wunsch-Box
- > Chronik Funding News

Wir sind für Sie da!



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Work in Progress

- Prozessbeschreibungen
- Vorlagen
- Templates zur Budgetkalkulation
- Textbausteine
- Handreichungen
- News
- Updates
- Best Practice

5. Vernetzungsplattform für Internationale Verbundprojekt-ManagerInnen



Phase 2: Projekt durchführen



Starten Sie mit der Planung direkt nach Förderzusage: Bitte vereinbaren oder buchen Sie einen Termin mit dem EU-Kompetenzteam (AW + EU-Office).

Konsultieren Sie stets die aktuellsten Vorlagen und Dokumente auf dem [EU Funding & Tenders Portal > Guidance & documents > Reference documents > Templates & forms](#).

Vernetzen Sie sich mit erfahrenen EU-ProjektmanagerInnen: [jeden 1. Montag des Monats](#)

Informieren Sie bitte das EU-Kompetenz-Team, falls es zu Änderungen gegenüber der geplanten Projektlaufzeit kommt oder zusätzlicher Input/ Audits erwartet werden.



[Projektmanager-Treff](#) jeden 1. Montag im Monat, 12-13 Uhr



Open Door & Coffee, freitags 13-17 Uhr im Wollgrasweg 43

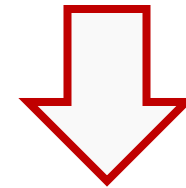
Projektabschluss & Reporting



Planen Sie Abschlussevent und Abschlussberichte mit genügend Vorlauf, damit die Informationen und Perspektiven aller Partner und Stakeholder einbezogen werden können und die Projektziele bestmöglich erreicht werden.

Nutzen Sie die aktuell vorgegebenen Templates des [EU Funding & Tenders Portals > Guidance & documents > Reference documents](#).

Denken Sie daran, die Stabsstelle für Pressearbeit, interne Kommunikation und Social Media zu informieren – die KollegInnen unterstützen gern.



Onboarding für Projektmanager und Koordinations-Neueinsteiger

Wissens- und Erfahrungstransfer (Organisational Memory)

6. EU- Netzwerkpflege und Support: Synergien für Kooperationen und Verbundanträge



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FOR LIFE SCIENCES

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Research-Support: Katerina Potapova



Koordinator: Iris Lewandowski
Research-Support: Evelyn Reinmuth



FuE-Support: Klaus Hadwiger (AAA)

7. Strategisches Monitoring & Beitrag zur Entwicklung einer UHOH-Förderstrategie



Indikatoren

1. Teilnahme und Output an EU und internationalen Förderprogrammen

- Anzahl der eingereichten EU-Projektanträge/ Erfolgsquote
- Anteil an Projekt-Koordinationen
- Gesamthöhe der eingeworbenen EU-Fördermittel.
- Anzahl der beteiligten Institute/ wiss. Nachwuchs

2. Netzwerk und Kooperation

- Gemeinsame Anträge mit ELLS, EBU
- Neue strategische Partnerschaften
- Teilnahme an EU-Netzwerken und Plattformen.

3. Impact

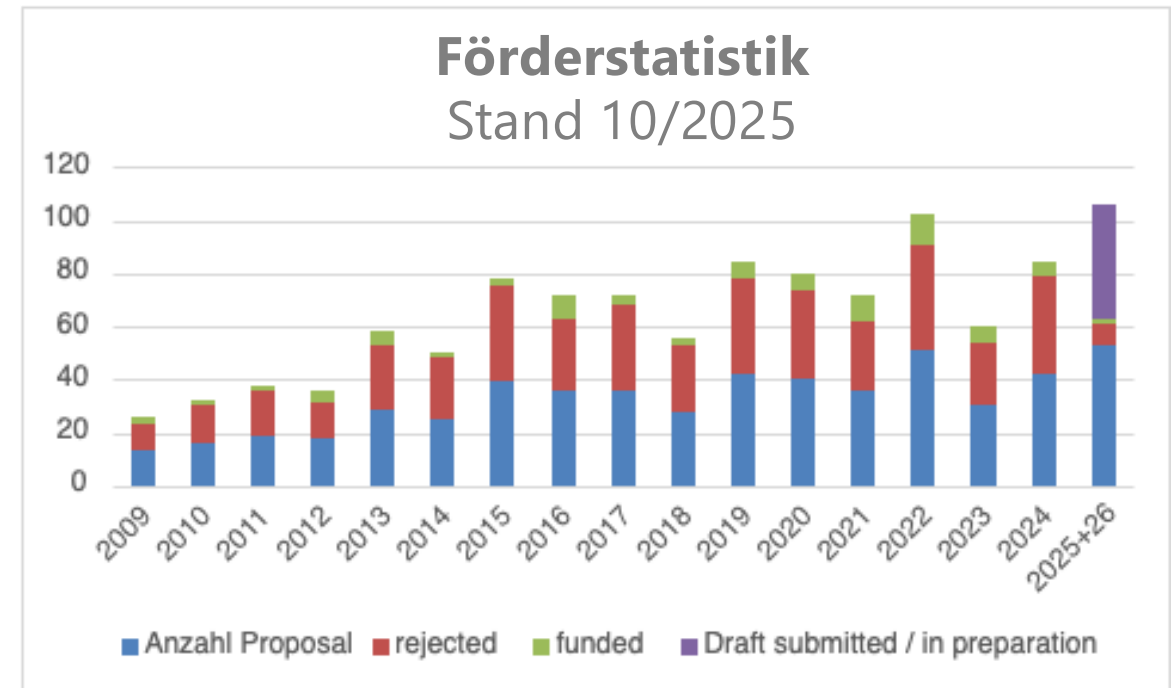
- wissenschaftlicher Output, Publikationen und Patente
- Beiträge zu politischen Strategien und Agenden
- Transfermaßnahmen in Gesellschaft und Wirtschaft

4. Service und Unterstützung

- Zufriedenheit der Forschenden mit Service
- Bearbeitungszeiten und Effizienz
- Anzahl von Schulungen und Trainings

5. Strategischer Beitrag zur Forschungsstrategie

- Steigerung der internationalen Sichtbarkeit der UHOH
- Positionierung in europäischen Forschungsclustern und. thematischen Exzellenzfeldern



8. QUALITÄTSSICHERUNG SERVICE



- Umfrage „Service EU-Office“



- Abstimmungstreffen mit AF1-4, AW, AAA, APO, Graduiertenakademie & anderen Einrichtungen



Open Door & Coffee, freitags

- NKS-Konsultationen und Austausch
- Fortbildungen

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