

Instructions to Reviewers and Evaluation Groups

Field: Social Sciences

In addition the review form, please read the instructions for the application of projects/programmes, which specify what was expected in each filled-in column.

I. ASSUMPTIONS AND OBJECTIVES OF PROPOSED RESEARCH

- Are the assumptions and objectives of research scientifically relevant?
- Do they comply with the short-term and long-term strategic directions of the research in the Republic of Croatia?

II. PLAN AND METHODOLOGY OF RESEARCH

- Are the project tasks realistic and in accordance with the suggested goals and assumptions?
- Can the suggested plan be achieved with regards to the project duration (i.e. can the study be conducted within the shorter time)?
- Are the expected results realistic in terms of the suggested plan of work and the number of researchers involved in the project?
- Take into account the type of research as the expected results and their potential implementation can vary depending on whether the proposed research is basic or applied.

III. SENIOR RESEARCHERS'S COMPETENCE

- The column «Current status in the field» should give evidence to good and detailed familiarity with the subject that is to be researched and not only to senior researcher's previous work.
- In the evaluation of the senior researcher's competence, check the list of the enclosed scientific papers in the project application (in the last 5 years), list of all papers in the Croatian Scientific Bibliography (bib.irb.hr) and CV, plus evaluate to what extent is the previous senior researcher's work in compliance with the proposed research (study the previous project management, international cooperation etc.).

IV. COMPETENCE OF RESEARCH TEAM

- Does the size of the team correspond to the suggested project tasks (the team can be smaller than expected if the employment of new junior researchers (scientific novices) is planned, but it should not be too large in comparison to the set goals)?
- Check the list of enclosed scientific papers in the project application (in the last 5 years), list of all papers in the Croatian Scientific Bibliography (bib.irb.hr) and CV of each collaborator.

V. FEASIBILITY OF PROJECT WITH USE OF EXISTING EQUIPMENT AND SPACE

- Do the research team and the institution where the project is to be implemented have the appropriate scientific and research equipment?
- Are the space conditions satisfactory for the implementation of the project?

VI. BUDGET EVALUATION

- Is the distribution of funds per item realistic?
- Do the expected results correspond to the total project budget?