

## COMPETITIVE FUNDS

Faculty councils of Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture and Faculty of Metallurgy have brought a decision how to dispose with resources from Competitive funds.

There are four Competitive funds:

### „Conference“

Fund "Conference" is intended to support participation at international conferences. Fund is open at each (monthly) session of the Postgraduate Studies Committee.

Candidate submits following documentation:

- Request to Postgraduate Studies Committee approved by mentor, which contains following:
  - statement that PhD candidate will personally present paper
  - statement that paper is in relation with the dissertation topic (relation factor between the paper and the dissertation topic must be 1)
  - statement that participation at conference can not be financed from another sources
  - confirmation that paper is accepted (it can be mail from the organizer)
  - accepted abstract of the paper
  - pro - form invoice for participation fee (participation fee FOR Phd students) - maximum fund support is limited to 500 €
  - pro - form invoice for travel costs - maximum fund support is limited to 500 €
  - pro - form invoice for costs of accommodation (category hotel up to 3\*\*\*, except if special explanation is provided) - maximum fund support is up to 500 €

The planning period for participation at conference needs to be at least three months in advance. The plane ticket needs to be bought under the most favorable conditions as possible. Ticket price needs to include insurance from canceling the trip because of the sickness.

After the Conference, PhD candidate is obliged to submit brief report to the Postgraduate Studies Committee and enclose published paper.

If number of applications exceeds available budget, then selection will be based on the following criteria :

- Priority will be given to students of 2nd and 3rd year of doctoral study
- Priority will be given to the students that can prove that fund is their only source of financing no other sources for financing conference costs
- conference rank, measured by number of citations of proceedings of previous conferences in SCOPUS and WoS.
- number of ECTS points acquired per year of PhD study

### „Experimental research“

Fund "Experimental research" is intended for purchase of the equipment for physical experiments performed within PhD thesis. Application to the fund is open at each session of the Postgraduate Studies Committee but decision about financing will be taken **once in each semester**.

Resources for each application from the fund "Experimental research" are limited up to 10.000,00 kn.

Candidate submits following documentation:

- Request to Postgraduate Studies Committee approved from mentor, which contains following:
  - summary of the experiment for which fund support is requested
  - statement that the experiment is part of the dissertation
  - statement that the experiment can not be financed from another sources
  - planned budget of the experiment

If number of applications exceeds available budget, then selection will be based on the following criteria :

- advantage will be given to the PhD candidate, which hasn't received support from the fund
- quality of the experiment
- number of ECTS points acquired so far at PhD study (per year of the study)

After the end of the experimental research, PhD candidate needs to submit the report to the Postgraduate Studies Committee. In the publications of experimental results, it is preferably to acknowledge the support of the fund.

### **„Scholarship“**

Fund "Scholarship" is intended to cover scholarship fees. The application to the fund open at each session of the Postgraduate Studies Committee but decision about financing will be taken **once in semester**.

Candidate submits following documentation:

- Request to the Postgraduate Studies Committee, which contains following:
  - CV with list of publications
  - previous achievements on the doctoral study
  - eventual interest for participation in the lecturing at the undergraduate and graduate studies.

If the number of applications exceeds the available budget for a semester, then selection of the award will be done according to the following criteria :

- advantage will be given to the PhD candidate who hasn't received support from funds
- number of ECTS points acquired per year of PhD study

### **„Mobility“**

Fund "„Mobility“" is intended to support mobility of PhD students. The application to the fund open at each session of the Postgraduate Studies Committee but decision about financing will be taken **once in a semester**.

The Competitive fund "Mobility" will co-finance only mobility longer than 30 days, which is performed within the scope of the PhD study..

Candidate needs to submit following documentation:

- Request to the Postgraduate Studies Committee, approved by the mentor, which contains following:
  - description of the mobility for which support is requested the statement that mobility is part of the PhD study

If the available resources exceeds requested grants, then selection of candidates will be performed according to the following criteria:

- advantage will be given to the PhD candidate who hasn't received fund before
- advantage will be given to the mobility within dual PhD study (co-tutelle)
- quality of the target university/institution
- number of ECTS points acquired per year of PhD study.

Upon return from the mobility, it is necessary to submit report to the Postgraduate Studies Committee.