CALL FOR FINANCING RESEARCH GROUPS AND BASIC UNITS IN ORDER FOR THEM TO PREPARE CALLS FOR GRANTS TO FINANCE DOCTORAL THESIS IN STRATEGIC AREAS

1. Objective

The purpose of this offer is to promote research in those fields that either for the interest of the Institution, for its novelty, or for the characteristics of the field of research that is presented, will be fostered by UPC. Once the financing proposal is accepted, we will conduct the selection process through a Call for Grants for the execution of the doctoral thesis (UPC-FPI).

2. Financing Offer

We offer 6 funding agreements for the Call for Grants to execute a doctoral thesis at UPC (UPC-FPI), to be allocated at the budget item UPC 481.00/GEN, within the UPC budget for 2010 and later years.

3. Proposals’ Requirements

The Research Group shall state in the Application the following aspects:

a) The research project to be developed.

b) The merits presented in relation to the assessment criteria of this Call.

c) The merits to be assessed in the Call for Grants to finance doctoral thesis, according to the research project to be developed, but without any consideration to the academic record, or scientific merits in general.

4. Applications’ Filing

Applications shall be filed in one of the official UPC’s registries, or through any of the procedures established in art. 38.4 of the “Llei 30/1992 de 26 de novembre”, modified by “Llei 4/1999, de Règim Jurídic de les Administracions Públiques I del procediment Administratiu Comú”, according to its standard version available at https://www.ctt.upc.edu, within the period of one month since the approval and publication of the Call, and signed by the representative of the research group or basic unit.

If an Application has to be amended, a notification shall be sent by email to the email address given by the applicant in the proposal. If the proposal is not amended within ten natural days from the day after of the email’s notification reception, it shall be interpreted as an Application’s withdrawal, according to articles articles 71.1 i 42.1 of the “Llei 30/1992, de 26 de novembre, de Règim Jurídic de les Administracions Públiques i del Procediment Administratiu Comú.”
5. Evaluation Criteria

The various proposals will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Scientific production of proven quality (type 1 PAR) for EDP average Research Group.
- Membership of a center of the IT Network or a recognized research group (SGR).
- Maximum grant for a research group.
- UPC strategic interest for the research project to develop. For evaluating this criterion, the Vice President may appoint a science policy subcommittee consisting of three people with the sole objective of making the proposal to the Committee on Research.

6. The Resolution proposals

The Vice President of Science Policy, Research Committee propose to the funding arrangements for its approval

7 Call for Grant Applications for doctoral thesis

To select candidates for the grants awarded through this call there will be a selection offer for grants addressed to achieve doctorate thesis of specific FPI-UPC modality within a maximum period of a month. The call will be made according to the criteria of equality, ability, merit and publicity among graduates at the time of acceptance of the grant are admitted to a university master to carry out the formative period of the doctorate or a PhD program of the Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya, in both cases with the ultimate goal of making the thesis, in accordance with applicable regulations and legislation.

8. Projected cost of funding for the completion of the doctoral thesis

For information, according to current data in the publication of this offer with a projected annual increase of 2%, the expected total cost during the period of 48 months is € 73,684.94.

Grant includes the additional public cost of enrollment in the official postgraduate studies (doctorate or master's degrees) and thesis supervision. In no case cover the amounts of fees or prices or the costs of academic courses totaling 60 credits in the case of master's degrees during the course of the enjoyment of the grant period. The training period will amount to € 1,762.80 and during the research period of € 105.05 annual thesis supervision.