

Science Fund of the Republic of Serbia

Program for Excellent Projects of Young Researchers

Project Proposal Evaluation Form

Principal Investigator (PI):

Name and family name:

Scientific institution:

Project proposal title:

Project ID or acronym:

The Project proposal is evaluated in two rounds. The first round is by peer reviewers. The second round is by the Program Committee.

The evaluation is both descriptive and numerical (in terms of points). The maximal number of points for a project proposal is **100** (65 from peer reviewers and 35 from Program Committee).

EVALUATION BY REVIEWERS IN THE FIRST ROUND

The following criteria are applied in the **first** round by each reviewer:

- **Excellence** – evaluation of the scientific foundation and quality, ground-breaking nature, and excellence of the ideas on which the proposed research Project is based (30)¹:
 - Are the specific objectives for the Project clear and measurable? (5)
 - Are the specific objectives realistic and achievable within the duration of the Project? (5)
 - Is the proposed research scientifically well founded? (5)
 - Is the proposed research beyond the state-of-the-art and ground-breaking? (5)
 - Are the results of the proposed research significant and applicable? (5)
 - Does the proposed research have perspective? (5)
- **Impact** – evaluation of the potentials of the proposed research for answering to challenges defined by the Program (15):
 - Does the proposed research contribute to the development of new research groups, improvement of professional capacities of young scientists in the Republic of Serbia, and launching research in new areas and directions? (5)
 - Does the proposed research have an impact on the society, economy and environment? (5)
 - Are the proposed measures for dissemination and application of the results adequate and well planned, including open research and open data issues? (5)
- **Implementation** – evaluation of the research team and capacities for successful implementation of the Project (20):
 - What is the quality of credentials of the principal investigator, including his achievements during his/her higher education, verified scientific achievements and promotions in his/her career? What is the quality of credentials of other members of the Project team? (5)
 - Is the implementation plan realistic and is the risk management properly implemented? (5)

¹ Given in brackets is the maximal number of points for each criterion and question.

- Are the working conditions (space and equipment), provided by the Scientific institution(s) in which the participants will be employed during the implementation of the Project, adequate? (5)
- Is the budget realistic and well balanced? (5)

The total number of points in the first round: (65)

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION: Is the proposed research recommended for funding?

The numbers of points given by all reviewers are averaged. Thresholds based on the averaged numbers of points are:

- **Excellence** – >18 points (60 % of the maximal number of points);
- **Impact** – >9 points (60 % of the maximal number of points);
- **Implementation** – >12 points (60 % of the maximal number of points);
- **Total** – >45.5 points (70 % of the maximal number of points).

EVALUATION BY THE PROGRAM COMMITTEE

POSITION ON THE PRELIMINARY SHORT LIST (THE TOP PROPOSALS THAT ARE WITHIN THE DOUBLE BUDGET OF THE PUBLIC CALL):

PROGRAM COMMITTEE IN THE SECOND ROUND

The following criteria are applied in the **second** round by each member of the Program Committee:

- **Excellence** (10)
- **Impact** (10)
- **Implementation** (10)
- **Oral presentation** (5)

The total number of points in the second round: (35)

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION: Is the proposed research eligible for funding?

The numbers of points given by all members of the Program Committee are averaged and added to the number of points achieved in the first round.

The total number of points in both rounds: (100)

Threshold based on the total number of points is:

- >70 points (70 % of the maximal number of points);

POSITION ON THE SHORT LIST (THE TOP PROPOSALS THAT ARE WITHIN THE BUDGET OF THE PUBLIC CALL):