## **Regulations of Bulgarian National Science Fund**

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Part related to minimal requirements for evaluators of proposals

Appendix to art. 7, para. 2

Minimum requirements for the members of the Executive Board of the Fund, members of the scientific expert committees and evaluators.

- 3. The minimum requirements for evaluators in scientific areas are:
- a) minimum five scientific publications for the last five years;
- b) all the following requirements to be met during the whole career

Biological Sciences: 15 scientific publications, of which at least 10 scientific papers in journals with impact factor or impact rank, Hirsch index 6

Mathematical Sciences and Informatics: 10 scientific publications, including at least 6 scientific papers in journals with impact factor or impact rank, Hirsch index 4

Medical Sciences: 20 scientific publications, of which at least 10 scientific papers in journals with impact factor or impact rank, Hirsch index 6

Earth Sciences: 15 scientific publications, of which at least 8 scientific articles in journals with impact factor or impact rank, Hirsch index 5

Social Sciences: 1 monograph or 15 scientific publications, 15 citations

Agricultural Sciences: 15 scientific publications, of which at least 8 scientific articles in peer-reviewed journals, 10 citations

Technical Sciences: 15 scientific publications, of which at least 8 scientific articles in peer-reviewed journals, 10 citations

Physical Sciences: 15 scientific publications, of which at least 10 scientific papers in journals with impact factor or impact rank, Hirsch index 5

Chemical sciences: 15 scientific publications, of which at least 10 scientific papers in journals with impact factor or impact rank, Hirsch index 6

Humanities: 1 monograph or 15 scientific publications, 15 citations.

- 4. Scientists working in interdisciplinary areas can participate in all areas of competence, as one interdisciplinary publication may be represented in all scientific fields concerned.
- 5. Hirsch Index is validated for all publications of the scientist, according to Thomson Reuters or SCOPUS (the larger of the two).

- 6. The number of scientific publications includes:
- Publications in scientific journals with impact factor or impact rank;
- Publications in scientific journals without impact factor or impact rank in which manuscripts are reviewed;
- Studies;
- Reports from scientific conferences, published in full text;
- Patents.
- 7. Publications notified under pt. 6 must be able to be verified by the Fund through Thomson Reuters, Scopus, Google Scholar or Inspire databases, through the official pages of publishers of magazines or monographs or to be proven by the authors in another way.
- 8. The number of citations does not include citing the authors themselves or the other coauthors of the scientific publications.