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# Mobilitas Pluss

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# Aims of Mobilitas Pluss

- Improve the international visibility of Estonian research, business and higher education and rise Estonia's attractiveness as a destination country for study and research.
- Strengthen the international competitiveness of Estonian researchers and research performing organizations, including companies.
- Support opportunities for Estonian R&D institutions and companies to collaborate with transnational research organizations and networks, including through synergy with Horizon 2020 actions.
- Expand international collaboration and professional development opportunities for the state, R&D institutions, higher education institutions, companies, students and academic staff by improving intersectoral and international mobility and cooperation (opportunities).



# Programme activities

- Support for post-docs and returning to Estonia (100 + 60 researchers)
- Support for applying for an ERC grant (20 grants, ~70 000€ per year)
- Support for top researchers (13 grants, 5 years, 180 000€ per year)
- Support for synergies with ERA activities:
  - Support for EIT projects (60 000 – 200 000€ per Project)
  - Support for ERA Chairs (up to 200 000€ per Project)
  - Support for ERA NETs (up to 150 000€ per Project)
- Liaison office in Brussels
- Marketing of Estonian Research „Research in Estonia“
- Support for trainings and study visits



# Support for post-docs and returning researchers

**Aim:** bring to Estonia 100 post-docs and 60 researchers who have left Estonia.

**Implementation:** there have been 3 calls for applications, 2 calls are yet to come.

	2016	2017	2018
Post-doc applicants	126	106	106
Post-doc grants	21	20	20
Returning researcher applicants	26	19	30
Returning researcher grants	17	12	14

# Support for ERC applicants

## 1. Support to researcher who have applied for an ERC grant, have reached the 2 stage of evaluation, but have not been funded

**Aim:** to support up to 20 researcher for up to 1,5 years so that they would continue their research in Estonia and submit a new ERC application.

**Implementation:** 9 projects have been supported so far, 1 researcher has received an ERC grant.

## 2. Study visits, consultations and trainings for researchers (with the focus on ERC)

**Aim:** to have at least 100 researchers participating at ERC Project writing trainings, interview trainings, study visits to ERC grant holders and consultations and inspire them to write ERC applications.

**Implementation:** 84 different researchers have participated so far.



# Support for top researchers

**Aim:** to bring high level researchers to Estonia, create their research groups here and supervise doctoral students.

**Implementation:** there have been 2 calls for applications and 13 grant have been awarded (projects last up to 5 years with the budget up to 180 000 € per year).

	2016	2017
Applications	29	27
Grants	7	6

# Support for synergies with ERA activities

**Aim:** to support ERA Chairs with their research expenses (up to 200 000 € per project), to support participation in EIT activities (60 000 – 200 000 € per project) and ERA-NET (up to 150 000 € per project) projects. We plan to support at least 30 projects.

**Implementation:** so far 4 ERA Chair holders, 3 EIT project partners and 15 ERA-NET projects have been supported.





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# Thank you!

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