

Masaryk University Directive No. 8/2017

GRANT AGENCY OF MASARYK UNIVERSITY

(in the version effective from 9 September 2020)

In accordance with Section 10(1) of Act No. 111/1998 Coll., on Higher Education Institutions and on modifications and amendments to other acts (Higher Education Act), as amended by subsequent regulations (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), I issue this Directive:

Section 1

Subject of Regulation

This Directive regulates the rules of the Grant Agency of Masaryk University (hereinafter referred to as "GAMU"), which supports the research and creative activities of Masaryk University (MU), namely:

- a) projects of the Rector's programme to support students' creative activities (preparation of Master's theses),
- b) projects within the Research Support Programme concerning research activities of MU employees as part of the long-term conceptual development of a research organisation in accordance with Section 3(3) Act No. 130/2002 Coll.,

on the Support of Research, Experimental Development and Innovation from Public Funds and on the amendment of certain related acts (Act on the Support of Research, Experimental Development and Innovation), as amended by subsequent regulations.

Section 2

Common Provisions

- (1) The GAMU support may be implemented in the form of a research project or through other tools specified in Appendix 1.
- (2) The GAMU projects are MU internal projects within the meaning of MU Directive "Project Management" and other relevant legal regulations and MU regulations.
- (3) The GAMU projects are funded from the institutional support toward long-term conceptual development of a research organisation (hereinafter referred to as "LCDRO"). The total amount of institutional support toward LCDRO assigned for the implementation of GAMU projects shall be determined by the Rector.
- (4) Competitions for the support shall be announced by the Rector.
- (5) The MU Rector is entitled to restrict or stop the funding of projects in progress in the event of an unpredictable development of the university funding.
- (6) The Rector may announce specific topics or preferred focuses and further specification of conditions for individual competitions.
- (7) For the purposes of the competition, the Rector shall set indicative financial limits together with the announcement of the competition.
- (8) Project proposals and applications for support shall be submitted exclusively through the Project Management Information System (hereinafter referred to as "PMIS").
- (9) The unit responsible for the administration of the GAMU is the Research Office at the MU Rector's Office.

Section 3

Rector's Programme

- (1) Projects within the Rector's Programme are focused on the achievement of above-standard Master's theses.
- (2) The support is granted in the category Excellent Master's Theses.
- (3) The competition is further specified in Appendix 1. Detailed rules of the competition shall be regulated in each call.

Section 4

Research Support Programme

- (1) The Research Support Programme (hereinafter referred to as "RSP") aims at motivating and developing promising and effective researchers and selected research activities, increasing the research output of MU and strengthening the prestige of research work.
- (2) Support is granted in the following categories:
 - a) Horizons – Support for preparation of international grant projects
 - b) Interdisciplinary – Interdisciplinary research projects
 - c) MASH – MUNI Award in Science and Humanities
 - d) MASH JUNIOR – MUNI Award in Science and Humanities JUNIOR
 - e) Career Restart – Support for integration of researchers after a career break, mainly due to parental leave, into MU research teams
 - f) MUNI Scientist – Award for outstanding research results
- (3) The competition categories are further specified in Appendix 1. Detailed rules of each competition shall be regulated in each call.

Section 5

Transitional Provisions

- (1) This Directive shall first apply to GAMU projects approved after the effective date hereof.
- (2) The GAMU projects where the application was submitted prior to the effective date hereof and that have not been approved shall be implemented in accordance with the rules stipulated by this Directive.
- (3) The GAMU projects approved prior to the effective date hereof shall continue to be implemented in accordance with the rules stipulated by [MU Directive No. 8/2017 - Grant Agency of Masaryk University](#) of 13 September 2018, effective from 14 September 2018.

Section 6

Final Provisions

- (4) This Directive repeals MU Directive No. 8/2017 - Grant Agency of Masaryk University of 13 September 2018, effective from 14 September 2018 as per the date of termination of projects approved prior to the effective date hereof.
- (5) I authorize the vice-rector with the relevant competence under the Masaryk University Organizational Regulations to interpret the individual provisions of this Directive.
- (6) This Directive falls under the methodological procedure "Project Support (excluding structural funds and development projects)".
- (7) Compliance with this Directive shall be inspected by the vice-rector authorized under the Masaryk University Organizational Regulations.
- (8) This Directive shall enter into force on the day of its execution.
- (9) This Directive shall enter into effect on 9 September 2020.

Appendices: No. 1 Rules of the Grant Agency of MU

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