



Navigating ERC Funding: Insights for Researchers

Date: 09.06.2026

Time: 09:00-12:00

Venue: [Bilkent UNAM Conference Hall](#)

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09:00-09:30	Registration
09:30-09:40	Welcome & Introduction Bilkent Technology Transfer Office & METU Project Development Office
09:40-10:10	Overview of the European Research Council (ERC) Program Key schemes, funding structure, and recent updates or policy changes Aslı VURAL, ERC National Contact Point, TÜBİTAK
10:10-10:50	Insights from ERC Grant Holders: Experiences & Lessons Learned <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assoc. Prof. Dr. Efe TOKDEMİR – ERC 2025 Consolidator Grant Holder (SH2 Panel)• Prof. Dr. Mustafa YÜCEL – ERC 2021 Consolidator Grant Holder & ERC Ambassador (PE10 Panel)
10:50-11:10	Coffee Break
11:10-11:50	Beyond the Grant: ERC Conversations An Open Discussion Inside the ERC Mustafa YÜCEL (Consolidator Grant Holder & ERC Ambassador) Efe TOKDEMİR (Consolidator Grant Holder) Aslı VURAL (ERC National Contact Point) Sara Banu AKKAŞ (International Projects Expert) Mustafa Emin PALAZ (Founder, InnoSI) Nihan YILMAZ (Support Programs Coordinator)
11:50-12:00	Closing Remarks