



Proposal Evaluation Criteria and Scoring Guidelines

All proposals passing the desk review will proceed to further evaluation. The evaluation for technical quality and research funding will be conducted in three steps:

- **Independent Review:** 70%
- **Oral Presentation:** 15%
- **Publication Track Record:** 15%

Section	Criterion	Max Marks / Points	Weight
A. Publication (last 5 yrs, Principal Applicant only)	First / Corresponding Author	Varies (see journal table)	15%
	Co-author	Varies (see journal table)	
	Nature indexed	7 / 3.5	
	Scimago Q1	6 / 3	
	Scimago Q2	5 / 2.5	
	Scimago Q3	4 / 2	
	Scimago Q4	3 / 1.5	
	Peer-reviewed, intl indexed	2 / 1	
B. Proposal Evaluation (Independent Review)	Professional journals (ISSN)	1 / 0.5	70%
	Title	2	
	Abstract	3	
	Background	5	
	Literature review	10	
	Research gap / Problem / Rationale	5	
	Hypothesis	2	
	Objectives	3	
	Methodology	16	
	Expected outcome	4	
	Application	4	
	Relevance to UN SDGs	2	
	English quality	4	
	Originality	3	
	Feasibility	2	

	Deliverables	2	
	Planning & milestones	2	
	Budget plan	1	
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C. Proposal Presentation	Clarity of concept & content	7	15%
	Fluency & timing	3	
	Response to questions	5	
		100	100%
Total Score (A + B + C)			
Pass Criteria	Section B $\geq 35/70$ & Aggregate $\geq 50/100$		

Note:

All proposals will be evaluated anonymously, with any plagiarism leading to immediate disqualification. The evaluation criteria have been established in accordance with the university's PURC guidelines.