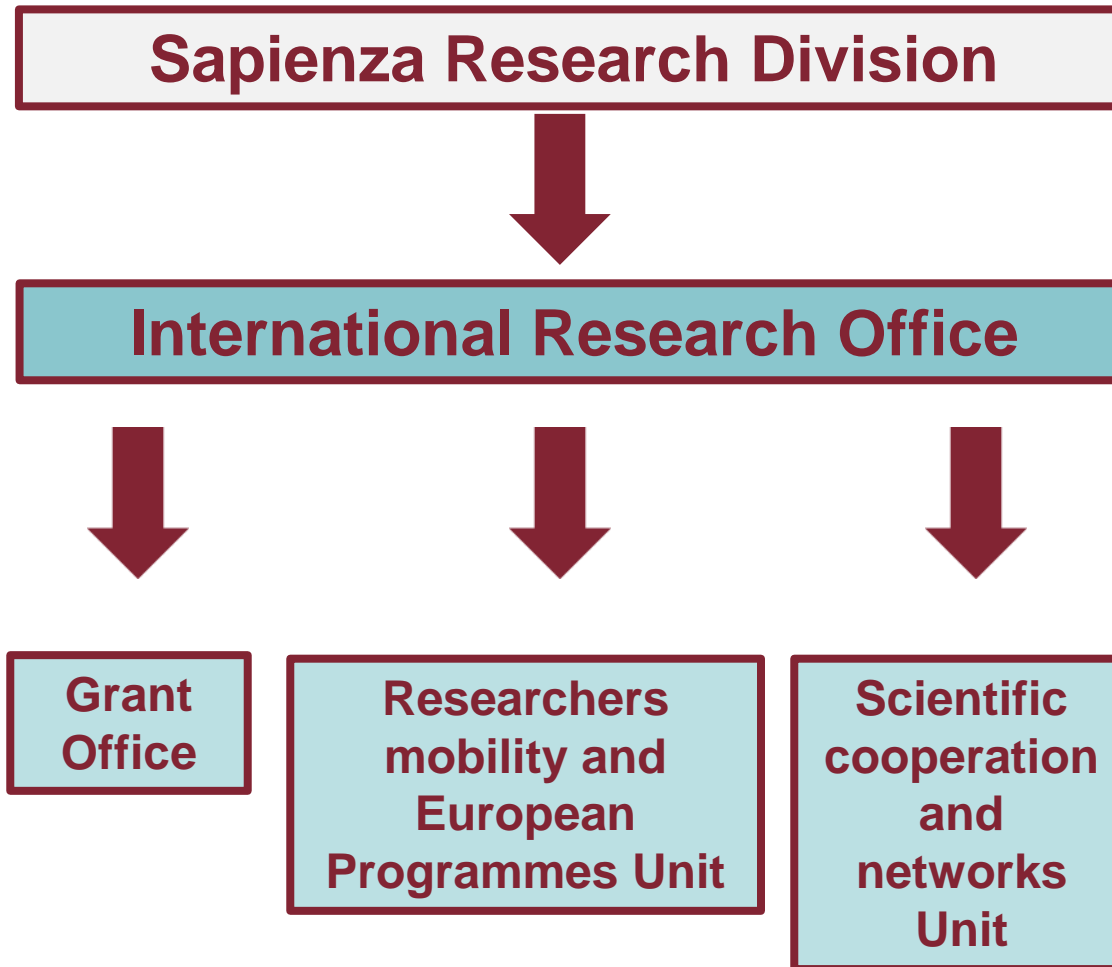# Collaborative project writing and networking in the context of Horizon Europe. Services and tools for supporting researchers

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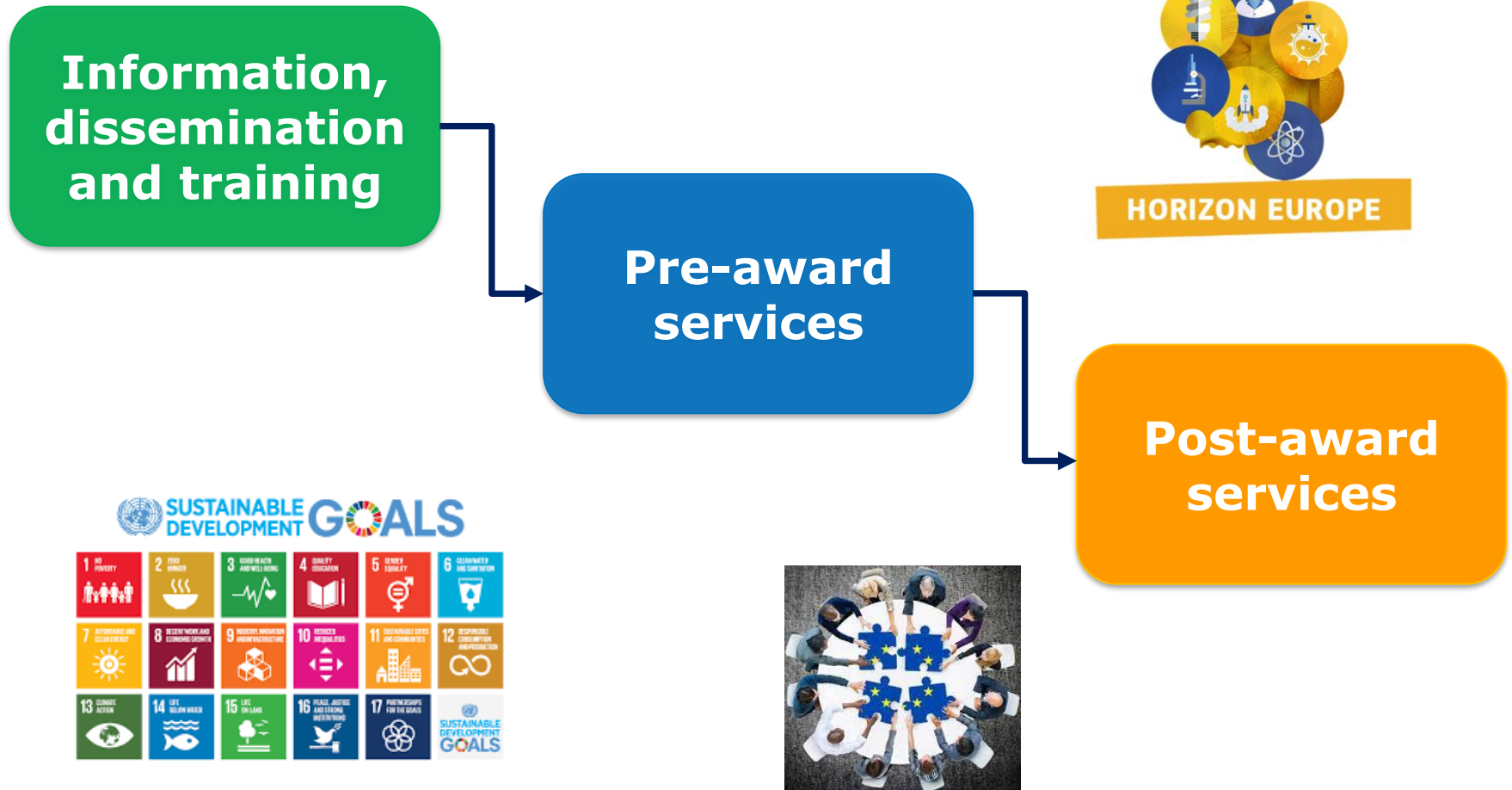Anna Gambogi – Head of International Research Office

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Grant Office

Researchers mobility and European Programmes Unit

Scientific cooperation and networks Unit

An overview of provided services

- **Information, dissemination and training services**;
- **Pre-award services** (supporting researchers interested in submitting application under European and international Programmes);
- **Post-award services** (supporting researchers and administrative staff in the management of projects);
- Support to the implementation and the monitoring of the **Human Resources Strategy for Researchers (HRS4R)**;
- Support to the participation in **national and international networks and working groups** (CIVIS, Codau, APRE, UNICA, ecc..).
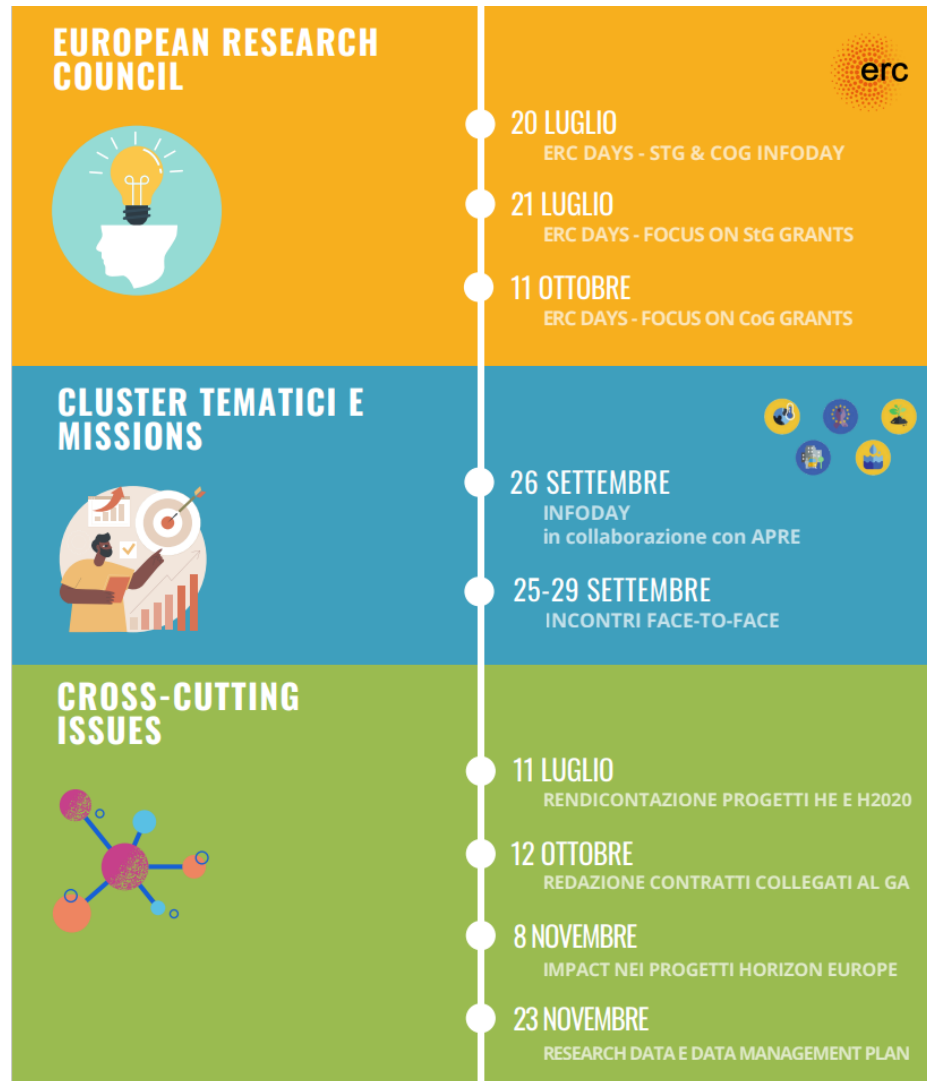
An overview of provided services

Information, dissemination and training

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Information, Dissemination and Training Services

- Organization of webinars, info-days and dissemination events;
- Meetings with researchers and academics at Department or Inter-departmental research centres;
- Training courses on proposal writing for scientific community or administrative staff;
- Targeted e-mail ad-hoc communication;
- Front office activities.

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Pre-award services

- Scouting and analysis of the call and the topic more suitable for the project idea;
- Technical assistance on Funding & Tender Portal;
- Support in drafting the administrative part of the proposal;
- Support in drafting the proposal budget;
- Pre-evaluation of the draft proposal;
- Analisys of the Evaluation Summary Report.

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Post-award services

- Technical Assistance in the preparation phase of Grant Agreement, Consortium Agreement, Partnership Agreement, etc;
- Supporting in the adoption of the reporting procedures and accounting rules required by the financing authority;
- Technical assistance in the case of a financial audit.

Calls funded by Sapienza budget

✓ to encourage the participation of researchers and academics in international research and development cooperation programmes

✓ to increase the number and quality of submitted proposals, as well as the chance to obtain international fellowships and grants

"Coordination of Horizon Europe collaborative projects" call for proposals is part of the initiatives promoted to boost participation in Horizon Europe and it is aimed to finance activities for the preparation and the submission of collaborative project proposals coordinated by Sapienza under this Programme.

The amount contribution is up to a maximum of € 10,000.00, for eligible costs related to the purchase of consultancy services, the organization of working meetings among potential consortium partners and the participation in training activities

"Award Horizon Europe" call for proposals is aimed to award Horizon Europe collaborative project proposals that have already been positively evaluated by the European Commission, even if they have not received funding.

The Award is a financial contribution, the amount of which is defined as follows:
- Project Coordinator: up to € 50,000.00
- Scientific supervisor: up to € 25,000.00

The grant holder can use the contribution to cover the costs of research activities, preferably aimed to prepare a new Horizon Europe proposal

"SAPIExcellence programme" aims to attract the most promising researchers, providing incentives to encourage them to participate in the Marie Skłodowska-Curie (MSCA) and ERC programmes indicating Sapienza as the Host Institution,

and to increase the chance to obtain fellowships and grants.

The programme encourage the return of young Italian researchers.

The programme is divided into **4 specific actions:**

BE FOR ERC

To assign **fellowships** for research projects of excellence lasting 12 months. **The call is open to all research areas and scientific sectors**. Beneficiaries of this call are principal investigators who have obtained their PhD (2-7 years before January 1, 2024 – call 2023) and have a very excellent scientific curriculum.

- Each fellowship will provide funds for a total of **€50,000** to be divided as follows:
- €40,000 to fund an annual research grant as Principal Investigator;
- €10,000 to cover costs directly related to research activities.

Add SAPIExcellence

Annual fellowships amounting to **€50,000** each to extend the duration of MSCA IF or ITN projects that have already been funded by the Commission by 12 months. The € 50,000 fellowship will allow a € 40,000 employment contract for each researcher and € 10,000 to cover expenses directly related to the research activities

Seal of SAPIExcellence

Fellowships amounting to **€ 50,000 each** to be granted to Sapienza proposals submitted under the MSCA-IF calls that have been awarded the "Seal of Excellence" by the evaluation Panel. The € 50,000 fellowship will allow a € 40,000 employment contract for each researcher and € 10,000 to cover expenses directly related to the research activities (i.e., purchase of laboratory equipment, consumables, travel expenses, etc.).

SEED of ERC

To finance researchers who have submitted a research proposal to ERC which has not been granted but has been evaluated A or B at the second evaluation step pf the ERC. The contribution is up to € 100.000,00 per year.
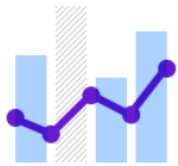
"Cooperation Development" call for proposals

Since 2009 Sapienza has launched a yearly call aimed at financing international cooperation projects with universities and research institutions formally recognized in developing countries in order to cooperate to regional development.

In line with the 17 Sustainable Development Goals of the United Nations 2030 Agenda, the call intends to enhance, mainly through "capacity and institutional building" actions, the contribution and role of Sapienza in favor of the "process of institutional strengthening (at local, national and/or supranational level) of skills and abilities, capable of providing for a phase of direct restitution in the territory as a measure of the effectiveness of the growth and training process (empowerment)".

Funding Institutional is an online tool that allows scientific community to identify new international funding opportunities compatible with their career and research interests.

Insights

Provides insight into the funding landscape by combining awarded grants, funder and funding opportunity data

Discovery

Identifies new funding sources through enhanced keyword or faceted search and tracking features

Decisions

Increases grant success rates with fact-based decision making and by identifying most eligible researchers and collaborators

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HR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

Human Resources Excellence in Research Award

The European Commission awarded Sapienza with the Human Resources Excellence in Research Award, implementing the principles of the European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers.

The award acknowledges the Sapienza's commitment to continuously improve its human resources policies in line with the European Charter for Researchers and the Code of Conduct for the Recruitment of Researchers.

Thank you for your attention!

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