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NATIONAL FUND FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF GUATEMALA

The National Fund for Science and Technology –FONACYT- is the funding mechanism that allows the National Council of Science and Technology –CONCYT- to obtain resources to manage, coordinate and finance effectively the national scientific and technological development.

GENERAL OBJECTIVE:

To finance the scientific and technological activities, projects and/or programs, oriented, leaded and coordinated by the National Council of Science and Technology –CONCYT- to contribute to the national development.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

1. To increase the quantity and the quality of the scientific and technological research with an important impact
2. in the productive activity and the development of the country
3. To establish a correct knowledge transfer to the productive sector by funding common projects with universities, research and development centers and enterprises or organizations related to the productive activity
4. To fund special research and development projects or programs to solve technological problems in the productive sector
5. To fund activities contained in the National Plan of Science and Technology
6. To support the training of human resources in science, technology and innovation

SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT OF FONACYT:

The National Council of Science and Technology, is responsible for the management and supervision of FONACYT. The National Secretariat of Science and Technology will make the formalities and the operative execution of the Fund to accomplish its programs and activities, creating the instruments, instructions, forms and guides; also for the selection, the followup and the benchmark of the projects and its results.

FUNDING LINES:

For this case, is applicable the Fund for the Scientific and Technological Development –FODECYT-.

REQUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN FINANCIAL SUPPORT

- Who can apply?

The institutions, entities and bodies of the public, private and academic sectors, individual and legal persons, regional research and development centers that carry out scientific and technological activities can benefit from the FODECYT.

ELIGIBLE COSTS FOR FUNDING

- Developing and strengthening the infrastructure for the scientific and technological research to consolidate groups of excellence in strategic sectors and areas, for the national development within a medium and long-term.
- Doing research and technological development in areas identified as primordial by the commissions, approved by CONCYT, and promote:
 - a) The improvement of the education, health, nutrition and housing conditions
 - b) The rational use of the renewable natural resources to assure their conservation, enhance and improvement
 - c) The prevention of the environmental contamination and the protection of the ecosystems
 - d) d. The link between the universities and research centers with the productive sector to solve problems that limit the quality, the competitiveness and the productivity.
 - e) Others considered by CONCYT

CONDITIONS

- Maximum time for execution: twenty four (24) months
- Maximum amount to finance: Q 400,000.00
- CONCYT will finance up to 50% of the total amount of the activity or project. However it keeps the right to change and reduce the assignments, according to the activities.
- Carry out with the regulations established in the bid
- The applications that don't fulfill the demanded requirements will be rejected
- The institutions demanding funds for the execution of projects will be registered in the National Secretariat of Science and Technology –SENACYT-
- The researchers executing projects will be registered in the National Registry of Researchers

ADDITIONAL NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR THE PROPOSAL BEYOND THE GENERAL CRITERIA IN THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE JOINT TRANSNATIONAL CALL

The following requirements must be completed for the financial support

- Certificate of registration in the National System of Science and Technology issued by the National Secretariat of Science and Technology
- Description of the impact of the activity will have at a personal, institutional and national level in the scientific and technological areas
- Financial support form completed properly with all the annexes required
- Original and two copies of the form and the annexes; and an electronic version of the project, written in Microsoft Word (last version)
- Endorse letter from the institution(s) participating directly in the execution of the program. These institutions must be registered in the SENACYT
- The application must include a quid pro quo of resources from the institutions endorsing the project and also complementary resources from other institutions, including the corresponding references

- The financial support approved by CONCYT will be restrained to a contract with the person responsible of the project, assigned by the institution that executes the activity. The contract must be formalized in the fifteen (15) following days to the notification of the acceptance of the funding.
- The persons nominated to execute the activity should assure its dedication and permanence to guarantee the fulfillment of the objectives
- The decisions and resolutions related to the CONCYT evaluation are definitive

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