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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Subject: Study on open access to publications and research data management and sharing within ERC projects

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Dear Madam/Sir,

Unit A1 "Support to the Scientific Council" of the European Research Council Executive Agency (ERCEA) has contracted a consortium led by the Public Policy and Management Institute (PPMI) to conduct the above mentioned study.


The study aims to provide a comprehensive overview of the attitudes and practices of ERC funded researchers concerning the provision of open access to publications, research data management and sharing, and open science more broadly. In addition, the study will identify common challenges encountered by ERC funded researchers as well as incentives and support available to them. The results of this study will directly feed into the further development of the ERC's specific approach in these areas.

The study foresees several types of data collection activities, including a web-based survey of ERC Principal Investigators. This survey is a key source of information for the assignment. Therefore I would be grateful if you agreed to participate in this survey and to provide the contractor with the information needed.

Please be assured that all data provided to the contractor will be used for the purpose of the study only. All personal data collected will remain confidential, in line with Regulation (EC) No 45/2001.

If you have any questions about the study, please feel free to contact Ms. Vilte Banelyte via e-mail at vilte@ppmi.lt or the contact person at the ERCEA, Dr. Dagmar Meyer, at the address ERC-MONITORING@ec.europa.eu.

Thank you in advance for your kind cooperation.



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