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CALL FOR PROPOSALS

**OPENING DATE:
JANUARY 10TH 2019**

**CLOSING DATE:
APRIL 2ND 2019**

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The STARS funding programme welcomes young pioneers of frontier research, offering support to ground-breaking ideas with definite potential to turn into competitive proposals for international funding, including the prestigious ERC grants.

STARS grants are open to all scientific areas and will support two-year research projects to be developed in one of the 32 Departments of the University of Padova.

STARS Starting Grants (StGs) are addressed to PIs of any nationality who intend to establish their own team and launch an independent research. Successful candidates will be offered a two-year position in Padova.

Applicants should have obtained their first Doctoral Degree at least 2 and up to 7 years prior to 30 November 2018.

STARS Consolidator (CoGs) and **Wild Card Grants (WiCs)** are addressed to PIs who have already established their research activity in Padova and wish to consolidate their team, developing new ideas and projects.

Excellence is the only way to the STARS

Projects are evaluated based on their innovative nature, ambition and feasibility. PIs will be rewarded for their scientific skills, creativity, and commitment. Successful PIs, once enrolled in the STARS programme, will be strongly encouraged and receive full support to apply for the ERC grants indicating the University of Padova as their Host Institution.

What we offer

STARS Grants offer a research budget of up to 80,000 € (Social Sciences and Humanities) or 140,000 € (Physical Sciences and Engineering, Life Sciences) for two years, plus a two-year fellowship for the PI of up to 32,000 € net amount/year (80,000 € gross amount for two years).

About the University of Padova, Italy

Padova has a long tradition and consolidated reputation for scientific excellence (natureindex.com) and its 32 Departments cover an exceptionally broad research scope in most branches of science.

The STARS Programme is worth **7 million Euros** over 2019-2021 and fully reflects the University engagement in frontier research and innovation.