

Quality Assurance



- **High level EUROCORES Committee appointed by the ExBo**
- **Independent international Review Panels appointed by the EUROCORES Committee**
- **High quality peer review (improvement of referee database; peer review college)**
- **Minimum 3 referee reports; possibility of rebuttal**
- **Clear Conflict of Interest procedure**
- **Half page evaluation reports for proposals**

EUROCORES Committee



- **High ranking group of 7 persons appointed by ExBo**
- **Tasks**
 - ⇒ **Overall quality control of the scheme**
 - ⇒ **Selection of the themes after expert evaluation**
 - ⇒ **Judgement of the viability at the end of phase 1**
 - ⇒ **Appointment of the international Review Panel**

EUROCORES Letter of Intent

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The following ESF Member Organisations: @@@@

The following research funding organisations from EU Member States, not member of the ESF: @@@@

and the European Science Foundation,

- **CONSIDERING** the importance of coordination of national research funding in the light of the ERA and to address scale and scope in researcher driven research at the European level
- **RECOGNISING** the role of the EUROCORES scheme in this context
- **ACKNOWLEDGING** the efforts made to date to develop the EUROCORES Scheme and taking account of the experiences gained
- **WISHING TO** further improve and streamline the scheme and its procedures in order to make it cost effective scheme for collaboration of national research funding agencies and an attractive scheme for the top level scientists in Europe
- **HAVE AGREED** as follows

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Article 1

Objective

Article 2

Description of the EUROCORES Procedure

Article 3

Role of ESF

Article 4

Role of Participating Organisations

Article 5

Framework conditions

Article 6

Commitments ESF

To run a high quality (in its science content and procedures) and efficient scheme

Article 7

Commitments Participating Organisations

To contribute by meeting the agreed deadlines of the procedure and by giving clear (to be agreed) financial indications of their participation in specific EUROCORES

Article 8

New participants

Article 9

Entry into force and termination

Article 10

Amendments

Criteria for Theme selection



- **Scientific excellence of the theme:** potential to advance the frontline of science; innovativeness
- **Quality of the proponents:** is the European leadership in the field involved
- **Potential for European added value:** strength of Europe in a global context; need for scale and scope in the Theme
- **Potential as a EUROCORES programme** considering other initiatives