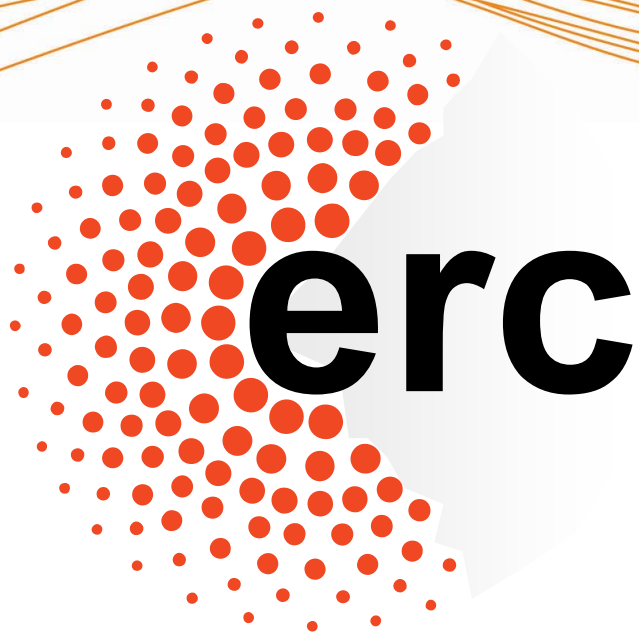




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ERC Grants Strategic principles

- **All fields of science and scholarship are eligible**
 - ☞ investigator-driven, bottom-up
- **Excellence is the only valid criterion**
 - ☞ individual team + research project
- **Independent individual teams in Europe**
 - ☞ nationality of researchers is not relevant
 - ☞ host organisation to be located in MS or AS
- **Investment in research talent**
 - ☞ Attractive, flexible grants, up to five years
 - ☞ under control of the Principal Investigator (PI)



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Ideas Specific Programme

Two streams of activity:

- 1. ERC Starting Independent Researcher Grant scheme (ERC Starting Grant)**
→ Call for proposals to be published in early 2007
- 2. ERC Advanced Investigator Researcher Grant scheme (ERC Advanced Grant)**
→ Call for proposals at a later stage

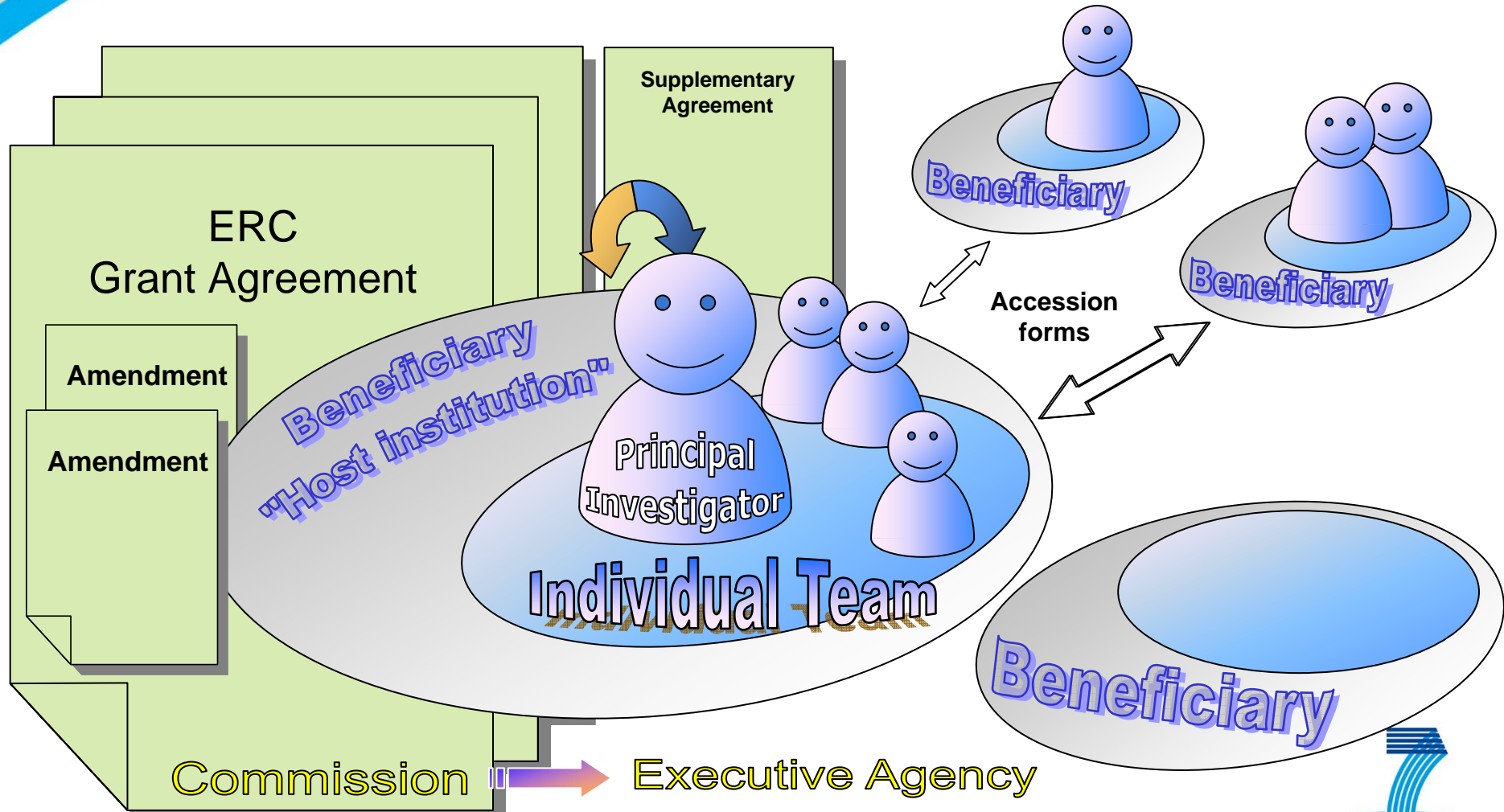
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ERC Grant Agreement



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ERC Grant Agreement Concept

- **Agreement between ERC and Principal Investigator's (PI's) hosting organisation (*principal beneficiary*)**
 - Rights/obligations on scientific, financial, ethical conduct and monitoring, eligible costs, IPR, amendments, grant portability
- **Supplementary Agreement between PI and its hosting organisation**
 - Rights/obligations: administration, project execution, IPR
- **Single grant holder approach**
 - PI and members from same organisation
 - But: multi-partner/multi-national teams are possible
- **There will be no “project negotiations”**
 - Grant agreement based on the proposal and the peer review decision (budget)
 - PI can accept/reject the offered grant

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ERC Grant Agreement Main Elements

- **Core Grant Agreement** (*between ERC and principal beneficiary*)
- **Description of work** (*Annex I*)
- **General Conditions** (*Annex II*)
- **Accession Form** (*if more than one beneficiary - Annex III*)
- **Financial Statement Form** (*Annex IV*)
- **Terms of reference for the certification of costs and on the methodology** (*Annex V*)
- **Supplementary Agreement** (*between PI and principal beneficiary*)

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Documentation

- **Specific text of “Call for Proposal”**
- **Ideas Work Programme for 2007**
- **ERC Guide for Applicants**
- **ERC Grant agreement**

Other:

- ERC Guide for Grant Holders
- ERC Guide for Peer Reviewers
- ERC Rules for the submission of proposals and the related evaluation, selection and award procedures



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Thank you !

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