# Commitment of the host institution[[1]](#footnote-1), [[2]](#footnote-2), [[3]](#footnote-3)

*(to be printed on the official letterhead of the host institution)*

**The (Please enter) name of the legal entity that is associated to the proposal and may host the principal investigator and the project in case the application is successful, which is the *applicant legal entity*, confirms its intention to sign a supplementary agreement with (Please enter) name of the principal investigator in which the obligations listed below will be addressed, should the proposal entitled (Please enter) acronym : (Please enter) title of the proposal be retained.**

**Performance obligations of the applicant legal entity that will become the beneficiary of the grant agreement, should the proposal be retained and the preparation of the grant agreement be successfully concluded:**

**The *applicant legal entity* commits itself to engage the Principal Investigator for the duration of the grant and to:**

**a) ensure that the work will be performed under the scientific guidance of the *principal investigator* who is expected to devote:**

**- *in the case of a Starting Grant* at least 50% of her/his total working time to the ERCfunded project and spend at least 50% of her/his total working time in an EU Member State or associated country;**

**- *in the case of an Advanced Grant at least 30% of her/his total working time* to the ERCfunded**

**project and spend at least 50% of her/his total working time in an EU Member**

**State or associated country*.***

**b) carry out the work to be performed, as it will be identified in Annex I of the ERC Grant Agreement, taking into consideration the specific role of the *principal investigator*;**

**c) establish a *supplementary agreement* with the *principal investigator* which specifies that the *applicant legal entity* shall:**

**i) support the *principal investigator* in the management of the *team* and provide reasonable administrative assistance to the *principal investigator,* in particular as regards:**

**a. the timeliness and clarity of financial information,**

# b. the general management and reporting of finances,

**c. the advice on internal applicant legal entity strategies and ERC Executive Agency or Commission policies,**

**d. the organisation of project meetings as well as the general logistics of the project.**

**ii) provide research support to the principal investigator and his/her team members throughout the duration of the project in accordance with Annex I ERC Grant Agreement, in particular as regards infrastructure, equipment, products and other services as necessary for the conduct of the research;**

**iii) ensure that the principal investigator and his/her team members enjoy, on a royaltyfree basis, access rights to the background and the foreground needed for their activities under the project as specified in Annex I ERC Grant Agreement;**

**iv) guarantee adequate contractual conditions to the principal investigator, in particular as regards:**

**a. the provisions for annual, sickness and parental leave,**

**b. occupational health and safety standards,**

**c. the general social security scheme, such as pension rights.**

**v) ensure the necessary scientific autonomy of the principal investigator, in particular as regards:**

**a. the selection of other team members, hosted and engaged by the applicant legal entity or other legal entities, in line with profiles needed to conduct the research, including the appropriate advertisement;**

**b. the control over the budget in terms of its use to achieve the scientific objectives;**

**c. the authority to deliver scientific reports to the ERC Executive Agency;**

**d. the authority to publish as senior author and invite as co-authors only those who have contributed substantially to the reported work.**

**vi) inform the principal investigator of any circumstances affecting the implementation of the project or leading potentially to a suspension or termination of the ERC Grant Agreement;**

**vii) subject to the observance of applicable national law and to the agreement of the ERC Executive Agency, the transfer of the grant agreement as well as any prefinancing of the grant not covered by an accepted cost claim to a new legal entity, should the principal investigator request to transfer the entire project or part of it to this new legal entity. The applicant legal entity shall submit a substantiated request for amendment or notify the ERC Executive Agency in case of its objection to the transfer.**

**For the institution (applicant legal entity)**

**Name, Function, Email +Signature of legal representative**

**Stamp of institution (applicant legal entity)**

# IMPORTANT NOTE: All the above mentioned items are mandatory and shall be included in the commitment of the host institution.

1. A scanned copy of the signed statement should be uploaded electronically on EPSS in PDF format. More information can be found in the Guide for Applicants on ERC Grant Schemes. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. The statement of commitment of the host institution refers to most obligations of the host institution, which are stated in the ERC grant agreement (see article II.2 of the grant agreement). The ERC grant agreement is available on the ERC website at <http://erc.europa.eu>. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. This statement (on letterhead paper) shall be signed by the institution’s legal representative and stating his/her name, function, email address and stamp of the institution. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)