



EXPERT TEAMS OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE CENTRE - FORMATION AND APPOINTING

§ 1. Whenever this document refers to:

- 1) NCN, it shall be understood as the National Science Centre;
- 2) NCN grants, it shall be understood as NCN funding for research projects, post-doctoral fellowships, doctoral scholarships and research activities;
- 3) NCN grant proposal, it shall be understood as a proposal submitted in response to a call announced by the NCN;
- 4) NCN Council Committees (the "Committees"), they shall be understood as the main Committees of the NCN Council, i.e. Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Committee (K-1), Physical Sciences and Engineering Committee (K-2) and Life Sciences Committee (K-3); and
- 5) disciplines or groups of disciplines, they shall be understood as the NCN panels covering the whole research domain in three research fields: Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences (HS), Physical Sciences and Engineering (ST) and Life Sciences (NZ).

§ 2. Members of the Expert Teams at the National Science Centre shall evaluate the NCN grant proposals and report on the implementation of grant programmes. Experts can include eminent Polish and foreign researchers holding at least a doctorate, in particular NCN grant winners.

§ 3. Expert Teams evaluating NCN grant proposals shall be appointed for each call in individual disciplines or groups of disciplines. Expert Teams evaluating reports on the implementation of NCN grant programmes shall be appointed in specific research fields (i.e. HS, ST or NZ) for a particular term of office.

§ 4. In the case of calls for funding research projects, post-doctoral fellowships and doctoral scholarships, the Coordinators shall propose the candidates to the Expert Teams, having regard to the number and topics of proposals, skills of the candidates, their work place, conflicts of interest and experience in the work of the Expert Teams.

§ 5. One can be an Expert Team member in three successive calls at the most and no more often than five times over a period of two years. One can be an Expert Team member in a call concerning a research activity in two successive calls at the most and following a break of at least one open call. One can be an Expert Team member evaluating reports on the implementation of NCN grant programmes in two successive terms of office at the most and following a break of at least one term of office.



§ 6. The NCN Council members shall name the candidates to the Expert Teams and candidates for chairmen of the Expert Teams. An Expert Team evaluating proposals in a call concerning a research activity shall have no chairman.

§ 7. Pursuant to the recommendations of the NCN Council members, the Coordinators shall contact the candidates to the Expert Teams. If a candidate refuse to work in an Expert Team, the NCN Council members shall suggest a new candidate until such time as the Expert Team is complete.

§ 8. The Coordinators shall deliver the lists of candidates to the Expert Teams and candidates for chairmen thereof to the NCN Council Committees for their approval.

§ 9. The NCN Council Office shall provide the Chairman of the NCN Council with lists of candidates to the Expert Teams and chairmen thereof, as approved by the Committees.

§ 10. The NCN Council shall appoint the Expert Teams and chairmen thereof by way of a resolution.

§ 11. Once a resolution has been adopted, the Chairman of the NCN Council shall request that the NCN Director appoint selected experts to the Expert Teams and chairmen thereof.

§ 12. The NCN Council may decide to appoint auxiliary Expert Team members during a call or term of office of the Expert Teams evaluating reports on the implementation of NCN grant programmes if it proves necessary for the effective evaluation process.

§ 13. In duly justified cases, the NCN Director may dismiss an Expert Team member at any stage of the evaluation process.

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