Open Access Requirements in Horizon 2020 ERC

Open Access to your H2020 ERC publications is an obligation:

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<td>• Deposit the final peer-reviewed manuscript (“postprint”) in a repository of your choice</td>
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<td>• Ensure open access to your postprint within 6 months (12 months for publications in the social sciences and humanities)</td>
<td>• Article processing charges are eligible for reimbursement during your project (part of your dissemination costs)</td>
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<td>→ Check embargo terms of your chosen publisher!</td>
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How can you make sure to comply?

You can take one of two paths to comply with Horizon 2020 ERC requirements:

Open Access to your Horizon 2020 research data

The EU expects research data from funded projects to be open. This obligation covers all thematic areas of Horizon 2020 ERC. You can opt out of this obligation at any stage for legitimate reasons.

Open research data:

• You are expected to share all data needed to validate the results presented in your publications, provided there are no legal, ethical or similar obstacles, and provided your research doesn’t lead to patents.
• You can choose the repository for your data publication.

Data Management Plan (DMP)

• You have to submit a first version of your DMP within the first 6 months of your project
• The EU provides DMP templates for H2020 (p.10) and ERC projects that include guidance on what to cover
• Your DMP is a living document with regular updates (mid-term and final reporting)

Please note: The costs for Data Management are fully eligible for funding and participation in the ORD pilot is not part of the evaluation of proposals.

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1 Exceptions are ERC PoC actions, SME instrument Ph1 actions, ERA-NET Cofund actions that do not produce data, EJP Cofund actions, and prizes.
Open Science Workshops

The Open Science Team at Bern University Library offer dedicated workshops to help you comply with the above regulations.

For 2021, the following dates are available:

- Thu, 19 August, 10.00 – 11.00 am
- Thu, 16 September, 2.00 – 3.00 pm
- Mon, 18 October, 3.00 – 4.00 pm
- Tue, 16 November, 2.00 – 3.00 pm

These workshops will take place via Zoom: https://unibe-ch.zoom.us/j/95800089527

Anyone from your research team who is interested in these workshops is also welcome!

Please let us know when you want to attend by mailing to openscience@ub.unibe.ch. You can join spontaneously as well, but workshops may be cancelled without further notice should there be no registrations.

“Directive on the implementation of EU projects”

Please note that the University of Bern requires you to confirm that you know your obligations vis-à-vis the EU. To do this, you are asked to sign a “Directive on the implementation of EU projects” the University has prepared. The Open Science Team will get in touch with you to help with that.