

European research funding

European research funding is organized in multi-annual framework programs, the current framework program "Horizon Europe" covers the years 2021 to 2027 and is the ninth research framework program or FP9. It is adopted at the beginning of each period in a legal act by the three European institutions, the European Commission, the European Parliament and the Council of the European Union. Then it is the responsibility of the European Commission, in cooperation with the member states, to develop the work plans for the respective tenders and to publish individual "calls".

The overall framework is formed by the treaties on which the European Union is based. This also includes the multiannual financial framework. On this basis, the legal texts are adopted, that establish the multiannual research framework program "Horizon Europe". This includes for example the pillars of Horizon Europe. The work programmes for the individual areas of the program are usually set for two-year periods. In the Work Programmes, "Destinations" are set out, ie subject areas with clear objectives

In the "Destinations" individual calls are specified, ie the calls for proposals to which researchers apply.