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The STARS funding programme welcomes young pioneers of frontier research, offering support to groundbreaking ideas with definite potential to turn into competitive proposals for international funding, including the prestigious ERC grants.

STARS grants are open to all scientific areas and will support two-year research projects to be developed in one of the 32 Departments of the University of Padua.

STARS Starting Grants (StGs) are addressed to PIs of any age and nationality, who intend to establish their own team and launch an independent research. Successful candidates will be offered a two-year position in Padua. Applicants should have obtained their first Doctoral Degree at least 2 and up to 7 years prior to 1st January 2021.

STARS Consolidator (CoGs) and Wild Card Grants (WiCs) are addressed to PIs who have already established their research activity in Padua and wish to consolidate their team, developing new ideas and projects.

Excellence is the only way to the STARS

Projects are evaluated based on their innovative nature, ambition and feasibility. PIs will be rewarded for their scientific skills, creativity, and commitment. Successful PIs, once enrolled in the STARS programme, will receive full support to **submit an ERC application**, choosing Padua as their Host Institution, either during the project or immediately after.

What we offer

STARS Grants offer a research budget of up to 80,000 € (Social Sciences and Humanities) or 140,000 € (Physical Sciences and Engineering, Life Sciences) for two years, plus a two-year fellowship for the PI of up to 32,000 € net amount/year (80,000 € gross amount for two years).

About the University of Padua, Italy

Padua has a long tradition and consolidated reputation for scientific excellence and its 32 Departments cover an exceptionally broad research scope in most branches of science. The STARS Programme is worth 7 million Euros over 2021-2023 and fully reflects the University engagement in frontier research and innovation.

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CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Opening date:

January 11th 2021

Closing date:

April 12th 2021

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