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**Keeping Researchers in Mind**

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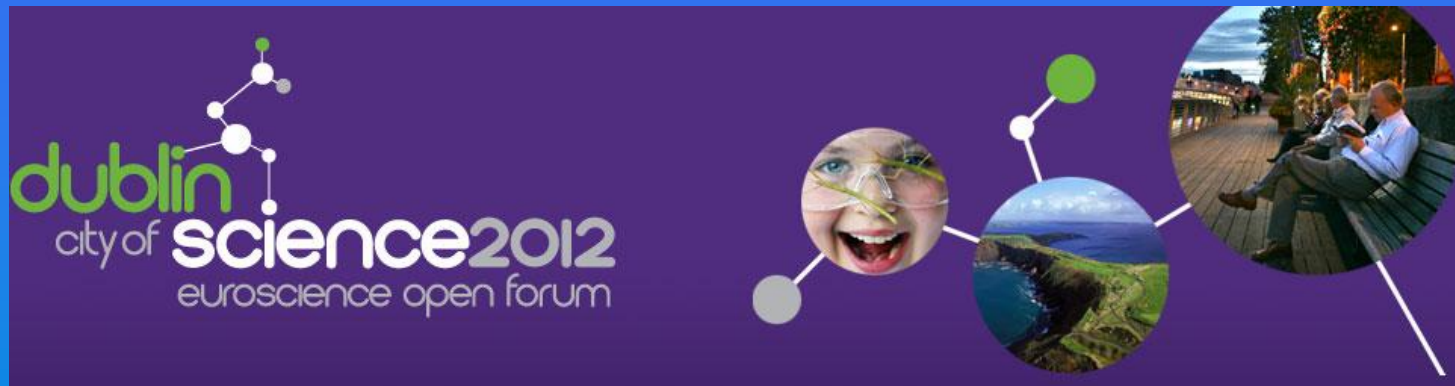
## **Researcher's perspective**

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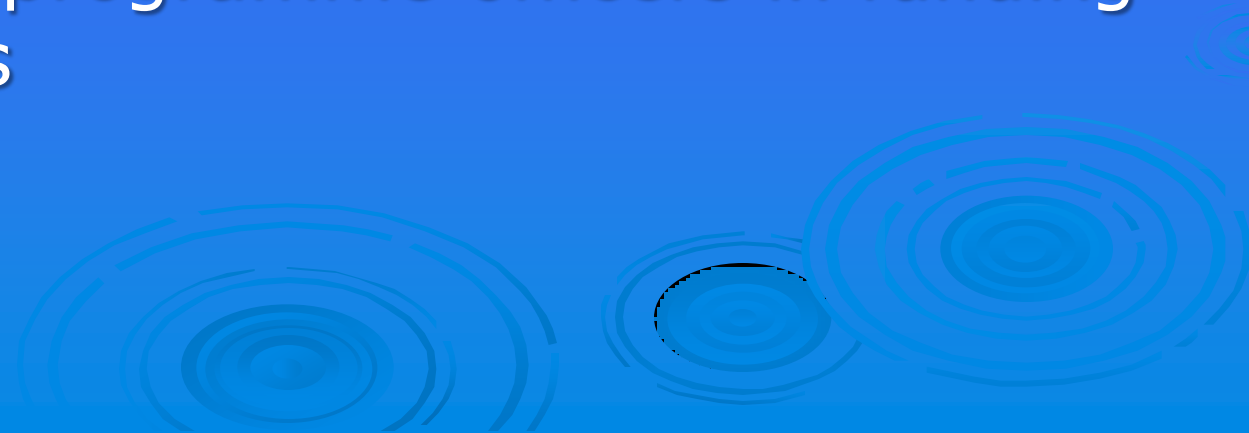


# Euroscience position/mood

- A variety of attitudes and traditions across Europe
- Peer Review has to be preserved. Scientists hate to see money spent in bad projects
- Scientists suffer "reviewer fatigue". This means that their advice has to be solicited only when necessary

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→ Few hints:

1. Don't overdo peer review, and facilitate it as much as possible
  2. For many things (conferences, travel money, small feasibility studies, etc) you don't need peer review but capable programme officers in funding agencies
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→ Few hints (cont'd):

3. Every funding agency needs to have a mechanism (they will be different, and none will be perfect) to stimulate risk taking
4. Similarly, there still is a big need to foster multi-or interdisciplinary research, another area where peer review is more difficult to organise



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