

**News Release****ERC Advanced Grants competition: first results
Domain *Physical Sciences and Engineering***

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The European Research Council announces the first successful candidates in the ERC Advanced Grants competition in the domain Physical Sciences and Engineering, as endorsed by the Scientific Council. The first call for Advanced Grant proposals was announced at the end of last year with deadlines throughout the first half of 2008. The 28 February deadline for the domain of Physical Sciences and Engineering (PE) generated 997 applications.

The peer review process in this domain ran from March to June and involved ten evaluation panels, which have selected 105 successful Advanced Grants candidates. The names of the successful candidates (if their approval for publication was given to the ERC) are available at: http://erc.europa.eu/pdf/AdG1_ListPE_2008-07-31final.pdf.

The list of successful candidates in the domain of Social Sciences and Humanities will be published soon, whilst the lists for the domain of Life Sciences and the domain of Interdisciplinary research are due in the beginning of October.

Background information

Statistics on the proposals submitted to the first ERC Advanced Grant competition
http://erc.europa.eu/pdf/PressRelease_ERC_AdG1_Statistics_1.pdf

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