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**Max-Planck-Gesellschaft – Founded in 1948**



**„Insight must  
precede application.“**

**Max Planck, 1858-1947**

Founder of quantum theory,  
Nobel Prize in 1918

## EU Funding of the Max-Planck-Gesellschaft 1995 – 2015: € 883m; 2,089 Projects



Funding programme	Funded projects	Granted (m€)	Per year (m€)
Horizon 2020 (2014-2015)	166	134	67,0
FP7 (2007-2013)	754	465	66,4
FP6 (2003-2006)	430	147	36,8
FP5 (1999-2002)	382	83	20,8
FP4 (1995-1998)	357	54	13,5

Calculation: Granted funds on the basis of the data provided by the Participant Portal.

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## Optimization of Funding - Appropriate Flat-Rate -



***The flat-rate overhead rates  
provide for simple accounting.  
They should be retained.***

**Our actual indirect cost flat rate is around 50%.  
Horizon 2020 currently funds 25%.**

**The amount must be closer to  
the actual costs.**

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## Optimization of Funding Fewer Instruments



***Horizon 2020 is complex and suffers from its multitude of instruments.***

- Research & Innovation Action
- Innovation Action
- Coordination & Support Action
- Pre-Commercial Procurement
- Expert Contracts
- Public Procurement
- Inducement Prize
- Grant to identified beneficiary
- Framework Partnership agreement
- **+ other and mixed types of action**

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## Optimization of Funding Fewer Instruments



***Loans and similar financial instruments shall not be intensified !***

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## No Misuse of Funds



***The budget allocated to EU programmes should be used for these programmes only and ought not to be used by other political priorities.***

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## Less Rules and More Clarity - Single Rule Book -



***Complexity restrains transparency.***

- **All the crucial rules should be incorporated in the body of the law itself.**
- **No particular guidance notes, footnotes, annotated texts etc. for the sake of legal certainty**

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## Excellence is the Main Important Criterion



***Output-based funding  
is the coffin nail  
for the  
assertion of innovation.***



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## Great Chance



***The revision of the budget  
regulations provides the chance to  
further improve simplification,  
which can broaden and enhance  
the appeal of the EU.***

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**Use Your Chance!**



## **The ball lies on the penalty spot!**

