

RESEARCH PUBLICATION INCENTIVE SCHEME

Objective

The objective of the Scheme is to promote research publications in the publicly-funded Tertiary Education Institutions.

Financial Provision

The financial provision for this Scheme is MRU 3.0 m. Institutions will be paid a fee of MUR 10,000 per peer-reviewed journal publication*.

Conditions/ Criteria

- Payment will be made to the public TEIs upon submission of a copy of the peer-reviewed publication.
- The incentive rewards are for staff occupying academic positions and MPhil/PhD students who have published with the academics and are still registered at the university within the public TEIs only and **not** for researchers involved in Research Chairs and Centres of Excellence or researchers external to the institution.

Implementation Modalities

- TEC launches call for submission of peer-reviewed publications at the start of each financial year.
- Applicants should submit a full list of research published or accepted to be published in refereed journals during the last financial year as per the template provided on the TEC's website.
- Copies of the Papers that have been published or accepted to be published within the time frame (Financial Year: July 01 to June 30) must be submitted with the list.
- The Technical Committee at the level of the Commission will evaluate all submissions and make recommendations to the TEC Board for approval. All decisions of the TEC Board are final.
- Preference will be given to international refereed journal publications. In case the amount requested by TEIs (in respect of articles already published) falls short of the amount budgeted under the Scheme, the Commission will consider funding research articles which have been 'accepted' for publication and in the process of being published, subject to available funding.

**No publication where a fee has been paid to publish the paper will be considered under the scheme.*

Funding Mechanism

- a. Each institution receiving the publication monies will be able to retain a maximum of 30% for administrative purposes. These amounts should be utilised to further boost the research agenda at each institution.
- b. The remaining 70% will be distributed to the author(s). The institution will set up for each author a research fund in their names. The funds in the account can be utilised for any research related activity (e.g. conferences, buying equipment, hiring of research assistance, etc.). No funds can be used as direct payment to the authors. Where there is multiple authorship, the award will be shared pro-rata.
- c. In case the amount requested by TEIs (in respect of articles already published) falls short of the amount budgeted under the Scheme, the Commission will consider funding research articles which have been 'accepted' for publication and in the process of being published, subject to available funding.
- d. In case of multiple authorships, the award shall be shared equally among the authors. When the co-authors are from another institution, the institution where the first author is attached is required to transfer the fund to the co-authors' institution, and the secondary institution should liaise with the other institution, requesting the transfer along with the publication information.