

Implementation days

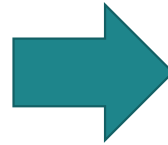
Implementation days

- Building on the success of Coordinators' Days we are revamping the CooDays in a more modern and direct tool
- Aim is reaching a wider audience, i.e. coordinators, participants, applicants, but also a broader range of stakeholders and their organisations.
- Covering all HE implementation areas

Implementation days

Coordinators' Days:

- Developed in Horizon 2020 as full-day, hybrid (both in Charlemagne and remote) sessions
- Addressed to grant coordinators, participants and other some stakeholders
- On:
 - Grant Agreement Preparation
 - Amendments and Reporting



Implementation Days:

- Extend target population to all participants
- Covering the same information as in the CooDay and further, aiming at limiting the risk of potential errors (e.g. on personnel costs).
- More focus on answering questions from participants,
- Three main thematic events
 - Submission and evaluation
 - Grant Agreement Preparation
 - Amendments and Reporting

The the first Horizon Europe CooDay GAP, in January 2022, has accumulated more than 176,000 views in YouTube!!

Implementation days

First implementation days announced in the Portal

- [Horizon Implementation Day: Finding opportunities and submitting a proposal in Horizon Europe - 5 October 2023](#)
- [Horizon Implementation Day: Grant Agreement Preparation in Horizon Europe - 17 October 2023](#)
- [Horizon Implementation Day: Grant Management in Horizon Europe - 24 October 2023](#)

Lump sum funding in Horizon Europe

Lump sums – where are we?

- Nearly 4000 proposals received
- More than 1000 grants signed
- About 400 projects completed

| | LS grants signed by end of 2022 | |
|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | Number | Value (EU contribution) |
| H2020 | 525 | 454.389.499,24 € |
| HE | 329 | 306.455.588,39 € |

| | Grants signed by end of 2022 | |
|---------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | Number | Value (EU contribution) |
| HE without LS | 4862 | 15.198.096.152,24 € |
| HE total | 5191 | 15.504.551.740,63 € |

Lump sum grants in 2023 - 2024

- Total number expected: **approx. 1600**
- Lump sums will be used mostly for **small or mid-sized grants**

| Grant size | Bracket | Percentage |
|------------------------|------------------|------------|
| Small or mid-sized | < EUR 5 million | 87% |
| Standard collaborative | EUR 5-10 million | 11% |
| Large | > EUR 10 million | 2% |

Roll-out of lump sum funding

- Prudent roll-out under Horizon Europe
- Very low volume in 2021 and 2022
- First significant wave in 2023 and 2024
 - More than 200 lump sum topics, mostly in Pillar 2, mostly for small and mid-sized projects
 - ERC Advanced Grants from 2024
 - Reaching approx. 20% of the call budget in 2024
 - + EIC grants from 2024 (to be confirmed)
- Commissioner-designate Iliana Ivanova mentioned in her hearing on 5 September
 - Lump sums as a key simplification measure
 - Their extension to Pillars 1 and 3

Lump sums in Horizon – developments

Dashboard for personnel costs

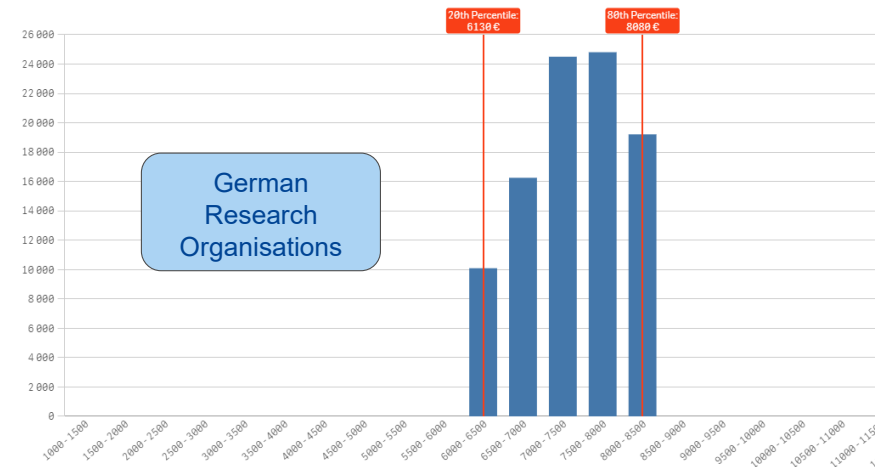
- Was republished in June 2023
- Using grant agreement data (2021 – today)
- Experts must use it to assess personnel costs

Ex-post reviews

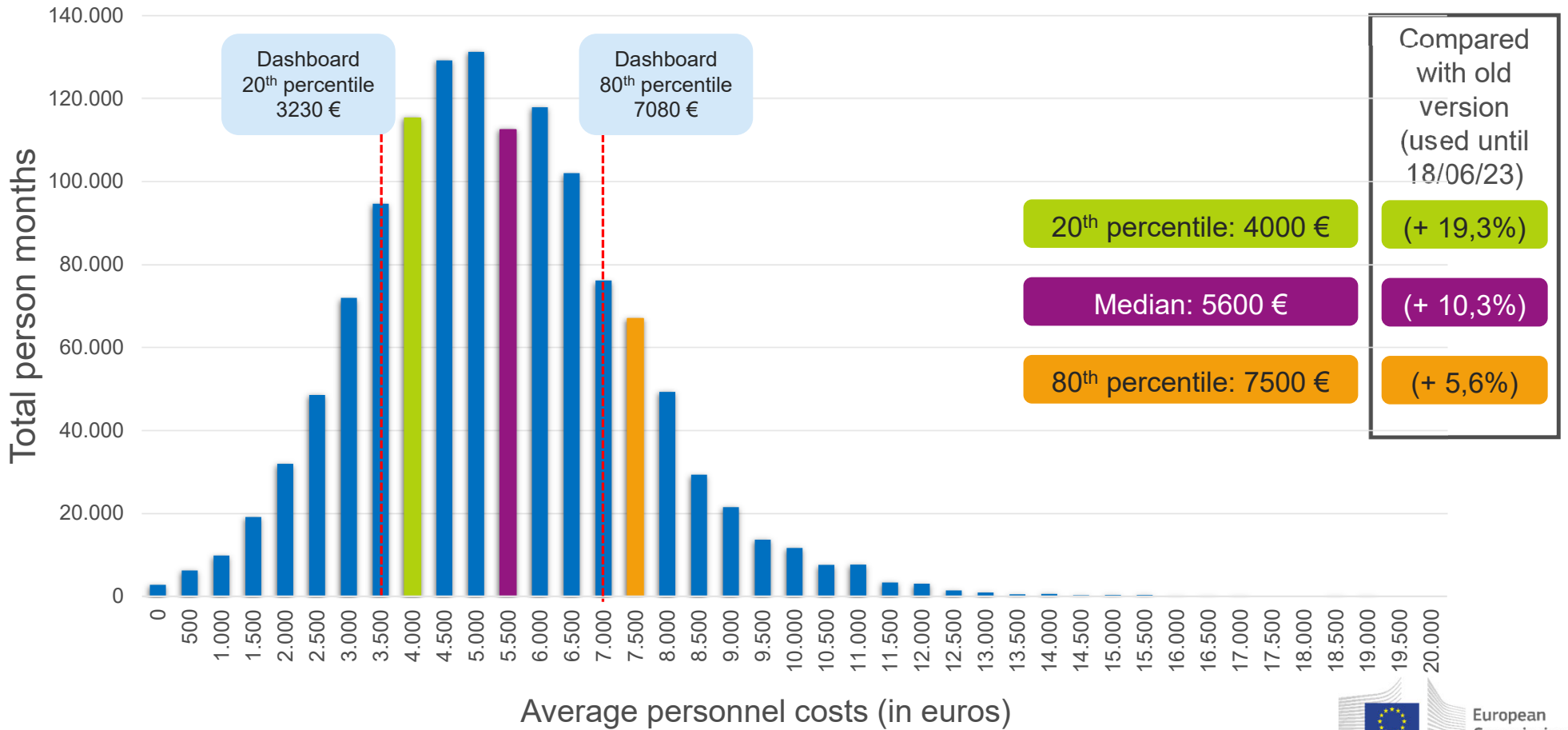
- No financial audits of lump sum grants
- Preparations for ex-post technical reviews is ongoing (for all grants)

European Court of Auditors

- Follow-up of recommendations (ECA Annual Report 2022)
- E.g. what is proper implementation, procurement rules, and double funding



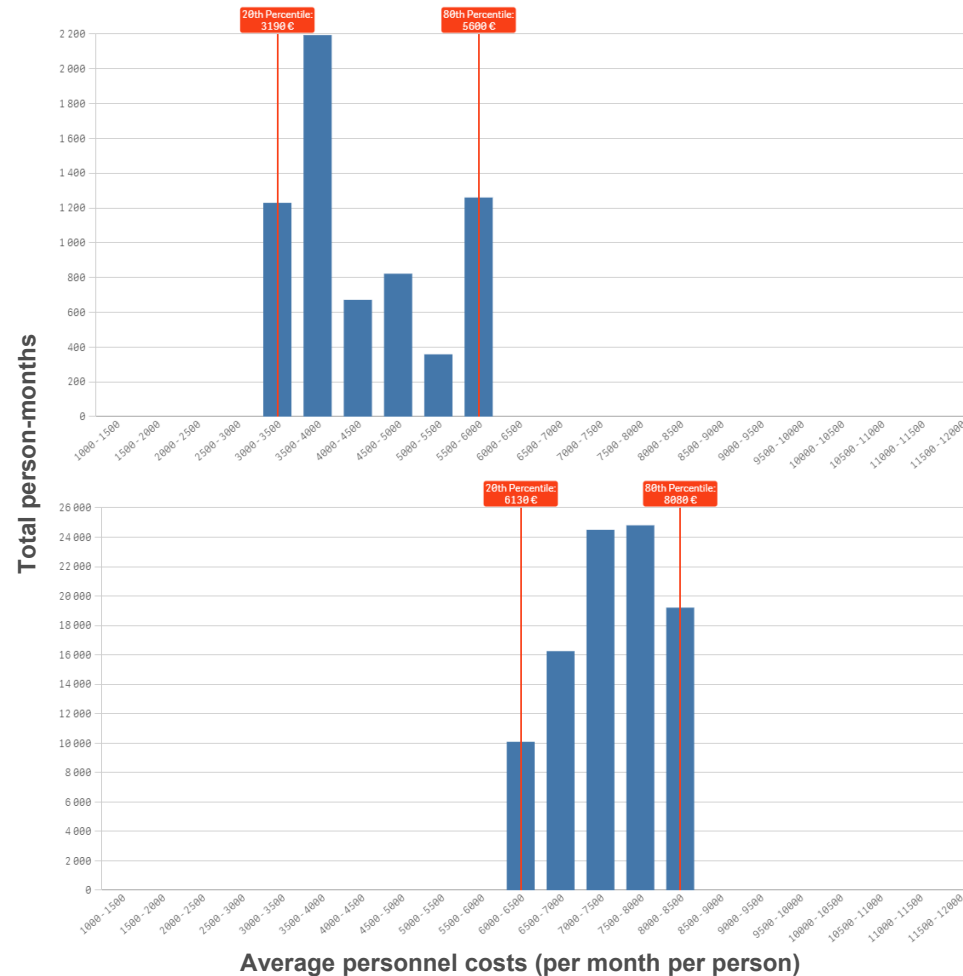
Horizon dashboard for lump sum evaluations: average personnel costs in Horizon Europe actual cost grants



Horizon dashboard for lump sum evaluations

- Latest version released on 19 June 2023, following intensive discussions with NCPs and the Programme Committee.
- Based on grants signed from 2021.
- Experts are briefed that the dashboard provides an orientation, no automatic cuts. Need for senior staff and inflation are mentioned as possible reasons for higher costs.
- Applicants are expected to justify high personnel costs (e.g., in the 'Any comments' tab of the detailed budget table).

Access the dashboard [here](#)



Personnel costs for **Research Organisations** in **Romania**

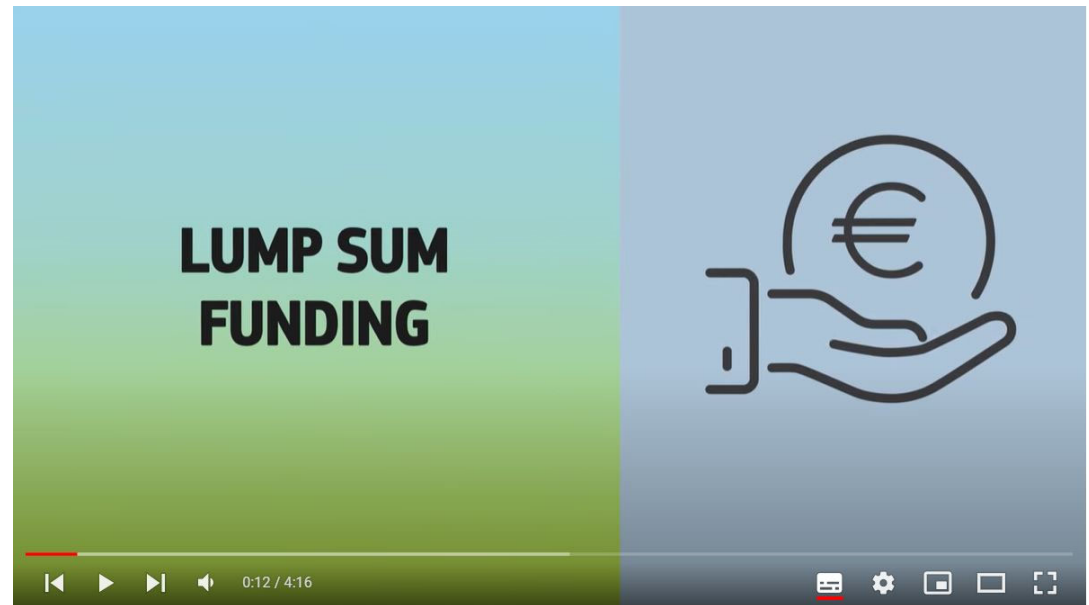
Personnel costs for **Research Organisations** in **Germany**

Video tutorial for experts and applicants

NEW!

3 lump sum videos targeted to experts but also useful for applicants:

- Overview of lump sum funding (published)
- Detailed budget table (published)
- Personnel costs dashboard (coming soon)



You can watch the videos via [EU Science & Innovation YouTube channel](#)

Find all lump sum guidance and support on the [Funding & Tenders Portal](#)



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