

## **Guidelines for Candidates – 2021**

Candidates submit a research proposal in Polish or in English. The proposal (up to 10 pages) should include:

- 1) research aim and objectives (description of a problem to be solved, research questions or hypotheses);
- 2) significance of the research proposal (what is the current state of knowledge? Why is the problem worth researching? In what way is the research innovative? How will the research results contribute to the development of a given research area and scientific discipline?);
- 3) research design and plan (general research plan, specific research objectives, preliminary research findings, risk analysis);
- 4) research methodology (How will the research be carried out? What methods, techniques and research tools will be employed? How will the results be analysed and presented? What equipment will be used for research purposes?);
- 5) literature to be used and referenced as related to the proposal (a bibliography of works mentioned in the research description, with full bibliographic detail).

Description of the research proposal must contain all the points mentioned above, including reference to the literature. Failure to include any of the details listed above may result in rejecting the research proposal before the stage of content evaluation.

Maximum length: 10 A4-pages.

Recommended text formatting: top and bottom margins - min. 1.5 cm, side margins - min. 2 cm, Times New Roman or an equivalent font, font size - min. 11 pts, single interline.

The proposal description must be sent as a PDF attachment via the on-line recruitment system.

**Note: descriptions that do not meet formal requirements will not be considered;**

### **Interview**

Each candidate has a maximum of 10 minutes to present their research proposal during an interview. Candidates are allowed to send a multimedia presentation in the PDF or PPT format via the on-line recruitment system, along with the proposal.

The presentation is followed by a maximum 10-minute discussion with the evaluation committee, during which candidates answer questions about their research proposal and research interests.

The presentations and the discussions can be in Polish or in English.